

Smart Licensing Using Policy

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Introduction to Smart Licensing Using Policy

Smart Licensing Using Policy is an enhanced version of Smart Licensing, with the overarching objective of providing a licensing solution that does not interrupt the operations of your network, rather, one that enables a compliance relationship to account for the hardware and software licenses you purchase and use.

Smart Licensing Using Policy is supported starting with Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a.

The primary benefits of this enhanced licensing model are:

• Seamless day-0 operations

After a license is ordered, no preliminary steps, such as registration or generation of keys etc., are required unless you use an export-controlled or enforced license. There are no export-controlled or enforced licenses on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers and product features can be configured on the device right-away.

• Consistency in Cisco IOS XE

Campus and industrial ethernet switching, routing, and wireless devices that run Cisco IOS XE software, have a uniform licensing experience.

· Visibility and manageability

Tools, telemetry and product tagging, to know what is in-use.

• Flexible, time series reporting to remain compliant

Easy reporting options are available, whether you are directly or indirectly connected to Cisco Smart Software Manager (CSSM), or in an air-gapped network.

This document provides conceptual, configuration, and troubleshooting information for Smart Licensing Using Policy on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers.

For a more detailed overview on Cisco Licensing, go to cisco.com/go/licensingguide.

Information About Smart Licensing Using Policy

This section provides conceptual information about Smart Licensing Using Policy, supported products, an overview of each supported topology, and explains how Smart Licensing Using Policy interacts, with other features.

Overview

Smart Licensing Using Policy is a software license management solution that provides a seamless experience with the various aspects of licensing.

 Purchase licenses: Purchase licenses through the existing channels and use the Cisco Smart Software Manager (CSSM) portal to view product instances and licenses.



Note

To simplify your implementation of Smart Licensing Using Policy, provide your Smart Account and Virtual Account information when placing an order for new hardware or software. This allows Cisco to install applicable policies and authorization codes (terms explained in the Concepts, on page 6 section below), at the time of manufacturing.

- Use: All licenses on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers are unenforced. This means that you do not have to complete any licensing-specific operations, such as registering or generating keys before you start using the software and the licenses that are tied to it. License usage is recorded on your device with timestamps and the required workflows can be completed at a later date.
- Report license usage to CSSM: Multiple options are available for license usage reporting. You can use
 Cisco Smart Licensing Utility (CSLU), or report usage information directly to CSSM. For air-gapped
 networks, a provision for offline reporting where you download usage information and upload it to CSSM,
 is also available. The usage report is in plain text XML format. See: Sample Resource Utilization
 Measurement Report, on page 99.
- Reconcile: For situations where delta billing applies (purchased versus consumed).

Supported Products

This section provides information about the Cisco IOS-XE product instances that support Smart Licensing Using Policy. All models (Product IDs or PIDs) in a product series are supported – unless indicated otherwise.

Table 1: Supported Product Instances: Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers

Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers	When Support for Smart Licensing Using Policy was Introduced
Cisco Catalyst 9800-40 Wireless Controller	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a

Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers	When Support for Smart Licensing Using Policy was Introduced
Cisco Catalyst 9800-L Wireless Controller	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a
Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a
Cisco Catalyst 9800 embedded Wireless Controller	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a
Cisco Embedded Wireless Controller on Cisco Catalyst 9100 Access Points (EWC-AP)	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a

Architecture

This section explains the various components that can be part of your implementation of Smart Licensing Using Policy. One or more components make up a topology.

Product Instance

A product instance is a single instance of a Cisco product, identified by a Unique Device Identifier (UDI).

A product instance records and reports license usage (RUM reports), and provides alerts and system messages about overdue reports, communication failures, etc. RUM reports and usage data are securely stored in the product instance.

Throughout this document, the term *product instance* refers to all supported physical and virtual product instances - unless noted otherwise. For information about the product instances that are within the scope of this document, see Supported Products, on page 2.

CSLU

Cisco Smart License Utility (CSLU) is a Windows-based reporting utility that provides aggregate licensing workflows. This utility performs the following key functions:

- Provides options relating to how workflows are triggered. The workflows can be triggered by CSLU or by a product instance.
- Collects usage reports from one or more product instances and uploads these usage reports to the corresponding Smart Account or Virtual Account online, or offline, using files. Similarly, the RUM report ACK is collected online, or offline, and sent back to the product instance.
- Sends authorization code requests to CSSM and receives authorization codes from CSSM, if applicable.

CSLU can be part of your implementation in the following ways:

- Install the windows application, to use CSLU as a standalone tool that is connected to CSSM.
- Install the windows application, to use CSLU as a standalone tool that is disconnected from CSSM. With this option, the required usage information is downloaded to a file and then uploaded to CSSM. This is suited to air-gapped networks.
- Embedded (by Cisco) in a controller such as Cisco DNA Center.

CSSM

Cisco Smart Software Manager (CSSM) is a portal that enables you to manage all your Cisco software licenses from a centralized location. CSSM helps you manage current requirements and review usage trends to plan for future license requirements.

You can access the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com. Under the **License** tab, click the **Smart Software Licensing** link.

See the Supported Topologies, on page 10 section to know about the different ways in which you can connect to CSSM

In CSSM you can:

- Create, manage, or view virtual accounts.
- Create and manage Product Instance Registration Tokens.
- Transfer licenses between virtual accounts or view licenses.
- Transfer, remove, or view product instances.
- Run reports against your virtual accounts.
- Modify your email notification settings.
- View overall account information.

Controller

A management application or service that manages multiple product instances.



Note

Throughout this chapter, and in the context of Smart Licensing Using Policy, the term "controller" or "Controller" always means a management application or service that manages a product instance. The term is not used to refer to Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers, which are *product instances*.

On Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers, Cisco DNA Center is the supported controller. Information about the controller, product instances that support the controller, and minimum required software versions on the controller and on the product instance is provided below:

Table 2: Support Information for Controller: Cisco DNA Center

Minimum Required Cisco DNA Center Version for Smart Licensing Using Policy ¹	Minimum Required Cisco IOS XE Version ²	Supported Product Instances
Cisco DNA Center Release 2.2.2	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a	Cisco Catalyst 9800-40 Wireless Controller
		Cisco Catalyst 9800-80 Wireless Controller
		Cisco Catalyst 9800-L Wireless Controller
		Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller
		Cisco Catalyst 9800 embedded Wireless Controller
		Cisco Embedded Wireless Controller on Cisco Catalyst 9100 Access Points (EWC-AP)

¹ The minimum required software version on the controller. This means support continues on all subsequent releases - unless noted otherwise

For more information about Cisco DNA Center, see the support page at: https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/cloud-systems-management/dna-center/series.html.

SSM On-Prem

Smart Software Manager On-Prem (SSM On-Prem) is an asset manager, which works in conjunction with CSSM. It enables you to administer products and licenses on your premises instead of having to directly connect to CSSM.

Information about the required software versions to implement Smart Licensing Using Policy with SSM On-Prem, is provided below:

The minimum required software version on the product instance. This means support continues on all subsequent releases - unless noted otherwise.

Minimum Required SSM On-Prem Version for Smart Licensing Using Policy ³		Supported Product Instances
Version 8, Release 202102	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.3	Cisco Catalyst 9800-40 Wireless Controller Cisco Catalyst 9800-80 Wireless Controller Cisco Catalyst 9800-L Wireless Controller Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller Cisco Catalyst 9800 embedded Wireless Controller Cisco Embedded Wireless Controller on Cisco Catalyst 9100 Access Points (EWC-AP)

The minimum required SSM On-Prem version. This means support continues on all subsequent releases - unless noted otherwise

For more information about SSM On-Prem, see Smart Software Manager On-Prem on the Software Download page. Hover over the .iso image to display the documentation links.

Concepts

This section explains the key concepts of Smart Licensing Using Policy.

License Enforcement Types

A given license belongs to one of three enforcement types. The enforcement type indicates if the license requires authorization before use, or not.

· Unenforced or Not Enforced

Unenforced licenses *do not* require authorization before use in air-gapped networks, or registration, in connected networks. The terms of use for such licenses are as per the General Terms and Conditions.

All licenses available on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers are unenforced licenses.

Enforced

Licenses that belong to this enforcement type require authorization before use. The required authorization is in the form of an authorization code, which must be installed in the corresponding product instance.

An example of an enforced license is the Media Redundancy Protocol (MRP) Client license, which is available on Cisco's Industrial Ethernet Switches.

⁴ The minimum required software version on the product instance. This means support continues on all subsequent releases - unless noted otherwise.

· Export-Controlled

Licences that belong to this enforcement type are export-restricted by U.S. trade-control laws and these licenses require authorization before use. The required authorization code must be installed in the corresponding product instance for these licenses as well. Cisco may pre-install export-controlled licenses when ordered with hardware purchase.

An example of an export-controlled license is the High Speed Encryption (HSECK9) license, which is available on certain Cisco Routers.

License Duration

This refers to the duration or term for which a purchased license is valid. A given license may belong to any one of the enforcement types mentioned above and be valid for the following durations:

- Perpetual: There is no expiration date for such a license.
- AIR Network Essentials and AIR Network Advantage licenses are examples of unenforced, perpetual licenses that are available on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers.
- Subscription: The license is valid only until a certain date.

AIR Digital Network Architecture (DNA) Essentials and AIR DNA Advantage licenses are examples of unenforced subscription licenses that are available on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers.

Authorization Code

The Smart Licensing Authorization Code (SLAC) allows activation and continued use of a license that is export-controlled or enforced.

A SLAC is not required for any of the licenses available on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers, but if you are upgrading from an earlier licensing model to Smart Licensing Using Policy, you may have a Specific License Reservation (SLR) with its own authorization code. The SLR authorization code is supported after upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy.



Note

While existing SLRs are carried over after upgrade, you cannot request a new SLR in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment, because the notion of "reservation" does not apply. For an air-gapped network, the No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU topology applies instead

For more information about how the SLR authorization code is handled, see Upgrades, on page 21. If you want to return an SLR authorization code, see Removing and Returning an Authorization Code, on page 86.

Policy

A policy provides the product instance with these reporting instructions:

- License usage report acknowledgement requirement (Reporting ACK required): The license usage report
 is known as a RUM Report and the acknowledgement is referred to as an ACK (See RUM Report and
 Report Acknowledgement). This is a yes or no value which specifies if the report for this product instance
 requires CSSM acknowledgement or not. The default policy is always set to "yes".
- First report requirement (days): The first report must be sent within the duration specified here. If the value here is zero, no first report is required.

- Reporting frequency (days): The subsequent report must be sent within the duration specified here. If the value here is zero, it means no further reporting is required *unless* there is a usage change.
- Report on change (days): In case of a change in license usage, a report must be sent within the duration specified here.

If the value here is zero, no report is required on usage change.

If the value here is not zero, reporting *is* required after the change is made. All the scenarios listed below count as changes in license usage on the product instance:

- Changing licenses consumed (includes changing to a different license, and, adding or removing a license).
- Going from consuming zero licenses to consuming one or more licenses.
- Going from consuming one or more licenses to consuming zero licenses.



Note

If a product instance has *never* consumed a license, reporting is not required even if the policy has a non-zero value for any of the reporting requirements (First report requirement, Reporting frequency, Report on change).

Understanding Policy Selection

CSSM determines the policy that is applied to a product instance. Only one policy is in use at a given point in time. The policy and its values are based on a number of factors, including the licenses being used.

cisco default is the default policy that is always available in the product instance. If no other policy is applied, the product instance applies this default policy. The table below (Table 3: Policy: Cisco default, on page 8) shows the cisco default policy values.

While you cannot configure a policy, you can request for a customized one, by contacting the Cisco Global Licensing Operations team. Go to Support Case Manager. Click OPEN NEW CASE > Select Software Licensing. The licensing team will contact you to start the process or for any additional information. Customized policies are also made available through your Smart account in CSSM.



Note

To know which policy is applied (the policy in-use) and its reporting requirements, enter the **show license all** command in privileged EXEC mode.

Table 3: Policy: Cisco default

Policy: Cisco defa	ault	Default Policy Values
Export (Perpetual/S	Subscription)	Reporting ACK required: Yes
with en	ed only to licenses nforcement type rt-Controlled".	First report requirement (days): 0 Reporting frequency (days): 0 Report on change (days): 0

Policy: c	isco default	Default Policy Values
Enforced	(Perpetual/Subscription)	Reporting ACK required: Yes
Note	Applied only to licenses with enforcement type "Enforced".	First report requirement (days): 0 Reporting frequency (days): 0 Report on change (days): 0
Unenforc	ed/Non-Export Perpetual ⁵	Reporting ACK required: Yes First report requirement (days): 365 Reporting frequency (days): 0 Report on change (days): 90
Unenforc	ed/Non-Export Subscription	Reporting ACK required: Yes First report requirement (days): 90 Reporting frequency (days): 90 Report on change (days): 90

For Unenforced/Non-Export Perpetual: the default policy's first report requirement (within 365 days) applies only if you have purchased hardware or software from a distributor or partner.

RUM Report and Report Acknowledgement

A Resource Utilization Measurement report (RUM report) is a license usage report, which fulfils reporting requirements as specified by the policy. RUM reports are generated by the product instance and consumed by CSSM. The product instance records license usage information and all license usage changes in an open RUM report. At system-determined intervals, open RUM reports are closed and new RUM reports are opened to continue recording license usage. A closed RUM report is ready to be sent to CSSM.

A RUM acknowledgement (RUM ACK or ACK) is a response from CSSM and provides information about the status of a RUM report.

The reporting method, that is, how a RUM report is sent to CSSM, depends on the topology you implement.

CSSM displays license usage information as per the last received RUM report.

A RUM report may be accompanied by other requests, such as a trust code request, or a SLAC request. So in addition to the RUM report IDs that have been received, an ACK from CSSM may include authorization codes, trust codes, and policy files.

The policy that is applied to a product instance determines the following aspects of the reporting requirement:

- Whether a RUM report is sent to CSSM and the maximum number of days provided to meet this requirement.
- Whether the RUM report requires an acknowledgement (ACK) from CSSM.
- The maximum number of days provided to report a change in license consumption.

Trust Code

A UDI-tied public key, which the product instance uses to

- Sign a RUM report. This prevents tampering and ensures data authenticity.
- Enable secure communication with CSSM.

If a trust code is installed on the product instance, the output of the **show license status** command displays a timestamp in the Trust Code Installed: field.

Supported Topologies

This section describes the various ways in which you can implement Smart Licensing Using Policy. For each topology, refer to the accompanying overview to know the how the set-up is designed to work, and refer to the considerations and recommendations, if any.

After Topology Selection

After you have selected a topology, see How to Configure Smart Licensing Using Policy: Workflows by Topology, on page 25. These workflows are only for new deployments. They provide the simplest and fastest way to implement a topology.

If you are migrating from an existing licensing model, see Migrating to Smart Licensing Using Policy, on page 38.

After initial implementation, for any additional configuration tasks you have to perform, for instance, changing the AIR license, or synchronizing RUM reports, see the *Task Library for Smart Licensing Using Policy*.



Note

Always check the "Supported topologies" where provided, before you proceed.

Connected to CSSM Through CSLU

Overview:

Here, product instances in the network are connected to CSLU, and CSLU becomes the single point of interface with CSSM. A product instance can be configured to *push* the required information to CSLU. Alternatively, CSLU can be set-up to *pull* the required information from a product instance at a configurable frequency.

Product instance-initiated communication (push): A product instance initiates communication with CSLU, by connecting to a REST endpoint in CSLU. Data that is sent includes RUM reports and requests for authorization codes, UDI-tied trust codes, and policies. You can configure the product instance to automatically send RUM reports to CSLU at required intervals. This is the default method for a product instance.

CSLU-initiated communication (pull): To initiate the retrieval of information from a product instance, CSLU uses NETCONF, or RESTCONF, or gRPC with YANG models, or native REST APIs, to connect to the product instance. Supported workflows include retrieving RUM reports from the product instance and sending the same to CSSM, authorization code installation, UDI-tied trust code installation, and application of policies.

Product Instance

Windows or Linux Host

Product Instance

Figure 1: Topology: Connected to CSSM Through CSLU

Considerations or Recommendations:

Choose the method of communication depending on your network's security policy.

Release-Wise Changes and Enhancements:

This section outlines important release-wise software changes and enhancements that affect this topology.

• RUM report throttling

In the product instance-initiated mode, the minimum reporting frequency is throttled to one day. This means the product instance does not send more than one RUM report a day. This resolves the problem of too many RUM reports being generated and sent for certain licenses. It also resolves the memory-related issues and system slow-down caused by an excessive generation of RUM reports.

You can override the throttling restriction by entering the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode.

RUM report throttling applies to the Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.6 and later releases of the 17.3.x train.

Where to Go Next:

To implement this topology, see Workflow for Topology: Connected to CSSM Through CSLU, on page 25.

Connected Directly to CSSM

Overview:

This topology is available in the earlier version of Smart Licensing and continues to be supported with Smart Licensing Using Policy.

Here, you establish a *direct* and *trusted* connection from a product instance to CSSM. The direct connection, requires network reachability to CSSM. For the product instance to then exchange messages and communicate with CSSM, configure one of the transport options available with this topology (described below). Lastly, the

establishment of trust requires the generation of a token from the corresponding Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM, and installation on the product instance.

You can configure a product instance to communicate with CSSM in the following ways:

• Use Smart transport to communicate with CSSM

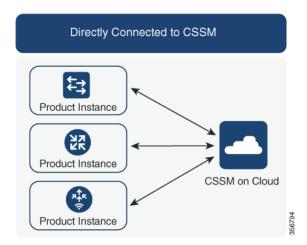
Smart transport is a transport method where a Smart Licensing (JSON) message is contained within an HTTPs message, and exchanged between a product instance and CSSM, to communicate. The following Smart transport configuration options are available:

- Smart transport: In this method, a product instance uses a specific Smart transport licensing server URL. This must be configured exactly as shown in the workflow section.
- Smart transport through an HTTPs proxy: In this method, a product instance uses a proxy server to communicate with the licensing server, and eventually, CSSM.
- Use Call Home to communicate with CSSM.

Call Home provides e-mail-based and web-based notification of critical system events. This method of connecting to CSSM is available in the earlier Smart Licensing environment, and continues to be available with Smart Licensing Using Policy. The following Call Home configuration options are available:

- Direct cloud access: In this method, a product instance sends usage information directly over the internet to CSSM; no additional components are needed for the connection.
- Direct cloud access through an HTTPs proxy: In this method, a product instance sends usage information over the internet through a proxy server either a Call Home Transport Gateway or an off-the-shelf proxy (such as Apache) to CSSM.

Figure 2: Topology: Connected Directly to CSSM



Considerations or Recommendations:

Smart transport is the recommended transport method when directly connecting to CSSM. This recommendation applies to:

- New deployments.
- Earlier licensing models. Change configuration after migration to Smart Licensing Using Policy.

- Registered licenses that currently use the Call Home transport method. Change configuration after migration to Smart Licensing Using Policy.
- Evaluation or expired licenses in an earlier licensing model. Change configuration after migration to Smart Licensing Using Policy.

To change configuration after migration, see Workflow for Topology: Connected Directly to CSSM, on page 27 > Product Instance Configuration > Configure a connection method and transport type > Option 1.

Release-Wise Changes and Enhancements:

This section outlines important release-wise software changes and enhancements that affect this topology.

• RUM report throttling

The minimum reporting frequency for this topology, is throttled to one day. This means the product instance does not send more than one RUM report a day. This resolves the problem of too many RUM reports being generated and sent for certain licenses. It also resolves the memory-related issues and system slow-down caused by an excessive generation of RUM reports.

You can override the throttling restriction by entering the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode.

RUM report throttling applies to the Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.6 and later releases of the 17.3.x train.

Where to Go Next:

To implement this topology, see Workflow for Topology: Connected Directly to CSSM, on page 27.

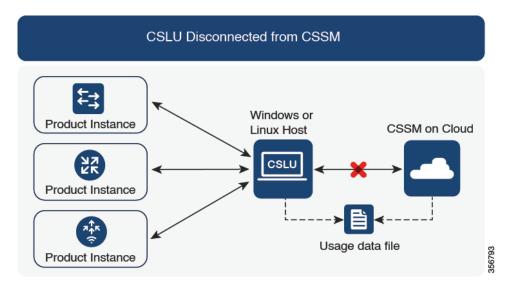
CSLU Disconnected from CSSM

Overview:

Here, a product instance communicates with CSLU, and you have the option of implementing product instance-initiated communication or CSLU-initiated communication (as in the *Connected to CSSM Through CSLU* topology). The other side of the communication, between CSLU and CSSM, is offline. CSLU provides you with the option of working in a mode that is disconnected from CSSM.

Communication between CSLU and CSSM is sent and received in the form of signed files that are saved offline and then uploaded to or downloaded from CSLU or CSSM, as the case may be.

Figure 3: Topology: CSLU Disconnected from CSSM



Considerations or Recommendations:

Choose the method of communication depending on your network's security policy.

Release-Wise Changes and Enhancements:

This section outlines important release-wise software changes and enhancements that affect this topology.

• RUM report throttling

In the product instance-initiated mode, the minimum reporting frequency is throttled to one day. This means the product instance does not send more than one RUM report a day. This resolves the problem of too many RUM reports being generated and sent for certain licenses. It also resolves the memory-related issues and system slow-down caused by an excessive generation of RUM reports.

You can override the throttling restriction by entering the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode.

RUM report throttling applies to the Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.6 and later releases of the 17.3.x train.

Where to Go Next:

To implement this topology, see Workflow for Topology: CSLU Disconnected from CSSM, on page 29.

Connected to CSSM Through a Controller

When you use a controller to manage a product instance, the controller connects to CSSM, and is the interface for all communication to and from CSSM. The supported controller for Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers is Cisco DNA Center.

Overview:

If a product instance is managed by Cisco DNA Center as the controller, the product instance records license usage and saves the same, but it is the Cisco DNA Center that initiates communication with the product instance to retrieve RUM reports, report to CSSM, and return the ACK for installation on the product instance.

All product instances that must be managed by Cisco DNA Center must be part of its inventory and must be assigned to a site. Cisco DNA Center uses the NETCONF protocol to provision configuration and retrieve the required information from the product instance - the product instance must therefore have NETCONF enabled, to facilitate this.

In order to meet reporting requirements, Cisco DNA Center retrieves the applicable policy from CSSM and provides the following reporting options:

- Ad hoc reporting: You can trigger an ad hoc report when required.
- Scheduled reporting: Corresponds with the reporting frequency specified in the policy and is automatically handled by Cisco DNA Center.



Note

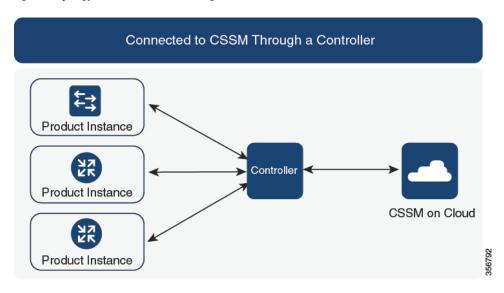
Ad hoc reporting must be performed at least once before a product instance is eligible for scheduled reporting.

The first ad hoc report enables Cisco DNA Center to determine the Smart Account and Virtual Account to which subsequent RUM reports must be uploaded. You will receive notifications if ad hoc reporting for a product instance has not been performed even once.

Cisco DNA Center also enables you to install and remove SLAC for export-controlled licenses. Since all available licenses on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers are unenforced licenses, SLAC installation and removal do not apply.

A trust code is *not* required.

Figure 4: Topology: Connected to CSSM Through a Controller



Considerations or Recommendations:

This is the recommended topology if you are using Cisco DNA Center.

Where to Go Next:

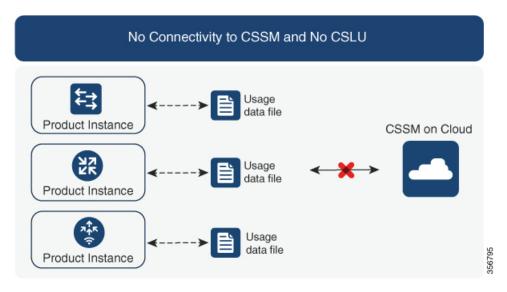
To implement this topology, see Workflow for Topology: Connected to CSSM Through a Controller, on page 31.

No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU

Overview:

Here you have a product instance and CSSM disconnected from each other, and without any other intermediary utilities or components. All communication is in the form of uploaded and downloaded files. These files can be RUM reports .

Figure 5: Topology: No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU



Considerations or Recommendations:

This topology is suited to a high-security deployment where a product instance cannot communicate online, with anything outside its network.

Where to Go Next:

To implement this topology, see Workflow for Topology: No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU, on page 32.

SSM On-Prem Deployment

Overview:

SSM On-Prem is designed to work as an extension of CSSM that is deployed on your premises.

Here, a product instance is connected to SSM On-Prem, and SSM On-Prem becomes the single point of interface with CSSM. Each instance of SSM On-Prem must be made known to CSSM through a mandatory registration and synchronization of the local account in SSM On-Prem, with a Virtual Account in CSSM.

When you deploy SSM On-Prem to manage a product instance, the product instance can be configured to *push* the required information to SSM On-Prem. Alternatively, SSM On-Prem can be set-up to *pull* the required information from a product instance at a configurable frequency.

 Product instance-initiated communication (push): The product instance initiates communication with SSM On-Prem, by connecting to a REST endpoint in SSM On-Prem. Data that is sent includes RUM reports and requests for authorization codes, trust codes, and policies.

Options for communication between the product instance and SSM On-Prem in this mode:

- Use a CLI command to push information to SSM On-Prem as and when required.
- Use a CLI command and configure a reporting interval, to automatically send RUM reports to SSM On-Prem at a scheduled frequency.
- SSM On-Prem-initiated communication (pull): To initiate the retrieval of information from a product instance, SSM On-Prem NETCONF, RESTCONF, and native REST API options, to connect to the product instance. Supported workflows include receiving RUM reports from the product instance and sending the same to CSSM, authorization code installation, trust code installation, and application of policies.

Options for communication between the product instance and SSM On-Prem in this mode:

- Collect usage information from one or more product instances as and when required (on-demand).
- Collect usage information from one or more product instances at a scheduled frequency.

In SSM On-Prem, the reporting interval is set to the default policy on the product instance. You can change this, but only to report more frequently (a narrower interval), or you can install a custom policy if available.

After usage information is available in SSM On-Prem, you must synchronize the same with CSSM, to ensure that the product instance count, license count and license usage information is the same on both, CSSM and SSM On-Prem. Options for usage synchronization between SSM On-Prem and CSSM – for the push *and* pull mode:

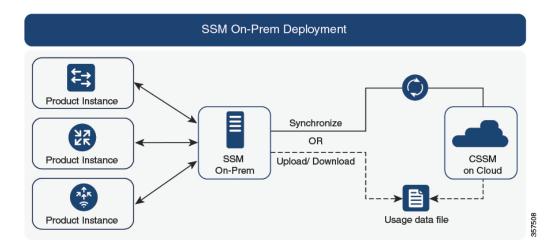
- Perform ad-hoc synchronization with CSSM (Synchronize now with Cisco).
- Schedule synchronization with CSSM for specified times.
- Communicate with CSSM through signed files that are saved offline and then upload to or download from SSM On-Prem or CSSM, as the case may be.



Note

This topology involves two different kinds of synchronization between SSM On-Prem and CSSM. The first is where the *local account* is synchronized with CSSM - this is for the SSM On-Prem instance to be known to CSSM and is performed by using the **Synchronization** widget in SSM On-Prem. The second is where *license usage* is synchronized with CSSM, either by being connected to CSSM or by downloading and uploading files. You must synchronize the local account before you can synchronize license usage.

Figure 6: Topology: SSM On-Prem Deployment



Considerations or Recommendations:

This topology is suited to the following situations:

- If you want to manage your product instances on your premises, as opposed communicating directly with CSSM for this purpose.
- If your company's policies prevent your product instances from reporting license usage directly to Cisco (CSSM).
- If your product instances are in an air-gapped network and cannot communicate online, with anything outside their network.

Apart from support for Smart Licensing Using Policy, some of the key benefits of SSM On-Prem *Version 8* include:

• Multi-tenancy: One tenant constitutes one Smart Account-Virtual Account pair. SSM On-Prem enables you to manage multiple pairs. Here you create local accounts that reside in SSM On-Prem. Multiple local accounts roll-up to a Smart Account-Virtual Account pair in CSSM. For more information, see the Cisco Smart Software Manager On-Prem User Guide > About Accounts and Local Virtual Accounts.



Note

The relationship between CSSM and SSM On-Prem instances is still one-to-one.

- Scale: Supports up to a total of 300,000 product instances
- High-Availability: Enables you to run two SSM On-Prem servers in the form of an active-standby cluster. For more information, see the Cisco Smart Software On-Prem Installation Guide > Appendix 4. Managing a High Availability (HA) Cluster in Your System.

High-Availability deployment is supported on the SSM On-Prem console and the required command details are available in the Cisco Smart Software On-Prem Console Guide.

Options for online and offline connectivity to CSSM.

SSM On-Prem Limitations:

- Proxy support for communication with CSSM, for the purpose of *license usage* synchronization is available only from Version 8 202108 onwards. The use of a proxy for *local account* synchronization, which is performed by using the **Synchronization** widget, is available from the introductory SSM On-Prem release where Smart Licensing Using Policy is supported.
- SSM On-Prem-initiated communication is not supported on a product instance that is in a Network Address Translation (NAT) set-up. You must use product instance-initiated communication, and further, you must *enable* SSM On-Prem to support a product instance that is in a NAT setup. Details are provided in the workflow for this topology.

Release-Wise Changes and Enhancements:

This section outlines important release-wise software changes and enhancements that affect this topology.

From Cisco IOS XE Cupertino 17.9.1:

RUM report throttling

In the product instance-initiated mode, the minimum reporting frequency is throttled to one day. This means the product instance does not send more than one RUM report a day. This resolves the problem of too many RUM reports being generated and sent for certain licenses. It also resolves the memory-related issues and system slow-down caused by an excessive generation of RUM reports.

You can override the throttling restriction by entering the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode.

RUM report throttling applies to the Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.6 and later releases of the 17.3.x train.

Where to Go Next:

To implement this topology, see Workflow for Topology: SSM On-Prem Deployment, on page 33

If you are migrating from an existing version of SSM On-Prem, the sequence in which you perform the various upgrade-related activities is crucial. See Migrating to a Version of SSM On-Prem That Supports Smart Licensing Using Policy, on page 57

Interactions with Other Features

High Availability

This section explains considerations that apply to a High Availability configuration, when running a software version that supports Smart Licensing Using Policy. The following High Availability set-ups are within the scope of this document:

A dual-chassis set-up (could be fixed or modular), with the active in one chassis and a standby in the other chassis.

A wireless N+1 topology, where "n" number of wireless controllers act as primary and a "+1" wireless controller acts as the secondary or fallback wireless controller for Access Points (APs). Each Access Point is configured with a primary and a secondary wireless controller. In case of a failure on the primary, all access points that were connected to the primary now fallback to the secondary wireless controller.

Trust Code Requirements in a High Availability Set-Up

The number of trust codes required depends on the number of UDIs. The active product instance can submit requests for all devices in the High Availability set-up and install all the trust codes that are returned in an ACK.

Policy Requirements in a High Availability Set-Up

There are no policy requirements that apply exclusively to a High Availability set-up. As in the case of a standalone product instance, only one policy exists in a High Availability set-up as well, and this is on the active. The policy on the active applies to any standbys in the set-up.

Product Instance Functions in a High Availability Set-Up

This section explains general product instance functions in a High Availability set-up, as well as what the product instance does when a new standby or secondary is added to an existing High Available set-up.

For authorization and trust codes: The active product instance can request (if required) and install authorization codes and trust codes for standbys.

For policies: The active product instance synchronizes with the standby.

For reporting: Only the active product instance reports usage. The active reports usage information for all devices in the High Availability set-up. In addition to scheduled reporting, the following events trigger reporting:

- The addition or removal of a standby. The RUM report includes information about the standby that was added or removed.
- · A switchover.
- · A reload.

When one of the above events occur, the "Next report push" date of the **show license status** privileged EXEC command is updated. But it is the implemented topology and associated reporting method that determine if the report is sent by the product instance or not. For example, if you have implemented a topology where the product instance is disconnected (Transport Type is Off), then the product instance does not send RUM reports even if the "Next report push" date is updated.

For addition or removal of a new standby:

- A product instance that is connected to CSLU, does not take any further action.
- A product instance that is directly connected to CSSM, performs trust synchronization. Trust synchronization involves the following:

Installation of trust code on the standby if not installed already.

If a trust code is already installed, the trust synchronization process ensures that the new standby is in the same Smart Account and Virtual Account as the active. If it is not, the new standby is *moved* to the same Smart Account and Virtual Account as the active.

Installation of an authorization code, policy, and purchase information, if applicable

Sending of a RUM report with current usage information.

For addition or removal of a secondary:

There are no product instance functions that apply exclusively to the addition or removal of a secondary product instance. Further, all the secondary product instances are in the same Smart Account and Virtual Account as the primary product instance.

Upgrades

This section describes how upgrade or migration to Smart Licensing Using Policy is handled. It clarifies how Smart Licensing Using Policy handles all earlier licensing models including: the earlier version of Smart Licensing, Specific License Reservation (SLR), and how evaluation or expired licenses from any of the earlier licensing models.

To migrate to Smart Licensing Using Policy, you must upgrade to a software version that supports Smart Licensing Using Policy. After you upgrade, Smart Licensing Using Policy is the only supported licensing model and the product instance continues to operate *without any licensing changes*. The Migrating to Smart Licensing Using Policy, on page 38 section provides details and examples for migration scenarios that apply to Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers.

Device-led conversion is not supported for migration to Smart Licensing Using Policy.

Identifying the Current Licensing Model Before Upgrade

Before you upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy, if you want to know the current licensing model that is effective on the product instance, enter the **show license all** command in privileged EXEC mode.

How Upgrade Affects Enforcement Types for Existing Licenses

When you upgrade to a software version which supports Smart Licensing Using Policy, the way existing licenses are handled, depends primarily on the license enforcement type.

- An unenforced license that was being used before upgrade, continues to be available after the upgrade. All licenses on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers are unenforced licenses. This includes licenses from all earlier licensing models:
 - Smart Licensing
 - Specific License Reservation (SLR), which has an accompanying authorization code. The authorization code continues to be valid after upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy and authorizes existing license consumption.
 - Evaluation or expired licenses from any of the above mentioned licensing models.
- An enforced or export-controlled license that was being used before upgrade, continues to be available after upgrade if the required authorization exists.

There are no export-controlled or enforced licenses on any of the supported Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers, therefore, these enforcement types and the requisite SLAC do not apply.

How Upgrade Affects Reporting for Existing Licenses

Existing License	Reporting Requirements After Migration to Smart Licensing Using Policy
Specific License Reservation (SLR)	Required only if there is a change in license consumption. An existing SLR authorization code authorizes existing license consumption after upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy.

Existing License	Reporting Requirements After Migration to Smart Licensing Using Policy
Smart Licensing (Registered and Authorized license)	Depends on the policy.
Evaluation or expired licenses	Based on the reporting requirements of the Cisco default policy.

How Upgrade Affects Transport Type for Existing Licenses

The transport type, if configured in your existing set-up, is retained after upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy.

When compared to the earlier version of Smart Licensing, additional transport types are available with Smart Licensing Using Policy. There is also a change in the default transport mode. The following table clarifies how this may affect upgrades:

Transport type Before Upgrade	License or License State Before Upgrade	Transport Type After Upgrade
Default (callhome)	evaluation	cslu (default in Smart Licensing Using Policy)
	SLR	off
	registered	callhome
smart	evaluation	off
	SLR	off
	registered	smart

How Upgrade Affects the Token Registration Process

In the earlier version of Smart Licensing, a token was used to register and connect to CSSM. ID token registration is not required in Smart Licensing Using Policy. The token generation feature is still available in CSSM, and is used to *establish trust* when a product instance is directly connected to CSSM. See Connected Directly to CSSM.

Downgrades

To downgrade, you must downgrade the software version on the product instance. This section provides information about downgrades for new deployments and existing deployments (you upgraded to Smart Licensing Using Policy and now want to downgrade).

New Deployment Downgrade

This section describes considerations and actions that apply if a newly purchased product instance with a software version where Smart Licensing Using Policy is enabled by default, is downgraded to a software version where Smart Licensing Using Policy is not supported.

The outcome of the downgrade depends on whether a trust code was installed while still operating in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment, and further action may be required depending on the release you downgrade to.

If the topology you implemented while in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment was "Connected Directly to CSSM", then a trust code installation can be expected or assumed, because it is required as part of topology implementation. For any of the other topologies, trust establishment is not mandatory. Downgrading product instances with one of these other topologies will therefore mean that you have to restore licenses to a registered and authorized state by following the procedures that are applicable in the Smart Licensing environment. See the table (*Outcome and Action for New Deployment Downgrade to Smart Licensing*) below.

Table 4: Outcome and Action for New Deployment Downgrade to Smart Licensing

In the Smart Licensing Using Policy Environment	Downgrade to	Outcome and Further Action
Standalone product instance, connected directly to CSSM, and trust established.	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.1 OR Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.12.4 and later releases in Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.12.x	No further action is required. The product instance attempts to renew trust with CSSM after downgrade. After a successful renewal, licenses are in a registered state and the earlier version of Smart Licensing is effective on the product instance.
	Any other release (other than the ones mentioned in the row above) that supports Smart Licensing	Action is required: You must reregister the product instance. Generate an ID token in the CSSM Web UI and on the product instance, configure the license smart register idtoken idtoken command in global configuration mode.
High Availability set-up, connected directly to CSSM, and trust established.	Any release that supports Smart Licensing	Action is required: You must reregister the product instance. Generate an ID token in the CSSM Web UI and on the product instance, configure the license smart register idtoken idtoken all command in global configuration mode.
Any other topology. (Connected to CSSM Through CSLU, CSLU Disconnected from CSSM, No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU)	Any release that supports Smart Licensing	Action is required. Restore licenses to a registered and authorized state by following the procedures that are applicable in the Smart Licensing environment.

Upgrade and Then Downgrade

This section describes considerations and actions that apply if a product instance is upgraded to a software version that supports Smart Licensing Using Policy and then downgraded to an earlier licensing model.

When you downgrade such a product instance, *license consumption does not change* and any product features you have configured on the product instance are preserved – only the features and functions that are available with Smart Licensing Using Policy are not available anymore. Refer to the corresponding section below to know more about reverting to an earlier licensing model.

Upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy and then Downgrade to Smart Licensing

The outcome of the downgrade depends on whether a trust code was installed while you were still operating in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment, and further action may be required depending on the release you downgrade to. See the table below.

Table 5: Outcome and Action for Upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy and then Downgrade to Smart Licensing

In the Smart Licensing Using Policy Environment	Downgrade to	Outcome and Further Action
Standalone product instance, connected directly to CSSM, and trust established.	Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.1 OR Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.12.4 and later releases in Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.12.x Any other release (other than the ones mentioned in the row above) that supports Smart Licensing	No further action is required. The system recognizes the trust code and converts it back to a registered ID token, and this reverts the license to an AUTHORIZED and REGISTERED state. Action is required: You must reregister the product instance. Generate an ID token in the CSSM Web UI and on the product instance, configure the license smart register idtokenidtoken command in global configuration mode.
High Availability set-up, connected directly to CSSM, and trust established.	Any release that supports Smart Licensing	Action is required: You must reregister the product instance. Generate an ID token in the CSSM Web UI and on the product instance, configure the license smart register idtoken idtoken all command in global configuration mode.
Any other topology (Connected to CSSM Through CSLU, CSLU Disconnected from CSSM, No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU)	Any release that supports Smart Licensing.	Action is required. Restore licenses to a registered and authorized state by following the procedures that are applicable in the Smart Licensing environment.



Note

Licenses that were in an evaluation or expired state in the Smart Licensing environment, revert to that same state after downgrade.

Upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy and then Downgrade to SLR

To revert to SLR, all that is required is for the image to be downgraded. The license remains reserved and authorized – no further action is required.

However, if you have returned an SLR while in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment, then you must repeat the process of procuring an SLR as required, in the supported release.

How to Configure Smart Licensing Using Policy: Workflows by Topology

This section provides the simplest and fastest way to implement a topology.



Note

These workflows are meant for new deployments only. If you are migrating from an existing licensing model, see Migrating to Smart Licensing Using Policy, on page 38.

Workflow for Topology: Connected to CSSM Through CSLU

Depending on whether you want to implement a product instance-initiated or CSLU-initiated method of communication, complete the corresponding sequence of tasks:

- Tasks for Product Instance-Initiated Communication
- Tasks for CSLU-Initiated Communication

Tasks for Product Instance-Initiated Communication

$CSLU\ Installation\ \rightarrow CSLU\ Preference\ Settings \rightarrow Product\ Instance\ Configuration$

1. CSLU Installation

Where task is performed: A Windows host (laptop, destop, or a Virtual Machine (VM)

Download the file from Smart Software Manager > Smart Licensing Utility.

Refer to Cisco Smart License Utility Quick Start Setup Guide for help with installation and set-up.

2. CSLU Preference Settings

Where tasks are performed: CSLU

- **a.** Logging into Cisco (CSLU Interface), on page 59
- **b.** Configuring a Smart Account and a Virtual Account (CSLU Interface), on page 59
- c. Adding a Product-Initiated Product Instance in CSLU (CSLU Interface), on page 60

3. Product Instance Configuration

Where tasks are performed: Product Instance

- **a.** Ensuring Network Reachability for Product Instance-Initiated Communication, on page 60
- **b.** Ensure that transport type is set to **cslu**.

CSLU is the default transport type. If you have configured a different option, enter the **license smart transport cslu** command in global configuration mode. Save any changes to the configuration file.

```
Device(config)# license smart transport cslu
Device(config)# exit
Device# copy running-config startup-config
```

- **c.** Specify how you want CSLU to be discovered (*choose one*):
 - Option 1:

No action required. Name server configured for Zero-touch DNS discovery of cslu-local

Here, if you have configured DNS (the name server IP address is configured on the product instance), and the DNS server has an entry where hostname <code>cslu-local</code> is mapped to the CSLU IP address, then no further action is required. The product instance automatically discovers hostname <code>cslu-local</code>.

• Option 2:

No action required. Name server and domain configured for Zero-touch DNS discovery of cslu-local.<domain>

Here if you have configured DNS (the name server IP address and domain is configured on the product instance), and the DNS server has an entry where <code>cslu-local.<domain></code> is mapped to the CSLU IP address, then no further action is required. The product instance automatically discovers hostname <code>cslu-local</code>.

• Option 3:

Configure a specific URL for CSLU.

Enter the **license smart url cslu** *http://<cslu_ip_or_host>:8182/cslu/v1/pi* command in global configuration mode. For <cslu_ip_or_host>, enter the hostname or the IP address of the windows host where you have installed CSLU. 8182 is the port number and it is the only port number that CSLU uses.

```
Device(config)# license smart url cslu http://192.168.0.1:8182/cslu/v1/pi
Device(config)# exit
Device# copy running-config startup-config
```

Result:

Since the product instance initiates communication, it automatically sends out the first RUM report at the scheduled time, as per the policy. CSLU forwards the RUM report to CSSM and retrieves the ACK, which also contains the trust code. The ACK is applied to the product instance the next time the product instance contacts CSLU.

In the Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.6 and later releases of the 17.3.x train: The product instance does not send more than one RUM report a day. You can override this for an on-demand synchronization between the product instance and CSSM, by entering the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode.

To know when the product instance will be sending the next RUM report, enter the **show license all** command in privileged EXEC mode and in the output, check the date in the Next report push field.

In case of a change in license usage, see Configuring an AIR License, on page 96 to know how it affects reporting.

Tasks for CSLU-Initiated Communication

CSLU Installation \rightarrow CSLU Preference Settings \rightarrow Product Instance Configuration \rightarrow Usage Synchronization

1. CSLU Installation

Where task is performed: A Windows host (laptop, destop, or a Virtual Machine (VM)

Download the file from Smart Software Manager > Smart Licensing Utility.

Refer to Cisco Smart License Utility Quick Start Setup Guide for help with installation and set-up.

2. CSLU Preference Settings

Where tasks is performed: CSLU

- a. Logging into Cisco (CSLU Interface), on page 59
- **b.** Configuring a Smart Account and a Virtual Account (CSLU Interface), on page 59
- c. Adding a CSLU-Initiated Product Instance in CSLU (CSLU Interface), on page 62

3. Product Instance Configuration

Where tasks is performed: Product Instance

Ensuring Network Reachability for CSLU-Initiated Communication, on page 64

4. Usage Synchronization

Where tasks is performed: Product Instance

Collecting Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface), on page 62

Result:

Since CSLU is logged into CSSM, the reports are automatically sent to the associated Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM and CSSM will send an ACK to CSLU as well as to the product instance. It gets the ACK from CSSM and sends this back to the product instance for installation. The ACK from CSSM contains the trust code and SLAC if this was requested.

In case of a change in license usage, see Configuring an AIR License, on page 96 to know how it affects reporting.

Workflow for Topology: Connected Directly to CSSM

Smart Account Set-Up → Product Instance Configuration → Trust Establishment with CSSM

1. Smart Account Set-Up

Where task is performed: CSSM Web UI, https://software.cisco.com/

Ensure that you have a user role with proper access rights to a Smart Account and the required Virtual Accounts.

2. Product Instance Configuration

Where tasks are performed: Product Instance

- a. Set-Up product instance connection to CSSM: Setting Up a Connection to CSSM, on page 79
- **b.** Configure a connection method and transport type (choose one)
 - Option 1:

Smart transport: Set transport type to **smart** and configure the corresponding URL.

If the transport mode is set to **license smart transport smart**, and you configure **license smart url default**, the Smart URL (https://smartreceiver.cisco.com/licservice/license) is automatically configured. Save any changes to the configuration file.

```
Device(config) # license smart transport smart
Device(config) # license smart url default
Device(config) # exit
Device# copy running-config startup-config
```

• Option 2:

Configure Smart transport through an HTTPs proxy. See Configuring Smart Transport Through an HTTPs Proxy, on page 81

• Option 3:

Configure Call Home service for direct cloud access. See Configuring the Call Home Service for Direct Cloud Access, on page 82.

• Option 4:

Configure Call Home service for direct cloud access through an HTTPs proxy. See Configuring the Call Home Service for Direct Cloud Access through an HTTPs Proxy Server, on page 85.

3. Trust Establishment with CSSM

Where task is performed: CSSM Web UI and then the product instance

- **a.** Generate one token for each *Virtual Account* you have. You can use same token for all the product instances that are part of one Virtual Account: Generating a New Token for a Trust Code from CSSM, on page 89
- **b.** Having downloaded the token, you can now install the trust code on the product instance: Installing a Trust Code, on page 90

Result:

After establishing trust, CSSM returns a policy. The policy is automatically installed on all product instances of that Virtual Account. The policy specifies if and how often the product instance reports usage.

In the Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.6 and later releases of the 17.3.x train: The product instance does not send more than one RUM report a day. You can override this for an on-demand synchronization between the product instance and CSSM, by entering the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode.

To change the reporting interval, configure the **license smart usage interval** command in global configuration mode. For syntax details see the *license smart (privileged EXEC)* command in the Command Reference for the corresponding release.

In case of a change in license usage, see Configuring an AIR License, on page 96 to know how it affects reporting.

Workflow for Topology: CSLU Disconnected from CSSM

Depending on whether you want to implement a product instance-initiated or CSLU-initiated method of communication. Complete the corresponding table of tasks below.

- Tasks for Product Instance-Initiated Communication
- Tasks for CSLU-Initiated Communication

Tasks for Product Instance-Initiated Communication

CSLU Installation \rightarrow CSLU Preference Settings \rightarrow Product Instance Configuration \rightarrow Usage Synchronization

1. CSLU Installation

Where task is performed: A Windows host (laptop, destop, or a Virtual Machine (VM)

Download the file from Smart Software Manager > Smart Licensing Utility.

Refer to Cisco Smart License Utility Quick Start Setup Guide for help with installation and set-up.

2. CSLU Preference Settings

Where tasks are performed: CSLU

- **a.** In the CSLU Preferences tab, click the **Cisco Connectivity** toggle switch to **off**. The field switches to "Cisco Is Not Available".
- **b.** Configuring a Smart Account and a Virtual Account (CSLU Interface), on page 59
- c. Adding a Product-Initiated Product Instance in CSLU (CSLU Interface), on page 60

3. Product Instance Configuration

Where tasks are performed: Product Instance

- a. Ensuring Network Reachability for Product Instance-Initiated Communication, on page 60
- **b.** Ensure that transport type is set to **cslu**.

CSLU is the default transport type. If you have configured a different option, enter the **license smart transport cslu** command in global configuration mode. Save any changes to the configuration file.

```
Device(config)# license smart transport cslu
Device(config)# exit
Device# copy running-config startup-config
```

- **c.** Specify how you want CSLU to be discovered (*choose one*)
 - Option 1:

No action required. Name server configured for Zero-touch DNS discovery of cslu-local

Here, if you have configured DNS (the name server IP address is configured on the product instance), and the DNS server has an entry where hostname <code>cslu-local</code> is mapped to the CSLU IP address, then no further action is required. The product instance automatically discovers hostname <code>cslu-local</code>.

• Option 2:

No action required. Name server and domain configured for Zero-touch DNS discovery of cslu-local.<domain>

Here if you have configured DNS (the name server IP address and domain is configured on the product instance), and the DNS server has an entry where <code>cslu-local.<domain></code> is mapped to the CSLU IP address, then no further action is required. The product instance automatically discovers hostname <code>cslu-local</code>.

• Option 3:

Configure a specific URL for CSLU.

Enter the **license smart url cslu** *http://<cslu_ip_or_host>:8182/cslu/v1/pi* command in global configuration mode. For <cslu_ip_or_host>, enter the hostname or the IP address of the windows host where you have installed CSLU. 8182 is the port number and it is the only port number that CSLU uses.

```
Device(config) # license smart url cslu http://192.168.0.1:8182/cslu/v1/pi
Device(config) # exit
Device# copy running-config startup-config
```

4. Usage Synchronization

Where tasks are performed: CSLU and CSSM

Since the product instance initiates communication, it automatically sends out the first RUM report at the scheduled time, as per the policy. You can also enter the **license smart sync** privileged EXEC command to trigger this. Along with this first report, if applicable, it sends a request for a UDI-tied trust code. Since CSLU is disconnected from CSSM, perform the following tasks to send the RUM Reports to CSSM.

- a. Export to CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 63
- **b.** Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91
- c. Import from CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 64

Result:

The ACK is applied to the product instance the next time the product instance contacts CSLU.

In the Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.6 and later releases of the 17.3.x train: The product instance does not send more than one RUM report a day. You can override this for an on-demand synchronization between the product instance and CSSM, by entering the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode.

To know when the product instance will be sending the next RUM report, enter the **show license all** command in privileged EXEC mode and in the output, check the date for the Next report push field.

In case of a change in license usage, see Configuring an AIR License, on page 96 to know how it affects reporting.

Tasks for CSLU-Initiated Communication

CSLU Installation \rightarrow CSLU Preference Settings \rightarrow Product Instance Configuration \rightarrow Usage Synchronization

1. CSLU Installation

Where task is performed: A Windows host (laptop, destop, or a Virtual Machine (VM)

Download the file from Smart Software Manager > Smart Licensing Utility.

Refer to Cisco Smart License Utility Quick Start Setup Guide for help with installation and set-up.

2. CSLU Preference Settings

Where tasks is performed: CSLU

- a. In the CSLU Preferences tab, click the Cisco Connectivity toggle switch to off. The field switches to "Cisco Is Not Available".
- **b.** Configuring a Smart Account and a Virtual Account (CSLU Interface), on page 59
- c. Adding a CSLU-Initiated Product Instance in CSLU (CSLU Interface), on page 62
- **d.** Collecting Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface), on page 62

3. Product Instance Configuration

Where task is performed: Product Instance

Ensuring Network Reachability for CSLU-Initiated Communication, on page 64

4. Usage Synchronization

Where tasks are performed: CSLU and CSSM

Collect usage data from the product instance. Since CSLU is disconnected from CSSM, you then save usage data which CSLU has collected from the product instance to a file. Along with this first report, if applicable, an authorization code and a UDI-tied trust code request is included in the RUM report. Then, from a workstation that is connected to Cisco, upload it to CSSM. After this, download the ACK from CSSM. In the workstation where CSLU is installed and connected to the product instance, upload the file to CSLU.

- **a.** Export to CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 63
- **b.** Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91
- c. Import from CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 64

Result:

The ACK you have imported from CSSM contains the trust code and SLAC if this was requested. The uploaded ACK is applied to the product instance the next time CSLU runs an update.

In case of a change in license usage, see Configuring an AIR License, on page 96 to know how it affects reporting.

Workflow for Topology: Connected to CSSM Through a Controller

To deploy Cisco DNA Center as the controller, complete the following workflow:

Product Instance Configuration → **Cisco DNA Center Configuration**

1. Product Instance Configuration

Where task is performed: Product Instance

Enable NETCONF. Cisco DNA Center uses the NETCONF protocol to provision configuration and retrieve the required information from the product instance - the product instance must therefore have NETCONF enabled, to facilitate this.

For more information, see the Programmability Configuration Guide, Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.x. In the guide, go to *Model-Driven Programmability* > *NETCONF Protocol*.

2. Cisco DNA Center Configuration

Where tasks is performed: Cisco DNA Center GUI

An outline of the tasks you must complete and the accompanying documentation reference is provided below. The document provides detailed steps you have to complete in the Cisco DNA Center GUI:

a. Set-up the Smart Account and Virtual Account.

Enter the same log in credentials that you use to log in to the CSSM Web UI. This enables Cisco DNA Center to establish a connection with CSSM.

See the *Cisco DNA Center Administrator Guide* of the required release (Release 2.2.2 onwards) > *Manage Licenses* > *Set Up License Manager*.

b. Add the required product instances to Cisco DNA Center inventory and assign them to a site.

This enables Cisco DNA Center to push any necessary configuration, including the required certificates, for Smart Licensing Using Policy to work as expected.

See the *Cisco DNA Center User Guide* of the required release (Release 2.2.2 onwards) > *Display Your Network Topology* > *Assign Devices to a Site*.

Result:

After you implement the topology, you must trigger the very first ad hoc report in Cisco DNA Center, to establish a mapping between the Smart Account and Virtual Account, and product instance. See the Cisco DNA Center Administrator Guide of the required release (Release 2.2.2 onwards) > Manage Licenses > Upload Resource Utilization Details to CSSM. Once this is done, Cisco DNA Center handles subsequent reporting based on the reporting policy.

If multiple policies are available, Cisco DNA Center maintains the narrowest reporting interval. You can change this, but only to report more frequently (a narrower interval). See the *Cisco DNA Center Administrator Guide* of the required release (Release 2.2.2 onwards) > *Manage Licenses* > *Modify License Policy*.

If you want to change the license level after this, see the *Cisco DNA Center Administrator Guide* of the required release (Release 2.2.2 onwards) > *Manage Licenses* > *Change License Level*.

Workflow for Topology: No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU

Since you do not have to configure connectivity to any other component, the list of tasks required to set-up the topology is a small one. See, the *Results* section at the end of the workflow to know how you can complete requisite usage reporting after you have implemented this topology.

Product Instance Configuration

Where task is performed: Product Instance

Set transport type to **off**.

Enter the **license smart transport off** command in global configuration mode. Save any changes to the configuration file.

```
Device(config)# license smart transport off
Device(config)# exit
Device# copy running-config startup-config
```

Result:

All communication to and from the product instance is disabled. To report license usage you must save RUM reports to a file on the product instance. From a workstation that has connectivity to the Internet and Cisco, upload the file to CSSM:

1. Generate and save RUM reports

Enter the **license smart save usage** command in provileged EXEC mode. In the example below, all RUM reports are saved to the flash memory of the product instance, in file all_rum.txt.

In the example below, the file is first saved to bootflash and then copied to a TFTP location:

```
Device# license smart save usage all file bootflash:all_rum.txt
Device# copy bootflash:all_rum.txt tftp://10.8.0.6/all_rum.txt
```

- 2. Upload usage data to CSSM: Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91.
- 3. Install the ACK on the product instance: Installing a File on the Product Instance, on page 92

If you want to change license usage, see Configuring an AIR License, on page 96.

If you want to return an SLR authorization code, see Removing and Returning an Authorization Code, on page 86.

Workflow for Topology: SSM On-Prem Deployment

Depending on whether you want to implement a product instance-initiated (push) or SSM On-Prem-initiated (pull) method of communication, complete the corresponding sequence of tasks.

Tasks for Product Instance-Initiated Communication

SSM On-Prem Installation \rightarrow Addition and Validation of Product Instances (Only if Applicable) \rightarrow Product Instance Configuration \rightarrow Initial Usage Synchronization

1. SSM On-Prem Installation

Where task is performed: A physical server such as a Cisco UCS C220 M3 Rack Server, or a hardware-based server that meets the necessary requirements.

Download the file from Smart Software Manager > Smart Software Manager On-Prem.

Refer to the *Cisco Smart Software On-Prem Installation Guide* and the *Cisco Smart Software On-Prem User Guide* for help with installation.

Installation is complete when you have deployed SSM On-Prem, configured a common name on SSM On-Prem (**Security Widget** > **Certificates**), synchronized the NTP server (**Settings** widget > **Time Settings**), and created, registered, and synchronized (**Synchronization** widget) the SSM On-Prem local account with your Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM.



Note

Licensing functions in the **On-Prem Licensing Workspace** are greyed-out until you complete the creation, registration, and synchronization of the local account with your Smart Account in CSSM. The *local accounts*ynchronization with CSSM is for the SSM On-Prem instance to be known to CSSM, and is different from usage synchronization which is performed in **4. Initial Usage Synchronization** below.

2. Addition and Validation of Product Instances

Where tasks are performed: SSM On-Prem UI

This step ensures that the product instances are validated and mapped to the applicable Smart Account and Virtual account in CSSM. This step is required only in the following cases:

- If you want your product instances to be added and validated in SSM On-Prem before they are reported in CSSM (for added security).
- If you have created local virtual accounts (in addition to the default local virtual account) in SSM
 On-Prem. In this case you must provide SSM On-Prem with the Smart Account and Virtual Account
 information for the product instances in these local virtual accounts, so that SSM On-Prem can report
 usage to the correct license pool in CSSM.
- a. Assigning a Smart Account and Virtual Account (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 68
- **b.** Validating Devices (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 69



Note

If your product instance is in a NAT set-up, also enable support for a NAT Setup when you enable device validation – both toggle switches are in the same window.

3. Product Instance Configuration

Where tasks are performed: Product Instance and the SSM On-Prem UI

Remember to save any configuration changes on the product instance, by entering the **copy running-config startup-config** command in privileged EXEC mode.

- **a.** Ensuring Network Reachability for Product Instance-Initiated Communication, on page 69
- **b.** Retrieving the Transport URL (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72
- **c.** Setting the Transport Type, URL, and Reporting Interval, on page 93

The transport type configuration for CSLU and SSM On-Prem are the same (**license smart transport cslu** command in global configuration mode), but the URLs are different.

4. Initial Usage Synchronization

Where tasks are performed: Product instance, SSM On-Prem, CSSM

a. Synchronize the product instance with SSM On-Prem.

On the product instance, enter the **license smart sync** {all | local} command, in privileged EXEC mode. This synchronizes the product instance with SSM On-Prem, to send and receive any pending data. For example:

Device# license smart sync local

You can verify this in the SSM On-Prem UI. Log in and select the **Smart Licensing** workspace. Navigate to the **Inventory** > **SL Using Policy** tab. In the **Alerts** column of the corresponding product instance, the following message is displayed: Usage report from product instance.



Note

If you have not performed Step 2 above (Addition and Validation of Product Instances), completing this sub-step will add the product instance to the SSM On-Prem database.

- **b.** Synchronize usage information with CSSM (*choose one*):
 - Option 1:

SSM On-Prem is connected to CSSM: In the SSM On-Prem UI, Smart Licensing workspace, nagivate to **Reports** > **Usage Schedules** > **Synchronize now with Cisco**.

Option 2:

SSM On-Prem is not connected to CSSM: See Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72.

Result:

You have completed initial usage synchronization. Product instance and license usage information is now displayed in SSM On-Prem.

For subsequent reporting, you have the following options:

• To synchronize data between the product instance and SSM On-Prem:

Schedule periodic synchronization between the product instance and the SSM On-Prem, by configuring the reporting interval. Enter the **license smart usage interval** *interval_in_days* command in global configuration mode.

In the Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.6 and later releases of the 17.3.x train: The product instance does not send more than one RUM report a day. You can override this for an on-demand synchronization between the product instance and CSSM, by entering the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode.

To know when the product instance will be sending the next RUM report, enter the **show license all** command in privileged EXEC mode and in the output, check the Next report push: field.

- To synchronize usage information with CSSM schedule periodic synchronization, or , upload and download the required files:
 - Schedule periodic synchronization with CSSM. In the SSM On-Prem UI, navigate to Reports > Usage Schedules > Synchronization schedule with Cisco. Enter the following frequency information and save:
 - **Days**: Refers to how *often* synchronization occurs. For example, if you enter 2, synchronization occurs once every two days.
 - **Time of Day:** Refers to the time at which synchronization occurs, in the 24-hour notation system. For example, if you enter 14 hours and 0 minutes, synchronization occurs at 2 p.m. (1400) in your local time zone.

• Upload and download the required files for reporting: Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72).

Tasks for SSM On-Prem Instance-Initiated Communication

SSM On-Prem Installation \rightarrow Product Instance Addition \rightarrow Product Instance Configuration \rightarrow Initial Usage Synchronization

1. SSM On-Prem Installation

Where task is performed: A physical server such as a Cisco UCS C220 M3 Rack Server, or a hardware-based server that meets the necessary requirements.

Download the file from Smart Software Manager > Smart Software Manager On-Prem.

Refer to the Cisco Smart Software On-Prem Installation Guide and the Cisco Smart Software On-Prem User Guide for help with installation.

Installation is complete when you have deployed SSM On-Prem, configured a common name on SSM On-Prem (**Security Widget** > **Certificates**), synchronized the NTP server (**Settings** widget > **Time Settings**), and created, registered, and synchronized (**Synchronization** widget) the SSM On-Prem local account with your Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM.



Note

Licensing functions in the **On-Prem Licensing Workspace** are greyed-out until you complete the creation, registration, and synchronization of the local account with your Smart Account in CSSM. The *local account* synchronization with CSSM is for the SSM On-Prem instance to be known to CSSM, and is different from usage synchronization which is performed in **4. Initial Usage Synchronization** below.

2. Product Instance Addition

Where task is performed: SSM On-Prem UI

Depending on whether you want to add a single product instance or multiple product instances, follow the corresponding sub-steps: Adding One or More Product Instances (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 73.

3. Product Instance Configuration

Where tasks are performed: Product Instance and the SSM On-Prem UI

Remember to save any configuration changes on the product instance, by entering the **copy running-config startup-config** command in privileged EXEC mode: Ensuring Network Reachability for SSM On-Prem-Initiated Communication, on page 74.

4. Initial Usage Synchronization

Where tasks are performed: SSM On-Prem UI, and CSSM

a. Retrieve usage information from the product instance.

In the SSM On-Prem UI, navigate to **Reports** > **Synchronisation pull schedule with the devices** > **Synchronise now with the device**.

In the **Alerts** column, the following message is displayed: Usage report from product instance.



Tip

It takes 60 seconds before synchronization is triggered. To view progress, navigate to the **On-Prem Admin Workspace**, and click the **Support Centre** widget. The system logs here display progress.

- **b.** Synchronize usage information with CSSM (*choose one*)
 - Option 1:

SSM On-Prem is connected to CSSM: In the SSM On-Prem UI, Smart Licensing workspace, nagivate to **Reports** > **Usage Schedules** > **Synchronize now with Cisco**.

• Option 2:

SSM On-Prem is not connected to CSSM. See: Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72.

Result:

You have completed initial usage synchronization. Product instance and license usage information is now displayed in SSM On-Prem. SSM On-Prem automatically sends the ACK back to the product instance. To verify that the product instance has received the ACK, enter the **show license status** command in privileged EXEC mode, and in the output, check the date for the Last ACK received field.

For subsequent reporting, you have the following options:

- To retrieve usage information from the product instance, you can:
 - In the SSM On-Prem UI, Smart Licensing workspace, nagivate to **Reports** > **Usage Schedules** > **Synchronize now with Cisco**.
 - Schedule periodic retrieval of information from the product instance by configuring a frequency.
 In the SSM On-Prem UI, Smart Licensing workspace, nagivate to Reports > Usage Schedules > Synchronisation pull schedule with the devices. Enter values in the following fields:
 - **Days**: Refers to how *often* synchronization occurs. For example, if you enter 2, synchronization occurs once every two days.
 - **Time of Day:**: Refers to the time at which synchronization occurs, in the 24-hour notation system. For example, if you enter 14 hours and 0 minutes, synchronization occurs at 2 p.m. (1400).
 - Collect usage data from the product instance without being connected to CSSM. In the SSM On-Prem UI, Smart Licensing workspace, nagivate to **Inventory** > **SL Using Policy** tab. Select one or more product instances by enabling the coresponding check box. Click **Actions for Selected...** > **Collect Usage**. On-Prem connects to the selected Product Instance(s) and collects the usage reports. These usage reports are then stored in On-Prem's local library. These reports can then be transferred to Cisco if On-Prem is connected to Cisco, or (if you are not connected to Cisco) you can manually trigger usage collection by selecting **Export/Import All..** > **Export Usage to Cisco**.
- To synchronize usage information with CSSM, you can:
 - Schedule periodic synchronization with CSSM. In the SSM On-Prem UI, navigate to Reports > Usage Schedules > Synchronization schedule with Cisco. Enter the following frequency information and save:

- **Days**: Refers to how *often* synchronization occurs. For example, if you enter 2, synchronization occurs once every two days.
- **Time of Day:** Refers to the time at which synchronization occurs, in the 24-hour notation system. For example, if you enter 14 hours and 0 minutes, synchronization occurs at 2 p.m. (1400).
- Upload and download the required files for reporting: Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72).

Migrating to Smart Licensing Using Policy

To upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy, you must upgrade the software version (image) on the product instance to a supported version.

Before you Begin

Ensure that you have read the Upgrades, on page 21 section, to understand how Smart Licensing Using Policy handles all earlier licensing models.

Smart Licensing Using Policy is introduced in Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a. This is therefore the minimum required version for Smart Licensing Using Policy.

Note that all the licenses that you are using prior to migration will be available after upgrade. This means that not only registered and authorized licenses (including reserved licenses), but also evaluation licenses will be migrated. The advantage with migrating registered and authorized licenses is that you will have fewer configuration steps to complete after migration, because your configuration is retained after upgrade (transport type configuration and configuration for connection to CSSM, all authorization codes). This ensures a smoother transition to the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment.

Device-led conversion is not supported for migration to Smart Licensing Using Policy.

Upgrading the Wireless Controller Software

For information about the upgrade procedure:

- For Cisco Embedded Wireless Controller on Cisco Catalyst 9100 Access Points, see the Software Upgrade section in the Cisco Embedded Wireless Controller on Catalyst Access Points Online Help
- For all other supported wireless controllers, see the System Upgrade > Upgrading the Cisco Catalyst 9800 Wireless Controller Software section of the Cisco Catalyst 9800 Series Wireless Controller Software Configuration Guide for the required release.

You can use the procedure to upgrade in install mode or ISSU (ISSU only on supported platforms and supported releases)

After Upgrading the Software Version

Complete topology implementation.

If a transport mode is available in your pre-upgrade set-up, this is retained after you upgrade. Only in some cases, like with evaluation licenses or with licensing models where the notion of a transport type

does not exist, the default (**cslu**) is applied - in these cases you may have a few more steps to complete before you are set to operate in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment.

No matter which licensing model you upgrade from, you can change the topology after upgrade.

• Synchronize license usage with CSSM

No matter which licensing model you are upgrading from and no matter which topology you implement, synchronize your usage information with CSSM. For this you have to follow the reporting method that applies to the topology you implement. This initial synchronization ensures that up-to-date usage information is reflected in CSSM and a custom policy (if available), is applied. The policy that is applicable after this synchronization also indicates subsequent reporting requirements. These rules are also tabled here: How Upgrade Affects Reporting for Existing Licenses, on page 21



Note

After initial usage synchronization is completed, reporting is required only if the policy, or, system messages indicate that it is.

Sample Migration Scenarios

Sample migration scenarios have been provided considering the various existing licensing models and licenses. All scenarios provide sample outputs before and after migration, any CSSM Web UI changes to look out for (as an indicator of a successful migration or further action), and how to identify and complete any necessary post-migration steps.



Note

For SSM On-Prem, the sequence in which you perform the various upgrade-related activities is crucial. So only for this scenario, the migration sequence has been provided - and not an example.

Example: Smart Licensing to Smart Licensing Using Policy

The following is an example of a Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller migrating from Smart Licensing to Smart Licensing Using Policy.

- Table 6: Smart Licensing to Smart Licensing Using Policy: show Commands, on page 39
- The CSSM Web UI After Migration, on page 43
- Reporting After Migration, on page 46

The **show** command outputs below call-out key fields to check, before and after migration.

Table 6: Smart Licensing to Smart Licensing Using Policy: show Commands

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)	
show license summary	show license summary	
The Status and License Authorization fields show that the license is REGISTERED and AUTHORIZED.	The status field shows that the licenses are now IN USE instead of registered and authorized.	

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
Device# show license summary	Device# show license summary
Smart Licensing is ENABLED Registration: Status: REGISTERED Smart Account: SA-Eg-Company-02 Virtual Account: Dept-02 Export-Controlled Functionality: ALLOWED Last Renewal Attempt: None Next Renewal Attempt: May 01 08:19:02 2021 IST	License Usage: License Entitlement Tag Count Status air-network-essentials (DNA_NWSTACK_E) 1 IN USE air-dna-essentials (AIR-DNA-E) 1 IN USE
License Authorization: Status: AUTHORIZED Last Communication Attempt: SUCCEEDED Next Communication Attempt: Dec 02 08:19:09 2020 IST License Usage: License Entitlement tag Count Status	
AP Perpetual Network (DNA_NWSTACK_E) 1 AUTHORIZED Aironet DNA Essentia (AIR-DNA-E) 1 AUTHORIZED	

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
show license usage	show license usage
One perpetual and one subscription license are being used before upgrade.	All licenses are migrated and the Enforcement Type field displays NOT ENFORCED.
	There are no export-controlled or enforced licenses on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers.

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing) After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy) Device# show license usage Device# show license usage License Authorization: License Authorization: Status: AUTHORIZED on Nov 02 08:21:29 2020 IST Status: Not Applicable AP Perpetual Networkstack Essentials (DNA_NWSTACK_E): air-network-essentials (DNA NWSTACK E): Description: AP Perpetual Network Stack entitled with Description: air-network-essentials Count: 1 Version: 1.0 Count: 1 Version: 1.0 Status: IN USE Status: AUTHORIZED Export status: NOT RESTRICTED Export status: NOT RESTRICTED Feature Name: air-network-essentials Feature Description: air-network-essentials Aironet DNA Essentials Term Licenses (AIR-DNA-E): Enforcement type: NOT ENFORCED License type: Perpetual Description: DNA Essentials for Wireless Count: 1 Version: 1.0 air-dna-essentials (AIR-DNA-E): Description: air-dna-essentials Status: AUTHORIZED Export status: NOT RESTRICTED Count: 1 Version: 1.0 Status: IN USE Export status: NOT RESTRICTED Feature Name: air-dna-essentials Feature Description: air-dna-essentials Enforcement type: NOT ENFORCED License type: Perpetual

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing) After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy) show license status show license status The Transport: field shows that the transport type, which was configured before update, is retained after upgrade. The Policy: header and details show that a custom policy was available in the Smart Account or Virtual Account - this has also been automatically installed on the product instance. (After establishing trust, CSSM returns a policy. The policy is then automatically installed.) The Usage Reporting: header: The Next report push: field provides information about when the product instance will send the next RUM report to CSSM. The Trust Code Installed: field shows that the ID token is successfully converted and a trusted connected has been established with CSSM.

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing) After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy) Device# show license status Device# show license status Utility: Smart Licensing is ENABLED Status: DISABLED Utility: Smart Licensing Using Policy: Status: DISABLED Status: ENABLED Data Privacy: Data Privacy: Sending Hostname: yes Sending Hostname: yes Callhome hostname privacy: DISABLED Callhome hostname privacy: DISABLED Smart Licensing hostname privacy: DISABLED Smart Licensing hostname privacy: DISABLED Version privacy: DISABLED Version privacy: DISABLED Transport: Transport: Type: Callhome Type: Callhome Registration: Policv: Status: REGISTERED Policy in use: Installed On Nov 02 09:09:47 2020 IST Smart Account: SA-Eg-Company-02 Policy name: SLE Policy Virtual Account: Dept-02 Reporting ACK required: yes (Customer Policy) Export-Controlled Functionality: ALLOWED Unenforced/Non-Export Perpetual Attributes: Initial Registration: SUCCEEDED on Nov 02 08:19:02 First report requirement (days): 60 (Customer 2020 TST Policy) Last Renewal Attempt: None Reporting frequency (days): 60 (Customer Policy) Next Renewal Attempt: May 01 08:19:01 2021 IST Report on change (days): 60 (Customer Policy) Unenforced/Non-Export Subscription Attributes: Registration Expires: Nov 02 08:14:06 2021 IST First report requirement (days): 30 (Customer License Authorization: Policy) Status: AUTHORIZED on Nov 02 08:21:29 2020 IST Reporting frequency (days): 30 (Customer Policy) Last Communication Attempt: SUCCEEDED on Nov 02 Report on change (days): 30 (Customer Policy) 08:21:29 2020 IST Enforced (Perpetual/Subscription) License Attributes: Next Communication Attempt: Dec 02 08:19:09 2020 IST Communication Deadline: Jan 31 08:14:15 2021 IST First report requirement (days): 0 (CISCO default) Reporting frequency (days): 90 (Customer Policy) Export Authorization Key: Report on change (days): 90 (Customer Policy) Features Authorized: Export (Perpetual/Subscription) License Attributes: <none> First report requirement (days): 0 (CISCO default) Reporting frequency (days): 90 (Customer Policy) Report on change (days): 90 (Customer Policy) Miscellaneous: Custom Id: <empty> Usage Reporting: Last ACK received: Nov 02 09:09:47 2020 IST Next ACK deadline: Jan 01 09:09:47 2021 IST Reporting push interval: 30 days Next ACK push check: Nov 02 09:13:54 2020 IST Next report push: Dec 02 09:05:45 2020 IST Last report push: Nov 02 09:05:45 2020 IST Last report file write: <none> Trust Code Installed: Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9, SN:93BBAH93MGS INSTALLED on Nov 02 08:59:26 2020 IST Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9, SN:9XECPSUU4XN INSTALLED on Nov 02 09:00:45 2020 IST

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)	
show license udi	show license udi	
	This is a High Availability set-up and the command displays all UDIs in the set-up.	
	There is no change in the sample output before and after migration.	
Device# show license udi UDI: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS	Device# show license udi UDI: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS	
HA UDI List: Active:PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS Standby:PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN	HA UDI List: Active:PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS Standby:PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN	

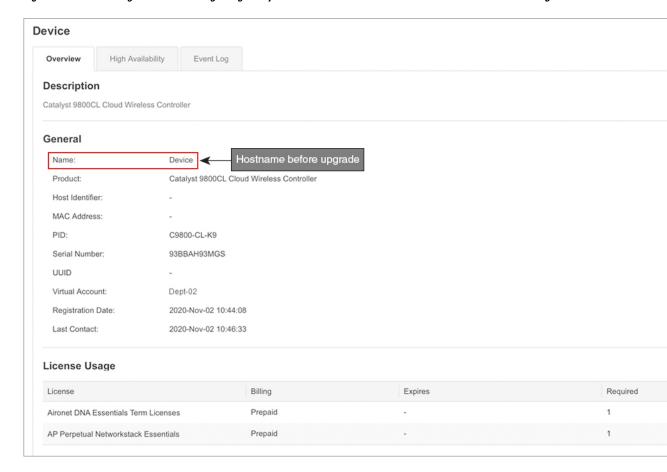
The CSSM Web UI After Migration

Log in to the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com and click **Smart Software Licensing**. Under **Inventory** > **Product Instances**.

The product instance previously displayed with the host name (Catalyst 9800CL Cloud Wireless Controller in this example) is now displayed with the UDI instead. All migrated UDIs are displayed, that is, PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS, and PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN.

Only the active product instance reports usage, therefore, PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS displays license consumption information under **License Usage**. The standby does not report usage and the **License Usage** for the standby displays No Records Found.

Figure 7: Smart Licensing to Smart Licensing Using Policy: Hostname of Product Instance on the CSSM Web UI Before Migration



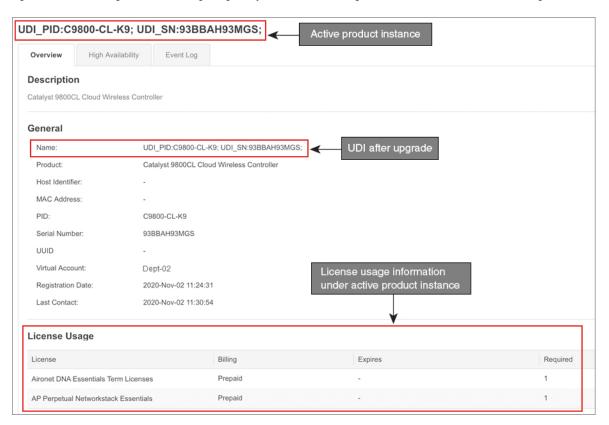


Figure 8: Smart Licensing to Smart Licensing Using Policy: UDI and License Usage Under Active Product Instance After Migration

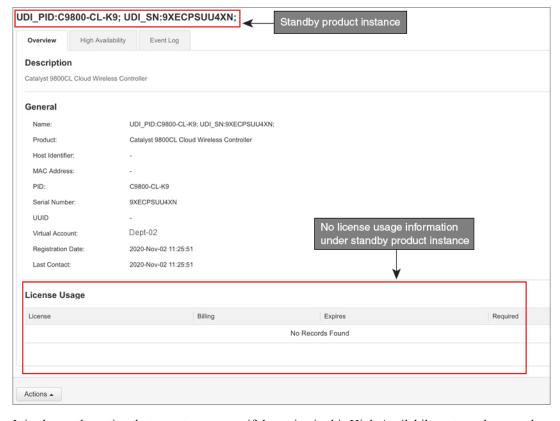


Figure 9: Smart Licensing to Smart Licensing Using Policy: Standby Product Instance After Migration

It is always the active that reports usage, so if the active in this High Availabilty set-up changes, the new active product instance will display license consumption information and report usage.

Reporting After Migration

The product instance sends the next RUM report to CSSM, based on the policy.

If you want to change your reporting interval to report more frequently: on the product instance, configure the **license smart usage interval** command in global configuration mode. For syntax details see the *license smart* (*global config*) command in the Command Reference for the corresponding release.

Example: SLR to Smart Licensing Using Policy

The following is an example of a Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller migrating from Specific License Reservation (SLR) to Smart Licensing Using Policy. This is a High Availability set-up with an active and standby.

License conversion is automatic and authorization codes are migrated. No further action is required to complete migration. After migration the No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU, on page 16 topology is effective. For information about the SLR authorization code in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment, see Authorization Code, on page 7.

- Table 7: SLR to Smart Licensing Using Policy: show Commands, on page 47
- The CSSM Web UI After Migration, on page 51

• Reporting After Migration, on page 53

The **show** command outputs below call-out key fields to check, before and after migration.

Table 7: SLR to Smart Licensing Using Policy: show Commands

Before Upgrade (SLR)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)		
show license summary	show license summary		
The Registration and License Authorization status fields show that the license was REGISTERED - SPECIFIC LICENSE RESERVATION and AUTHORIZED - RESERVED.	Licenses are migrated, but none of the APs have joined the controller, current consumption (Count) is therefore zero, and the status field shows that the licenses are NOT IN USE.		
Device# show license summary Smart Licensing is ENABLED	Device# show license summary License Reservation is ENABLED		
License Reservation is ENABLED	License Usage: License Entitlement Tag Count		
Registration:	Status		
Status: REGISTERED - SPECIFIC LICENSE RESERVATION Export-Controlled Functionality: ALLOWED			
License Authorization:	Aironet DNA Advantag (AIR-DNA-A) 0 NOT IN USE		
Status: AUTHORIZED - RESERVED	AP Perpetual Network (DNA_NWStack) 0 NOT IN USE		
License Usage: License Entitlement tag Count Status			
AP Perpetual Network (DNA_NWStack) 1 AUTHORIZED Aironet DNA Advantag (AIR-DNA-A) 1 AUTHORIZED			

Before Upgrade (SLR)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
show license reservation	show license authorization
	The Last Confirmation code: field shows that the SLR authorization code is successfully migrated for the active and standby product instances in the High Availability set-up.
	The Specified license reservations: header shows that a perpetual license (AP Perpetual Networkstack Advantage) and a subscription license (Aironet DNA Advantage Term Licenses) are the migrated SLR licenses.

Before Upgrade (SLR)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
Device# show license reservation	
License reservation: ENABLED	
Overall status:	
Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS	
Reservation status: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov 02	
03:16:01 2020 IST	
Export-Controlled Functionality: ALLOWED	
Last Confirmation code: 102fc949	
Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN	
Reservation status: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov 02	
03:15:45 2020 IST	
Export-Controlled Functionality: ALLOWED	
Last Confirmation code: ad4382fe	
Specified license reservations:	
Aironet DNA Advantage Term Licenses (AIR-DNA-A):	
Description: DNA Advantage for Wireless	
Total reserved count: 20	
Term information:	
Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS	
License type: TERM	
Start Date: 2020-OCT-14 UTC	
End Date: 2021-APR-12 UTC	
Term Count: 5	
License type: TERM	
Start Date: 2020-JUN-18 UTC	
End Date: 2020-DEC-15 UTC	
Term Count: 5	
Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN	
License type: TERM	
Start Date: 2020-OCT-14 UTC End Date: 2021-APR-12 UTC	
Term Count: 10	
AP Perpetual Networkstack Advantage (DNA NWStack):	
Description: AP Perpetual Network Stack entitled	
with DNA-A	
Total reserved count: 20	
Term information:	
Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS	
License type: TERM	
Start Date: 2020-OCT-14 UTC	
End Date: 2021-APR-12 UTC	
Term Count: 5	
License type: TERM	
Start Date: 2020-JUN-18 UTC	
End Date: 2020-DEC-15 UTC	
Term Count: 5	
Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN	
License type: TERM	
Start Date: 2020-OCT-14 UTC	
End Date: 2021-APR-12 UTC	
Term Count: 10	

Before Upgrade (SLR)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
	Device# show license authorization
	Overall status: Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS
	Status: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov 02 03:16:01 2020
	TST
	Last Confirmation code: 102fc949
	Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9, SN:9XECPSUU4XN
	Status: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov 02 03:15:45 2020
	IST
	Last Confirmation code: ad4382fe
	Specified license reservations:
	Aironet DNA Advantage Term Licenses (AIR-DNA-A):
	Description: DNA Advantage for Wireless
	Total reserved count: 20
	Enforcement type: NOT ENFORCED
	Term information:
	Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9, SN:93BBAH93MGS
	Authorization type: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov
	02 03:15:45 2020 IST
	License type: TERM
	Start Date: 2020-OCT-14 UTC
	End Date: 2021-APR-12 UTC
	Term Count: 5
	Authorization type: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov
	02 03:15:45 2020 IST
	License type: TERM
	Start Date: 2020-JUN-18 UTC
	End Date: 2020-DEC-15 UTC
	Term Count: 5
	Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9, SN:9XECPSUU4XN
	Authorization type: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov
	02 03:15:45 2020 IST
	License type: TERM
	Start Date: 2020-OCT-14 UTC
	End Date: 2021-APR-12 UTC
	Term Count: 10
	AP Perpetual Networkstack Advantage (DNA_NWStack):
	Description: AP Perpetual Network Stack entitled
	with DNA-A
	Total reserved count: 20
	Enforcement type: NOT ENFORCED
	Term information:
	Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS
	Authorization type: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov
	02 03:15:45 2020 IST
	License type: TERM
	Start Date: 2020-OCT-14 UTC
	End Date: 2021-APR-12 UTC
	Term Count: 5
	Authorization type: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov
	02 03:15:45 2020 IST
	License type: TERM
	Start Date: 2020-JUN-18 UTC
	End Date: 2020-DEC-15 UTC
	Term Count: 5
	Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9, SN:9XECPSUU4XN
	Authorization type: SPECIFIC INSTALLED on Nov
	==
	102 03:15:45 2020 TST
	02 03:15:45 2020 IST License type: TERM
	02 03:15:45 2020 IST License type: TERM Start Date: 2020-OCT-14 UTC

Before Upgrade (SLR)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
	Term Count: 10
	Purchased Licenses: No Purchase Information Available

Before Upgrade (SLR)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
show license status	show license status
	Under the Transport: header, the Type: field displays that the transport type is set to off.
	Under the Usage Reporting: header, the Next report push: field displays if and when the next RUM report must be uploaded to CSSM.

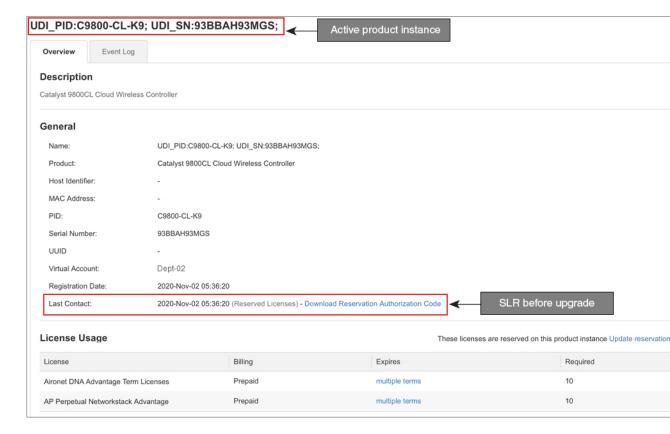
```
Before Upgrade (SLR)
                                                       After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
                                                       Device# show license status
                                                       Utility:
                                                         Status: DISABLED
                                                       Smart Licensing Using Policy:
                                                         Status: ENABLED
                                                       Data Privacv:
                                                         Sending Hostname: yes
                                                           Callhome hostname privacy: DISABLED
                                                           Smart Licensing hostname privacy: DISABLED
                                                         Version privacy: DISABLED
                                                       Transport:
                                                         Type: Transport Off
                                                       Policv:
                                                         Policy in use: Merged from multiple sources.
                                                         Reporting ACK required: yes (CISCO default)
                                                         Unenforced/Non-Export Perpetual Attributes:
                                                           First report requirement (days): 365 (CISCO default)
                                                           Reporting frequency (days): 0 (CISCO default)
                                                           Report on change (days): 90 (CISCO default)
                                                         Unenforced/Non-Export Subscription Attributes:
                                                           First report requirement (days): 90 (CISCO default)
                                                           Reporting frequency (days): 90 (CISCO default)
                                                           Report on change (days): 90 (CISCO default)
                                                         Enforced (Perpetual/Subscription) License Attributes:
                                                           First report requirement (days): 0 (CISCO default)
                                                           Reporting frequency (days): 0 (CISCO default)
                                                           Report on change (days): 0 (CISCO default)
                                                         Export (Perpetual/Subscription) License Attributes:
                                                           First report requirement (days): 0 (CISCO default)
                                                           Reporting frequency (days): 0 (CISCO default)
                                                           Report on change (days): 0 (CISCO default)
                                                       Miscellaneous:
                                                         Custom Id: <empty>
                                                       Usage Reporting:
                                                         Last ACK received: <none>
                                                         Next ACK deadline: <none>
                                                         Reporting push interval: 0 (no reporting)
                                                         Next ACK push check: Nov 01 20:31:46 2020 IST
                                                         Next report push: <none>
                                                         Last report push: <none>
                                                         Last report file write: <none>
                                                       Trust Code Installed: <none>
```

The CSSM Web UI After Migration

Log in to the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com and click **Smart Software Licensing**. Under **Inventory** > **Product Instances**.

There are no changes in the **Product Instances** tab. The Last Contact column displays "Reserved Licenses" since there has been no usage reporting yet. After the requisite RUM report is uploaded and acknowledged "Reserved Licenses" is no longer displayed and license usage is displayed only in the active product instance.

Figure 10: SLR to Smart Licensing Using Policy: Active Product Instance Before Upgrade



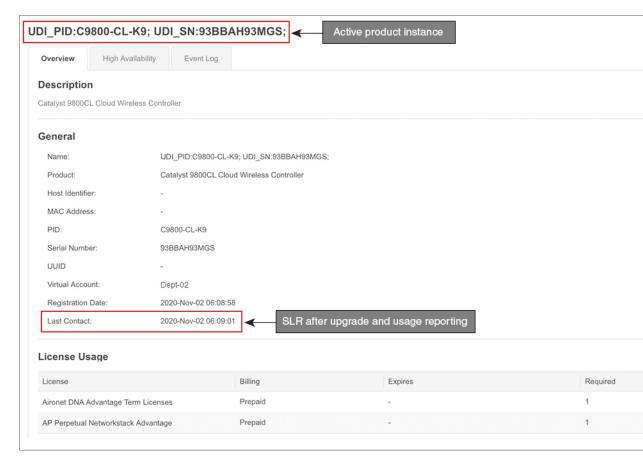


Figure 11: SLR to Smart Licensing Using Policy: Active Product Instance After Upgrade

Reporting After Migration

SLR licenses require reporting only when there is a change in license consumption (For example, when using a subscription license which is for specified term).

In an air-gapped network, use the Next report push: date in the **show license status** output to know when the next usage report must be sent. This ensures that the product instance and CSSM are synchronized.

Since all communication to and from the product instance is disabled, to report license usage you must save RUM reports to a file and upload it to CSSM (from a workstation that has connectivity to the internet, and Cisco):

1. Generate and save RUM reports

Enter the **license smart save usage** command in provileged EXEC mode. In the example below, all RUM reports are saved to the flash memory of the product instance, in file all_rum.txt. For syntax details see the *license smart* (*privileged EXEC*) command in the Command Reference. In the example, the file is first saved to bootflash and then copied to a TFTP location:

```
Device# license smart save usage all bootflash:all_rum.txt
Device# copy bootflash:all_rum.txt tftp://10.8.0.6/all_rum.txt
```

- 2. Upload usage data to CSSM: Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91
- 3. Install the ACK on the product instance: Installing a File on the Product Instance, on page 92

Example: Evaluation or Expired to Smart Licensing Using Policy

The following is an example of a Cisco Catalyst 9800-CL Wireless Controller with evaluation expired licenses (Smart Licensing) that are migrated to Smart Licensing Using Policy.

The notion of evaluation licenses does not apply to Smart Licensing Using Policy. When the software version is upgraded to one that supports Smart Licensing Using Policy, all licenses are displayed as IN USE and the Cisco default policy is applied to the product instance. Since all licenses on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers are unenforced (enforcement type), no functionality is lost.

- Table 8: Evaluation or Expired to Smart Licensing Using Policy: show Commands, on page 54
- The CSSM Web UI After Migration, on page 57
- Reporting After Migration, on page 57

The table below calls out key changes or new fields to check for in the **show** command outputs, after upgrade to Smart Licensing Using Policy

Table 8: Evaluation or Expired to Smart Licensing Using Policy: show Commands

Before Upgrade (Sma	rt Licensing, Evaluation	Mode)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensi	ing Using Policy)	
show license summa	ry		show license summary		
Licenses are UNREGISTERED and in EVAL MODE.		All licenses are migrated and IN USE. There are no EVAL MODI licenses.		AL MODE	
Device# show licen Smart Licensing is Registration: Status: UNREGIST	ENABLED ERED		Device# show license sum License Usage: License Status	mary Entitlement Tag	Count
License Authorizat Status: EVAL EXP License Usage:			air-network-advantage IN USE air-dna-advantage IN USE	· = ·	1
EXPIRED EXPIRED	(DNA_NWStack) (AIR-DNA-A)	1 EVAL	-		

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing, Evaluation Mode)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)	
show license usage	show license usage	
	The Enforcement Type field displays NOT ENFORCED. (There are no export-controlled or enforced licenses on Cisco Catalyst Wireless Controllers).	

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing, Evaluation Mode)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
Device# show license usage	Device# show license usage
License Authorization:	License Authorization:
Status: EVAL EXPIRED on Apr 14 18:20:46 2020 UTC	Status: Not Applicable
(DNA_NWStack):	air-network-advantage (DNA_NWStack):
Description:	Description: air-network-advantage
Count: 1	Count: 1
Version: 1.0	Version: 1.0
Status: EVAL EXPIRED	Status: IN USE
Export status: NOT RESTRICTED	Export status: NOT RESTRICTED
	Feature Name: air-network-advantage
(AIR-DNA-A):	Feature Description: air-network-advantage
Description:	Enforcement type: NOT ENFORCED
Count: 1	License type: Perpetual
Version: 1.0	
Status: EVAL EXPIRED	air-dna-advantage (AIR-DNA-A):
Export status: NOT RESTRICTED	Description: air-dna-advantage
	Count: 1
	Version: 1.0
	Status: IN USE
	Export status: NOT RESTRICTED
	Feature Name: air-dna-advantage
	Feature Description: air-dna-advantage
	Enforcement type: NOT ENFORCED
	License type: Perpetual

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing, Evaluation Mode)	After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy)
show license status	show license status
	The Transport: field displays that the default type is set, but a URL or a method for the product instance to discover CSLU is not specified.
	The Trust Code Installed: field displays that a trust code is not installed.
	The Policy: header and details show that the Cisco default policy is applied.
	Under the Usage Reporting: header, the Next report push: field provides information about when the next RUM report must be sent to CSSM.

Before Upgrade (Smart Licensing, Evaluation Mode) After Upgrade (Smart Licensing Using Policy) Device# show license status Device# show license status Utility: Status: DISABLED Smart Licensing is ENABLED Utility: Smart Licensing Using Policy: Status: DISABLED Status: ENABLED Data Privacy: Data Privacy: Sending Hostname: yes Sending Hostname: yes Callhome hostname privacy: DISABLED Callhome hostname privacy: DISABLED Smart Licensing hostname privacy: DISABLED Smart Licensing hostname privacy: DISABLED Version privacy: DISABLED Version privacy: DISABLED Transport: Transport: Type: Callhome Type: cslu Cslu address: <empty> Registration: Proxv: Status: UNREGISTERED Not Configured Export-Controlled Functionality: NOT ALLOWED Policy: License Authorization: Policy in use: Merged from multiple sources. Status: EVAL EXPIRED on Apr 14 18:20:46 2020 UTC Reporting ACK required: yes (CISCO default) Unenforced/Non-Export Perpetual Attributes: Export Authorization Key: First report requirement (days): 365 (CISCO default) Features Authorized: Reporting frequency (days): 0 (CISCO default) <none> Report on change (days): 90 (CISCO default) Unenforced/Non-Export Subscription Attributes: First report requirement (days): 90 (CISCO default) Reporting frequency (days): 90 (CISCO default) Report on change (days): 90 (CISCO default) Enforced (Perpetual/Subscription) License Attributes: First report requirement (days): 0 (CISCO default) Reporting frequency (days): 0 (CISCO default) Report on change (days): 0 (CISCO default) Export (Perpetual/Subscription) License Attributes: First report requirement (days): 0 (CISCO default) Reporting frequency (days): 0 (CISCO default) Report on change (days): 0 (CISCO default) Miscellaneous: Custom Id: <empty> Usage Reporting: Last ACK received: <none> Next ACK deadline: <none> Reporting push interval: 0 (no reporting) Next ACK push check: <none> Next report push: <none> Last report push: <none> Last report file write: <none> Trust Code Installed: <none>

The CSSM Web UI After Migration

Log in to the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com and click **Smart Software Licensing**. Under **Inventory** > **Product Instances**, the Last Contact field for the migrated product instances display an updated timestamp after migration.

Reporting After Migration

Implement any one of the supported topologies, and fulfil reporting requirements. See Supported Topologies, on page 10 and How to Configure Smart Licensing Using Policy: Workflows by Topology , on page 25. The reporting method you can use depends on the topology you implement.

Migrating to a Version of SSM On-Prem That Supports Smart Licensing Using Policy

If you are using a version of SSM On-Prem that is earlier than the minimum required version (See SSM On-Prem, on page 5), you can use this section as an outline of the process and sequence you have to follow to migrate the SSM On-Prem version and the product instance.

1. Upgrade SSM On-Prem.

Upgrade to the minimum required Version 8, Release 202102 or a later version.

Refer to the Cisco Smart Software Manager On-Prem Migration Guide.

2. Upgrade the product instance.

For information about the minimum required software version, see SSM On-Prem, on page 5.

For information about the upgrade procedure, see Upgrading the Wireless Controller Software, on page 38.

3. Re-Register a local account with CSSM

Online and Offline options are available. Refer to the Cisco Smart Software Manager On-Prem Migration Guide > Re-Registering a local Account (Online Mode) or Manually Re-Registering a Local Account (Offline Mode).

Once re-registration is complete, the following events occur automatically:

- SSM On-Prem responds with new transport URL that points to the tenant in SSM On-Prem.
- The transport type configuration on the product instance changes from from **call-home** or **smart**, to **cslu**. The transport URL is also updated automatically.
- **4.** Save configuration changes on the product instance, by entering the **copy running-config startup-config** command in privileged EXEC mode.
- **5.** Clear older On-Prem Smart Licensing certificates on the product instance and reload the product instance. Do not save configuration changes after this.



Note

This step is required only if the software version running on the product instance is Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.x or Cisco IOS XE Bengaluru 17.4.x.

Enter the licence smart factory reset and then the reload commands in privileged EXEC mode.

```
Device# licence smart factory reset
Device# reload
```

- **6.** Perform usage synchronization
 - a. On the product instance, enter the license smart sync {all|local} command, in privileged EXEC mode. This synchronizes the product instance with SSM On-Prem, to send and receive any pending data.

```
Device(config) # license smart sync local
```

You can verify this in the SSM On-Prem UI. Go to **Inventory** > **SL Using Policy**. In the **Alerts** column, the following message is displayed: Usage report from product instance.

- **b.** Synchronize usage information with CSSM (*choose one*)
 - Option 1:

SSM On-Prem is connected to CSSM: In the SSM On-Prem UI, Smart Licensing workspace, nagivate to **Reports** > **Usage Schedules** > **Synchronize now with Cisco**.

• Option 2:

SSM On-Prem is not connected to CSSM. See Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72.

Result:

You have completed migration and initial usage synchronization. Product instance and license usage information is now displayed in SSM On-Prem.

For subsequent reporting, you have the following options:

- To synchronize data between the product instance and SSM On-Prem:
 - Schedule periodic synchronization between the product instance and SSM On-Prem, by configuring the reporting interval. Enter the **license smart usage interval** *interval_in_days* command in global configuration mode.

To know when the product instance will be sending the next RUM report, enter the **show license** all command in privileged EXEC mode and in the output, check the Next report push: field.

- Enter the **license smart sync** privileged EXEC command, for ad hoc or on-demand synchronization between the product instance and SSM On-Prem.
- To synchronize usage information with CSSM:
 - Schedule periodic synchronization with CSSM. In the SSM On-Prem UI, navigate to Reports > Usage Schedules > Synchronization schedule with Cisco. Enter the following frequency information and save:
 - **Days**: Refers to how *often* synchronization occurs. For example, if you enter 2, synchronization occurs once every two days.
 - **Time of Day:** Refers to the time at which synchronization occurs, in the 24-hour notation system. For example, if you enter 14 hours and 0 minutes, synchronization occurs at 2 p.m. (1400) in your local time zone.

• Upload and download the required files for reporting. See Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72.

Task Library for Smart Licensing Using Policy

This section is a grouping of tasks that apply to Smart Licensing Using Policy. It includes tasks performed on a product instance, on the CSLU interface, and on the CSSM Web UI.

To implement a particular topology, refer to the corresponding workflow to know the sequential order of tasks that apply. See How to Configure Smart Licensing Using Policy: Workflows by Topology, on page 25.

To perform any additional configuration tasks, for instance, to configure a different license, or use an add-on license, or to configure a narrower reporting interval, refer to the corresponding task here. Check the "Supported Topologies" where provided, before you proceed.

Logging into Cisco (CSLU Interface)

Depending on your needs, when working in CSLU, you can either be in connected or disconnected mode. To work in the connected mode, complete these steps to connect with Cisco.

Procedure

- **Step 1** From the CSLU Main screen, click **Login to Cisco** (located at the top right corner of the screen).
- Step 2 Enter: CCO User Name and CCO Password.
- **Step 3** In the CSLU Preferences tab, check that the Cisco connectivity toggle displays "Cisco Is Available".

Configuring a Smart Account and a Virtual Account (CSLU Interface)

Both the Smart Account and Virtual Account are configured through the Preferences tab. Complete the following steps to configure both Smart and Virtual Accounts for connecting to Cisco.

Procedure

- **Step 1** Select the **Preferences Tab** from the CSLU home screen.
- **Step 2** Perform these steps for adding both a Smart Account and Virtual Account:
 - a) In the Preferences screen navigate to the **Smart Account** field and add the **Smart Account Name**.
 - b) Next, navigate to the Virtual Account field and add the Virtual Account Name.

If you are connected to CSSM (In the Preferences tab, **Cisco is Available**), you can select from the list of available SA/VAs.

If you are not connected to CSSM (In the Preferences tab, Cisco Is Not Available), enter the SA/VAs manually.

Note SA/VA names are case sensitive.

Step 3 Click Save. The SA/VA accounts are saved to the system

Only one SA/VA pair can reside on CSLU at a time. You cannot add multiple accounts. To change to another SA/VA pair, repeat Steps 2a and 2b then Save. A new SA/VA account pair replaces the previous saved pair

Adding a Product-Initiated Product Instance in CSLU (CSLU Interface)

Complete these steps to add a device-created Product Instance using the Preferences tab.

Procedure

- **Step 1** Select the **Preferences** tab.
- **Step 2** In the Preferences screen, de-select the **Validate Device** check box.
- Step 3 Set the Default Connect Method to Product Instance Initiated and then click Save.

Ensuring Network Reachability for Product Instance-Initiated Communication

This task provides *possible* configurations that may be required to ensure network reachability for product instance-initiated communication. Steps marked as "(Required)" are required for all product instances, all other steps my be required or optional, depending the kind of product instance and network requirements. Configure the applicable commands:

Before you begin

Supported topologies: Connected to CSSM Through CSLU (product instance-initiated communication).

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password, if prompted.
Step 2	configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Step 3	<pre>interface interface-type-number Example: Device (config) # interface gigabitethernet0/0</pre>	Enters interface configuration mode and specifies the Ethernet interface, subinterface, or VLAN to be associated with the VRF.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	<pre>vrf forwarding vrf-name Example: Device(config-if) # vrf forwarding Mgmt-vrf</pre>	Associates the VRF with the Layer 3 interface. This command activates multiprotocol VRF on an interface
Step 5	<pre>ip address ip-address mask Example: Device(config-if) # ip address 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0</pre>	Defines the IP address for the VRF.
Step 6	negotiation auto Example: Device(config-if)# negotiation auto	Enables auto-negotiation operation for the speed and duplex parameters of an interface. Note Cisco Catalyst 9800-L-F Wireless Controller 10G Ports do not support in an auto-negotiation operation.
Step 7	<pre>end Example: Device(config-if)# end</pre>	Exits the interface configuration mode and enters global configuration mode.
Step 8	<pre>ip http client source-interface interface-type-number Example: Device(config) # ip http client source-interface gigabitethernet0/0</pre>	Configures a source interface for the HTTP client.
Step 9	<pre>ip route ip-address ip-mask subnet mask Example: Device(config) # ip route vrf mgmt-vrf 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0 192.168.255.1</pre>	(Required) Configures a route and gateway on the product instance. You can configure either a static route or a dynamic route.
Step 10	<pre>{ip ipv6} name-server server-address 1server-address 6] Example: Device(config) # Device(config) # ip name-server vrf mgmt-vrf 173.37.137.85</pre>	Configures Domain Name System (DNS) on the VRF interface.
Step 11	<pre>ip domain lookup source-interface interface-type-number Example: Device(config) # ip domain lookup source-interface gigabitethernet0/0</pre>	Configures the source interface for the DNS domain lookup.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Example: accompanying creates entry of	Configure DNS discovery of your domain. In accompanying example, the name-server	
	•	creates entry cslu-local.example.com.
	<pre>Device(config)# ip domain name example.com</pre>	

Adding a CSLU-Initiated Product Instance in CSLU (CSLU Interface)

Using the CSLU interface, you can configure the connect method to be CSLU Initiated. This connect method (mode) enables CSLU to retrieve Product Instance information from the Product Instance.



Note

The default Connect Method is set in the **Preferences** tab.

Complete these steps to add a Product Instance from the Inventory tab

Procedure

- **Step 1** Go to the **Inventory** tab and from the Product Instances table, select **Add Single Product**.
- **Step 2** Enter the **Host** (IP address of the Host).
- **Step 3** Select the **Connect Method** and select one of the CSLU Initiated connect methods.
- Step 4 In the right panel, click **Product Instance Login Credentials**. The left panel of the screen changes to show the User Name and Password fields.
- **Step 5** Enter the product instance **User Name** and **Password**.
- Step 6 Click Save.

The information is saved to the system and the device is listed in the Product Instances table with the Last Contact listed as never.

Collecting Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface)

CSLU also allows you to manually trigger the gathering of usage reports from devices.

After configuring and selecting a product instance (selecting **Add Single Product**, filling in the **Host** name and selecting a CSLU-initiated connect method), click **Actions for Selected** > **Collect Usage**. CSLU connects to the selected product instances and collects the usage reports. These usage reports are stored in CSLU's local library. These reports can then be transferred to Cisco if CSLU is connected to Cisco, or (if you are not connected to Cisco) you can manually trigger usage collection by selecting **Data** > **Export to CSSM**.

If you are working in CSLU-initiated mode, complete these steps to configure CSLU to collect RUM reports from Product Instances.

Procedure

- Step 1 Click the **Preference** tab and enter a valid **Smart Account** and **Virtual Account**, and then selectan appropriate CSLU-initiated collect method. (If there have been any changes in Preferences, make sure you click **Save**).
- **Step 2** Click the **Inventory** tab and select one or more product instances.
- **Step 3** Click Actions for Selected > Collect Usage.

RUM reports are retrieved from each selected device and stored in the CSLU local library. The Last Contacted column is updated to show the time the report was received, and the Alerts column shows the status.

If CSLU is currently logged into Cisco the reports will be automatically sent to the associated Smart Account and Virtual Account in Cisco and Cisco will send an acknowledgement to CSLU as well as to the product instance. The acknowledgement will be listed in the alerts column of the Product Instance table. To manually transfer usage reports Cisco, from the CSLU main screen select **Data** > **Export to CSSM**.

From the **Export to CSSM** modal, select the local directory where the reports are to be stored. (<CSLU_WORKING_Directory>/data/default/rum/unsent)

At this point, the usage reports are saved in your local directory (library). To upload these usage reports to Cisco, follow the steps described in Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91.

Note

The Windows operating system can change the behavior of a usage report file properties by dropping the extension when that file is renamed. The behavior change happens when you rename the downloaded file and the renamed file drops the extension. For example, the downloaded default file named <code>UD_xxx.tar</code> is renamed to <code>UD_yyy</code>. The file loses its TAR extension and cannot function. To enable the usage file to function normally, after re-naming a usage report file, you must also add the TAR extension back to the file name, for example <code>UD_yyy.tar</code>.

Export to CSSM (CSLU Interface)

The Download All for Cisco menu option is a manual process used for offline purposes. Complete these steps to use the Download For Cisco menu option

Procedure

Step 1 Go to the **Preferences** tab, and turn off the **Cisco Connectivity** toggle switch.

The field switches to "Cisco Is Not Available".

- Step 2 From the main menu in the CSLU home screen navigate to Data > Export to CSSM.
- **Step 3** Select the file from the modal that opens and click **Save**. You now have the file saved.

Note At this point you have a DLC file, RUM file, or both.

Step 4 Go to a station that has connectivity to Cisco, and complete the following: Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91

Once the file is downloaded, you can import it into CSLU, see Import from CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 64.

Import from CSSM (CSLU Interface)

Once you have received the ACK or other file (such as an authorization code) from Cisco, you are ready to Upload that file to your system. This procedure can be used for workstations that are offline. Complete these steps to select and upload files from Cisco.

Procedure

- **Step 1** Ensure that you have downloaded the file to a location that is accessible to CSLU.
- Step 2 From the main menu in the CSLU home screen, navigate to Data > Import from CSSM.
- **Step 3** An Import from CSSM modal open for you to either:
 - Drag and Drop a file that resides on your local drive, or
 - Browse for the appropriate *.xml file, select the file and click **Open**.

If the upload is successful, you will get message indicating that the file was successfully sent to the server. If the upload is not successful, you will get an import error.

Step 4 When you have finished uploading, click the x at the top right corner of the modal to close it.

Ensuring Network Reachability for CSLU-Initiated Communication

This task provides *possible* configurations that may be required to ensure network reachability for CSLU-initiated communication. Steps marked as "(Required)" are required for all product instances, all other steps may be required or optional, depending the kind of product instance and network requirements. Configure the applicable commands:

Before you begin

Supported topologies: Connected to CSSM Through CSLU (CSLU-initiated communication).

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable Example:	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password, if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	aaa new model	(Required) Enable the authentication,
	Example:	authorization, and accounting (AAA) access control model.
	Device(config)# aaa new model	control model.
Step 4	aaa authentication login default local	(Required) Sets AAA authentication to use the
	Example:	local username database for authentication.
	Device(config)# aaa authentication login default local	
Step 5	aaa authorization exec default local	Sets the parameters that restrict user access to
	Example:	a network. The user is allowed to run an EXEC shell.
	Device(config)# aaa authorization exec default local	SHEII.
Step 6	ip routing	Enables IP routing.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# ip routing	
Step 7	{ip ipv6}name-server server-address 1	(Optional) Specifies the address of one or more
	server-address 6]	name servers to use for name and address resolution.
	Example:	
	<pre>Device(config) # ip name-server vrf Mqmt-vrf</pre>	You can specify up to six name servers. Separate each server address with a space. The
	192.168.1.100 192.168.1.200 192.168.1.300	first server specified is the primary server. The
	152.100.1.500	device sends DNS queries to the primary server first. If that query fails, the backup servers are
		queried.
Step 8	ip domain lookup source-interface	Enables DNS-based hostname-to-address
	interface-type-number	translation on your device. This feature is
	Example:	enabled by default.
	<pre>Device(config) # ip domain lookup source-interface gigabitethernet0/0</pre>	If your network devices require connectivity with devices in networks for which you do not
	g_g, .	control name assignment, you can dynamically
		assign device names that uniquely identify your devices by using the global Internet
		naming scheme (DNS).
Step 9	ip domain name name	Defines a default domain name that the
•	Example:	software uses to complete unqualified
	Device(config)# ip domain name vrf	hostnames (names without a dotted-decimal domain name).
	Mgmt-vrf cisco.com	demand numer.
Step 10	no username name	(Required) Clears the specified username, if it exists. For <i>name</i> , enter the same username

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device(config) # no username admin	that a duplicate of the username you are going to create in the next step does not exist.
		If you plan to use REST APIs for CSLU-initiated retrieval of RUM reports, you have to log in to CSLU. Duplicate usernames may cause the feature to work incorrectly if there are duplicate usernames in the system.
Step 11	username name privilege level password	(Required) Establishes a username-based authentication system.
	Example: Device(config) # username admin privilege 15 password 0 lab	The privilege keyword sets the privilege level for the user. A number between 0 and 15 that specifies the privilege level for the user.
	password o lab	The password allows access to the name argument. A password must be from 1 to 25 characters, can contain embedded spaces, and must be the last option specified in the username command.
		This enables CSLU to use the product instance native REST.
		Note Enter this username and password in CSLU (Collecting Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface), on page 62 → Step 4. f. CSLU can then collect RUM reports from the product instance.
Step 12	interface interface-type-number	Enters interface configuration mode and
	<pre>Example: Device (config) # interface gigabitethernet0/0</pre>	specifies the Ethernet interface, subinterface, or VLAN to be associated with the VRF.
Step 13	<pre>vrf forwarding vrf-name Example: Device(config-if)# vrf forwarding Mgmt-vrf</pre>	Associates the VRF with the Layer 3 interface. This command activates multiprotocol VRF on an interface
Step 14	ip address ip-address mask	Defines the IP address for the VRF.
	Example: Device(config-if) # ip address 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0	
Step 15	negotiation auto	Enables auto-negotiation operation for the
	Example:	speed and duplex parameters of an interface.
	Device(config-if)# negotiation auto	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 16	no shutdown	Restarts a disabled interface.
	Example:	
	Device(config-if)# no shutdown	
Step 17	end	Exits the interface configuration mode and
	Example:	enters global configuration mode.
	Device(config-if)# end	
Step 18	ip http server	(Required) Enables the HTTP server on your
	Example:	IP or IPv6 system, including a Cisco web browser user interface. The HTTP server uses
	Device(config)# ip http server	the standard port 80, by default.
Step 19	ip http authentication local	(Required) Specifies a particular authentication
	Example:	method for HTTP server users.
	ip http authentication local	The local keyword means that the login user name, password and privilege level access
	Device(config)#	combination specified in the local system
		configuration (by the username global configuration command) should be used for
		authentication and authorization.
Step 20	ip http secure-server	(Required) Enables a secure HTTP (HTTPS)
	Example:	server. The HTTPS server uses the Secure
	Device(config)# ip http server	Sockets Layer (SSL) version 3.0 protocol.
Step 21	ip http max-connections	(Required) Configures the maximum number
	Example:	of concurrent connections allowed for the HTTP server. Enter an integer in the range
	Device(config) # ip http max-connections 16	
Step 22	ip tftp source-interface interface-type-number	Specifies the IP address of an interface as the
	Example:	source address for TFTP connections.
	Device(config)# ip tftp source-interface	
	GigabitEthernet0/0	
Step 23	ip route ip-address ip-mask subnet mask	Configures a route and gateway on the product
	Example:	instance. You can configure either a static route or a dynamic route.
	Device(config) # ip route vrf mgmt-vrf 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0 192.168.255.1	route of a dynamic route.
Step 24	logging host	Logs system messages and debug output to a
	Example:	remote host.
	Device(config)# logging host 172.25.33.20 vrf Mgmt-vrf	

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 25	<pre>end Example: Device(config)# end</pre>	Exits the global configuration mode and enters priveleged EXEC mode.
Step 26	<pre>show ip http server session-module Example: Device# show ip http server session-module</pre>	 (Required) Verifies HTTP connectivity. In the output, check that SL_HTTP is active. Additionally, you can also perform the following checks: From device where CSLU is installed, verify that you can ping the product instance. A successful ping confirms that the product instance is reachable. From a Web browser on the device where CSLU is installed verify https://<pre>product-instance-ip>/. This ensures that the REST API from CSLU to the product instance works as expected.</pre>

Assigning a Smart Account and Virtual Account (SSM On-Prem UI)

You can use this procedure to import one or more product instances along with corresponding Smart Account and Virtual Account information, into the SSM On-Prem database. This enables SSM On-Prem to map product instances that are part of local virtual accounts (other than the default local virtual account), to the correct license pool in CSSM:

Before you begin

Supported topologies: SSM On-Prem Deployment (product instance-initiated communication).

Procedure

- **Step 1** Log into the SSM On-Prem and select the **Smart Licensing** workspace.
- Step 2 Navigate to Inventory > SL Using Policy > Export/Import All > Import Product Instances List
 The Upload Product Instances window is displayed.
- **Step 3** Click **Download** to download the .csv template file and enter the required information for all the product instances in the template.
- Step 4 Once you have filled-out the template, click Inventory > SL Using Policy > Export/Import All > Import Product Instances List.

The **Upload Product Instances** window is displayed.

Step 5 Now, click **Browse** and upload the filled-out .csv template.

Smart Account and Virtual Account information for all uploaded product instances is now available in SSM On-Prem.

Validating Devices (SSM On-Prem UI)

When device validation is enabled, RUM reports from an unknown product instance (not in the SSM On-Prem database) are rejected.

By default, devices are not validated. Complete the following steps to enable it:

Before you begin

Supported topologies: SSM On-Prem Deployment (product instance-initiated communication).

Procedure

- Step 1 In the On-Prem License Workspace window, click Admin Workspace and log in, if prompted.
 - The **On-Prem Admin Workspace** window is displayed.
- Step 2 Click the Settings widget.

The **Settings** window is displayed.

Step 3 Navigate to the **CSLU** tab and turn-on the **Validate Device** toggle switch.

RUM reports from an unknown product instance will now be rejected. If you haven't already, you must now add the required product instances to the SSM On-Prem database before sending RUM reports. See Assigning a Smart Account and Virtual Account (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 68

Ensuring Network Reachability for Product Instance-Initiated Communication

This task provides *possible* configurations that may be required to ensure network reachability for product instance-initiated communication. Steps marked as "(Required)" are required for all product instances, all other steps my be required or optional, depending the kind of product instance and network requirements. Configure the applicable commands:



Note

Ensure that you configure steps 13, 14, and 15 exactly as shown below. These commands must be configured to ensure that the correct trustpoint is used and that the necessary certificates are accepted for network reachability.

Before you begin

Supported topologies: SSM On-Prem Deployment(product instance-initiated communication).

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your
	Example:	password, if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	interface interface-type-number	Enters interface configuration mode and
	Example:	specifies the Ethernet interface, subinterface, or VLAN to be associated with the VRF.
	Device (config)# interface gigabitethernet0/0	of VEAN to be associated with the VRI.
Step 4	vrf forwarding vrf-name	Associates the VRF with the Layer 3 interface.
	Example:	This command activates multiprotocol VRF on an interface
	<pre>Device(config-if)# vrf forwarding Mgmt-vrf</pre>	on an interface
Step 5	ip address ip-address mask	Defines the IP address for the VRF.
	Example:	
	Device(config-if)# ip address 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0	
Step 6	negotiation auto	Enables auto-negotiation operation for the
	Example:	speed and duplex parameters of an interface.
	Device(config-if)# negotiation auto	
Step 7	end	Exits the interface configuration mode and
	Example:	enters global configuration mode.
	Device(config-if)# end	
Step 8	ip http client source-interface interface-type-number	Configures a source interface for the HTTP client.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# ip http client source-interface gigabitethernet0/0	
Step 9	ip route ip-address ip-mask subnet mask	(Required) Configures a route and gateway on
	Example:	the product instance. You can configure either a static route or a dynamic route.
	Device(config)# ip route vrf mgmt-vrf 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0 192.168.255.1	a static foute of a dynamic foute.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 10	{ip ipv6} name-server server-address 1server-address 6]	Configures Domain Name System (DNS) on the VRF interface.
	Example:	
	<pre>Device(config) # ip name-server</pre>	
	vrf mgmt-vrf 198.51.100.1	
Step 11	ip domain lookup source-interface interface-type-number	Configures the source interface for the DNS domain lookup.
	Example:	
	<pre>Device(config) # ip domain lookup source-interface gigabitethernet0/0</pre>	
Step 12	ip domain name domain-name	Configure DNS discovery of your domain. In
	Example:	the accompanying example, the name-server
	<pre>Device(config) # ip domain name example.com</pre>	creates entry cslu-local.example.com.
Step 13	crypto pki trustpoint SLA-TrustPoint	(Required) Declares that the product instance
	Example:	should use trustpoint "SLA-TrustPoint" and
	Device(config)# crypto pki trustpoint	enters the ca-trustpoint configuration mode. The product instance does not recognize any
	SLA-TrustPoint Device(ca-trustpoint)#	trustpoints until you declare a trustpoint using this command.
Step 14	enrollment terminal	Required) Specifies the certificate enrollment
	Example:	method.
	<pre>Device(ca-trustpoint)# enrollment terminal</pre>	
Step 15	revocation-check none	(Required) Specifes a method that is to be used
	Example:	to ensure that the certificate of a peer is not revoked. For the SSM On-Prem Deployment
	Device(ca-trustpoint)# revocation-check	
	none	that a revocation check will not be performed
0: 40	.,	and the certificate will always be accepted.
Step 16	exit	Exits the ca-trustpoint configuration mode and then the global configuration mode and returns
	Example:	to privileged EXEC mode.
	Device(ca-trustpoint)# exit Device(config)# exit	
Step 17	copy running-config startup-config	Saves your entries in the configuration file.
	Example:	
	Device# copy running-config	
	startup-config	

Retrieving the Transport URL (SSM On-Prem UI)

You must configure the transport URL on the product instance when you deploy the product instance-initiated communication with SSM On-Prem deployment. This task show you how to easily copy the complete URL including the tenant ID from SSM On-Prem.

Before you begin

Supported topologies: SSM On-Prem Deployment (product instance-initiated communication).

Procedure

- **Step 1** Log into SSM On-Prem and select the **Smart Licensing** workspace.
- Step 2 Navigate to the **Inventory** tab and from the dropdown list of local virtual accounts (top right corner), select the *default local virtual account*. When you do, the area under the **Inventory** tab displays **Local Virtual Account**: **Default**.
- **Step 3** Navigate to the **General** tab.

The **Product Instance Registration Tokens** area is displayed.

Step 4 In the Product Instance Registration Tokens area click CSLU Transport URL.

The **Product Registration URL** pop-window is displayed.

Step 5 Copy the entire URL and save it in an accessible place.

You will require the URL when you configure the transport type and URL on the product instance.

Step 6 Configure the transport type and URL. See: Setting the Transport Type, URL, and Reporting Interval, on page

Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI)

You can use this procedure to complete usage synchronization between SSM On-Prem and CSSM when SSM On-Prem is disconnected from CSSM.

Before you begin

Supported topologies:

- SSM On-Prem Deployment (SSM On-Prem-initiated communication)
- SSM On-Prem Deployment (product instance-initiated communication).

Reporting data must be available in SSM On-Prem. You must have either pushed the nessary reporting data from the product instance to SSM On-Prem (product instance-initiated communication) or retrieved the necessary reporting data from the product instance (SSM On-Prem-initiated communication).

Procedure

- Step 1 Log into SSM On-Prem and select Smart Licensing.
- Step 2 Navigate to Inventory > SL Using Policy tab.
- Step 3 In the SL Using Policy tab area, click Export/Import All... > Export Usage to Cisco.

This generates one .tar file with all the usage reports available in the SSM On-Prem server.

- Step 4 Complete this task in CSSM: Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91.
 - At the end of this task you will have an ACK file to import into SSM On-Prem.
- **Step 5** Again navigate to the **Inventory** > **SL Using Policy** tab.
- Step 6 In the SL Using Policy tab area, click Export/Import All... > Import From Cisco . Upload the .tar ACK file.

To verify ACK import, in the **SL Using Policy** tab area check the **Alerts** column of the corresponding product instance. The following message is displayed: Acknowledgement received from CSSM.

Adding One or More Product Instances (SSM On-Prem UI)

You can use this procedure to add one product instance or to import and add multiple product instances. It enables SSM On-Prem to retrieve information from the product instance.

Before you begin

Supported topologies: SSM On-Prem Deployment (SSM On-Prem-initiated communication).

Procedure

- **Step 1** Log into the SSM On-Prem UI and click **Smart Licensing**.
- **Step 2** Navigate to **Inventory** tab. Select a local virtual account from the drop-down list in the top right corner.
- **Step 3** Navigate to the **SL Using Policy** tab.
- **Step 4** Add a single product or import multiple product instances (*choose one*).
 - To add a single product instance:
 - a. In the SL Using Policy tab area, click Add Single Product.
 - **b.** In the **Host** field, enter the IP address of the host (product instance).
 - c. From the Connect Method dropdown list, select an appropriate SSM On-Prem-initiated connect method.

The available connect methods for SSM On-Prem-initiated communication are: NETCONF, RESTCONF, and REST API.

d. In the right panel, click **Product Instance Login Credentials**.

The Product Instance Login Credentials window is displayed

Note You need the login credentials only if a product instance requires a SLAC.

e. Enter the User ID and Password, and click Save.

This is the same user ID and password that you configured as part of commands required to establish network reachability (Ensuring Network Reachability for SSM On-Prem-Initiated Communication, on page 74).

Once validated, the product instance is displayed in the listing in the SL Using Policy tab area.

• To import multiple product instances:

- a. In SL Using Policy tab, click Export/Import All... > Import Product Instances List.
 The Upload Product Instances window is displayed.
- **b.** Click **Download** to download the predefined .csv template.
- **c.** Enter the required information for all the product instances in the .csv template.

In the template, ensure that you provide **Host**, **Connect Method** and **Login Credentials** for all product instances.

The available connect methods for SSM On-Prem-initiated communication are: NETCONF, RESTCONF, and REST API.

Login credentials refer to the user ID and password that you configured as part of commands required to establish network reachability (Ensuring Network Reachability for SSM On-Prem-Initiated Communication, on page 74).

d. Again navigate to Inventory > SL Using Policy tab. Click Export/Import All.... > Import Product Instances List.

The **Upload Product Instances** window is displayed.

e. Now upload the filled-out .csv template.

Once validated, the product instances are displayed in the listing in the SL Using Policy tab.

Ensuring Network Reachability for SSM On-Prem-Initiated Communication

This task provides *possible* configurations that may be required to ensure network reachability for SSM On-Prem-initiated communication. Steps marked as "(Required)" are required for all product instances, all other steps may be required or optional, depending the kind of product instance and network requirements. Configure the applicable commands:



Note

Ensure that you configure steps 25, 26, and 27 exactly as shown below. These commands must be configured to ensure that the correct trustpoint is used and that the necessary certificates are accepted for network reachability.

Before you begin

Supported topologies: SSM On-Prem Deployment (SSM On-Prem-initiated communication).

Command or Action	Purpose
enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password, if prompted.
Example:	password, if prompted.
Device> enable	
configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
Example:	
Device# configure terminal	
aaa new model	(Required) Enable the authentication,
Example:	authorization, and accounting (AAA) access control model.
Device(config)# aaa new model	control model.
aaa authentication login default local	(Required) Sets AAA authentication to use the
Example:	local username database for authentication.
Device(config)# aaa authentication login default local	
aaa authorization exec default local	Sets the parameters that restrict user access to
Example:	a network. The user is allowed to run an EX shell.
Device(config)# aaa authorization exec default local	SHCH.
ip routing	Enables IP routing.
Example:	
Device(config)# ip routing	
{ip ipv6} name-server server-address 1	(Optional) Specifies the address of one or more
server-address 6]	name servers to use for name and address
Example:	resolution.
Device(config)# ip name-server vrf	You can specify up to six name servers. Separate each server address with a space. The
192.168.1.100 192.168.1.200	first server specified is the primary server. The
192.168.1.300	device sends DNS queries to the primary server
	first. If that query fails, the backup servers are queried.
	Enables DNS-based hostname-to-address translation on your device. This feature is
	enabled by default.
•	If your network devices require connectivity
source-interface gigabitethernet0/0	with devices in networks for which you do not
	enable Example: Device> enable configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal aaa new model Example: Device(config)# aaa new model aaa authentication login default local Example: Device(config)# aaa authentication login default local Example: Device(config)# aaa authorization exec default local ip routing Example: Device(config)# ip routing {ip ipv6} name-server server-address 1server-address 6] Example: Device(config)# ip name-server vrf Mgmt-vrf 192.168.1.100 192.168.1.200 192.168.1.300 ip domain lookup source-interface interface-type-number Example: Device(config)# ip domain lookup

	Command or Action	Purpose
		control name assignment, you can dynamically assign device names that uniquely identify your devices by using the global Internet naming scheme (DNS).
Step 9	<pre>ip domain name name Example: Device(config) # ip domain name vrf Mgmt-vrf cisco.com</pre>	Defines a default domain name that the software uses to complete unqualified hostnames (names without a dotted-decimal domain name).
Step 10	no username name Example: Device(config) # no username admin	(Required) Clears the specified username, if it exists. For <i>name</i> , enter the same username you will create in the next step. This ensures that a duplicate of the username you are going to create in the next step does not exist. If you plan to use REST APIs for SSM On-Prem-initiated retrieval of RUM reports, you have to log in to SSM On-Prem. Duplicate usernames may cause the feature to work incorrectly if there are present in the system.
Step 11	username name privilege level password password Example: Device (config) # username admin privilege 15 password 0 lab	(Required) Establishes a username-based authentication system. The privilege keyword sets the privilege level for the user. A number between 0 and 15 that specifies the privilege level for the user. The password allows access to the name argument. A password must be from 1 to 25 characters, can contain embedded spaces, and must be the last option specified in the username command. This enables SSM On-Prem to use the product instance native REST. Note Enter this username and password in SSM On-Prem (Adding One or More Product Instances (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 73). This enables SSM On-Prem to collect RUM reports from the product instance.
Step 12	<pre>interface interface-type-number Example: Device (config) # interface gigabitethernet0/0</pre>	Enters interface configuration mode and specifies the Ethernet interface, subinterface, or VLAN to be associated with the VRF.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 13	<pre>vrf forwarding vrf-name Example: Device(config-if) # vrf forwarding Mgmt-vrf</pre>	Associates the VRF with the Layer 3 interface This command activates multiprotocol VRF on an interface
Step 14	<pre>ip address ip-address mask Example: Device(config-if) # ip address 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0</pre>	Defines the IP address for the VRF.
Step 15	<pre>negotiation auto Example: Device(config-if) # negotiation auto</pre>	Enables auto-negotiation operation for the speed and duplex parameters of an interface.
Step 16	no shutdown Example: Device(config-if)# no shutdown	Restarts a disabled interface.
Step 17	<pre>end Example: Device(config-if)# end</pre>	Exits the interface configuration mode and enters global configuration mode.
Step 18	<pre>ip http server Example: Device(config) # ip http server</pre>	(Required) Enables the HTTP server on your IP or IPv6 system, including a Cisco web browser user interface. The HTTP server uses the standard port 80, by default.
Step 19	<pre>ip http authentication local Example: ip http authentication local Device(config)#</pre>	(Required) Specifies a particular authentication method for HTTP server users. The local keyword means that the login user name, password and privilege level access combination specified in the local system configuration (by the username global configuration command) should be used for authentication and authorization.
Step 20	<pre>ip http secure-server Example: Device(config) # ip http server</pre>	(Required) Enables a secure HTTP (HTTPS) server. The HTTPS server uses the Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) version 3.0 protocol.
Step 21	<pre>ip http max-connections Example: Device(config) # ip http max-connections 16</pre>	(Required) Configures the maximum number of concurrent connections allowed for the HTTP server. Enter an integer in the range from 1 to 16. The default is 5.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 22	<pre>ip tftp source-interface interface-type-number Example: Device(config) # ip tftp source-interface GigabitEthernet0/0</pre>	Specifies the IP address of an interface as the source address for TFTP connections.
Step 23	<pre>ip route ip-address ip-mask subnet mask Example: Device(config) # ip route vrf mgmt-vrf 192.168.0.1 255.255.0.0 192.168.255.1</pre>	Configures a route and gateway on the product instance. You can configure either a static route or a dynamic route.
Step 24	<pre>logging host Example: Device(config) # logging host 172.25.33.20 vrf Mgmt-vrf</pre>	Logs system messages and debug output to a remote host.
Step 25	<pre>crypto pki trustpoint SLA-TrustPoint Example: Device(config) # crypto pki trustpoint SLA-TrustPoint Device(ca-trustpoint) #</pre>	(Required) Declares that the product instance should use trustpoint "SLA-TrustPoint" and enters the ca-trustpoint configuration mode. The product instance does not recognize any trustpoints until you declare a trustpoint using this command.
Step 26	<pre>enrollment terminal Example: Device(ca-trustpoint)# enrollment terminal</pre>	Required) Specifies the certificate enrollment method.
Step 27	<pre>revocation-check none Example: Device(ca-trustpoint) # revocation-check none</pre>	(Required) Specifes a method that is to be used to ensure that the certificate of a peer is not revoked. For the SSM On-Prem Deployment topology, enter the none keyword. This means that a revocation check will not be performed and the certificate will always be accepted.
Step 28	<pre>end Example: Device(ca-trustpoint)# exit Device(config)# end</pre>	Exits the ca-trustpoint configuration mode and then the global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 29	<pre>show ip http server session-module Example: Device# show ip http server session-module</pre>	(Required) Verifies HTTP connectivity. In the output, check that SL_HTTP is active. Additionally, you can also perform the following checks: • From device where SSM On-Prem is installed, verify that you can ping the product instance. A successful ping

	Command or Action	Purpose
		confirms that the product instance is reachable.
		• From a Web browser on the device where SSM On-Prem is installed verify https:// <product-instance-ip>/. This ensures that the REST API from SSM On-Prem to the product instance works as expected.</product-instance-ip>
Step 30	copy running-config startup-config	Saves your entries in the configuration file.
	Example:	
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Setting Up a Connection to CSSM

The following steps show how to set up a Layer 3 connection to CSSM to verify network reachability. Steps marked as "(Required)" are required for all product instances, all other steps may be required or optional, depending the kind of product instance and network requirements. Configure the applicable commands:

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your
	Example:	password, if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	{ip ipv6}name-server server-address 1	Specifies the address of one or more name
	server-address 6]	servers to use for name and address resolution.
	Example:	You can specify up to six name servers.
	Device(config)# ip name-server	Separate each server address with a space. The
	209.165.201.1 209.165.200.225	first server specified is the primary server. The
	209.165.201.14 209.165.200.230	device sends DNS queries to the primary server
		first. If that query fails, the backup servers are queried.
Step 4	ip name-server vrf Mgmt-vrf server-address	(Optional) Configures DNS on the VRF
	1server-address 6	interface. You can specify up to six name
	Example:	servers. Separate each server address with a space.
	<pre>Device(config) # ip name-server vrf Mqmt-vrf</pre>	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	209.165.201.1 209.165.200.225 209.165.201.14 209.165.200.230	Note This command is an alternative to the ip name-server command.
Step 5	<pre>ip domain lookup source-interface interface-type interface-number Example: Device(config) # ip domain lookup source-interface Vlan100</pre>	Configures the source interface for the DNS domain lookup.
Step 6	<pre>ip domain name domain-name Example: Device(config)# ip domain name example.com</pre>	Configures the domain name.
Step 7	<pre>ip host tools.cisco.com ip-address Example: Device(config) # ip host tools.cisco.com 209.165.201.30</pre>	Configures static hostname-to-address mappings in the DNS hostname cache if automatic DNS mapping is not available.
Step 8	<pre>interface interface-type-number Example: Device (config) # interface Vlan100 Device (config-if) # ip address 192.0.2.10 255.255.255.0 Device (config-if) # exit</pre>	Configures a Layer 3 interface. Enter an interface type and number or a VLAN.
Step 9	<pre>ntp server ip-address [version number] [key key-id] [prefer] Example: Device (config) # ntp server 198.51.100.100 version 2 prefer</pre>	(Required) Activates the NTP service (if it has not already been activated) and enables the system to synchronize the system software clock with the specified NTP server. This ensures that the device time is synchronized with CSSM. Use the prefer keyword if you need to use this command multiple times and you want to set a preferred server. Using this keyword reduces switching between servers.
Step 10	<pre>switchport access vlan vlan_id Example: Device(config) # interface GigabitEthernet1/0/1 Device(config-if) # switchport access</pre>	Enables the VLAN for which this access port carries traffic and sets the interface as a nontrunking nontagged single-VLAN Ethernet interface.

	Command or Action	Purpose
	<pre>vlan 100 Device(config-if)# switchport mode access Device(config-if)# exit OR Device(config)#</pre>	Note This step is to be configured only if the switchport access mode is required. The switchport access vlan command may apply to Catalyst switching product instances, for example, and for routing product instances you may want to configure the ip address ip-address mask command instead.
Step 11	<pre>ip route ip-address ip-mask subnet mask Example: Device(config) # ip route 192.0.2.0 255.255.255.255 192.0.2.1</pre>	Configures a route on the device. You can configure either a static route or a dynamic route.
Step 12	<pre>ip http client source-interface interface-type-number Example: Device(config) # ip http client source-interface Vlan100</pre>	(Required) Configures a source interface for the HTTP client. Enter an interface type and number or a VLAN.
Step 13	<pre>exit Example: Device(config)# exit</pre>	Exits global configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 14	copy running-config startup-config Example: Device# copy running-config startup-config	Saves your entries in the configuration file.

Configuring Smart Transport Through an HTTPs Proxy

To use a proxy server to communicate with CSSM when using the Smart transport mode, complete the following steps:

	Command or Action	Purpose
•	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your	
	Example:	password, if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	license smart transport smart	Enables Smart transport mode.
	<pre>Example: Device(config)# license smart transport smart</pre>	
Step 4	<pre>license smart url default Example: Device(config) # license smart transport default</pre>	Automatically configures the Smart URL (https://smartreceiver.cisco.com/licservice/license). For this option to work as expected, the transport mode in the previous step must be configured as smart.
Step 5	<pre>license smart proxy {address address_hostname port port_num} Example: Device(config) # license smart proxy address 192.168.0.1 Device(config) # license smart proxy port 3128</pre>	Configures a proxy for the Smart transport mode. When a proxy is configured, licensing messages are sent to the proxy along with the final destination URL (CSSM). The proxy sends the message on to CSSM. Configure the proxy address and port number separately: • address address_hostname: Specifies the proxy address. Enter the IP address or hostname of the proxy server. • port port_num: Specifies the proxy port. Enter the proxy port number.

Configuring the Call Home Service for Direct Cloud Access

The Call Home service provides email-based and web-based notification of critical system events to CSSM. To configure the transport mode, enable the Call Home service, and configure a destination profile (A destination profile contains the required delivery information for an alert notification. At least one destination profile is required.), complete the following steps:



Note

All steps are required unless specifically called-out as "(Optional)".

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your
	Example:	password, if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
	Example:	

	Command or Action	Purpose
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	<pre>license smart transport callhome Example: Device(config) # license smart transport callhome</pre>	Enables Call Home as the transport mode.
Step 4	license smart url url Example: Device(config) # license smart url https://txxxi.cixxx.cam/its/service/othe/services/HUEService	For the callhome transport mode, configure the CSSM URL exactly as shown in the example.
Step 5	<pre>service call-home Example: Device(config) # service call-home</pre>	Enables the Call Home feature.
Step 6	<pre>call-home Example: Device(config)# call-home</pre>	Enters Call Home configuration mode.
Step 7	no http secure server-identity-check Example: Device(config-call-home) # no http secure server-identity-check	Disables server identity check when HTTP connection is established.
Step 8	<pre>contact-email-address email-address Example: Device(config-call-home) # contact-email-addr username@example.com</pre>	Assigns customer's email address and enables Smart Call Home service full reporting capability and sends a full inventory message from Call-Home TAC profile to Smart Call Home server to start full registration process. You can enter up to 200 characters in email address format with no spaces.
Step 9	<pre>profile name Example: Device(config-call-home) # profile CiscoTAC-1 Device(config-call-home-profile) #</pre>	Enters the Call Home destination profile configuration submode for the specified destination profile. By default: • The CiscoTAC-1 profile is inactive. To use this profile with the Call Home service, you must enable the profile. • The CiscoTAC-1 profile sends a full report of all types of events subscribed in the profile. The alternative is to additionally configure Device (cfg-call-home-profile) # anonymous-reporting-only

	Command or Action	Purpose
		anonymous-reporting-only. When this is set, only crash, inventory, and test messages will be sent.
		Use the show call-home profile all command to check the profile status.
Step 10	active	Enables the destination profile.
	<pre>Example: Device(config-call-home-profile)# active</pre>	
Step 11	destination transport-method http{email http} Example:	Enables the message transport method. In the example, Call Home service is enabled via HTTP and transport via email is disabled.
	Device (config-call-home-profile) # destination transport-method http AND Device (config-call-home-profile) # no destination transport-method email	The no form of the command disables the method.
Step 12	destination address { email email_address http url} Example: Device(config-call-home-profile) # destination address http https://tools.cisco.com/its/service/othe/services/DDEService AND Device(config-call-home-profile) # no destination address http https://tools.cisco.com/its/service/othe/services/DDEService	destination URL is configured; and the no form of the command is configured for https:// .
Step 13	<pre>exit Example: Device(config-call-home-profile)# exit</pre>	Exits Call Home destination profile configuration mode and returns to Call Home configuration mode.
Step 14	<pre>exit Example: Device(config-call-home)# end</pre>	Exits Call Home configuration mode and returns to privileged EXEC mode.
Step 15	copy running-config startup-config Example: Device# copy running-config startup-config	Saves your entries in the configuration file.
Step 16	show call-home profile {name all}	Displays the destination profile configuration for the specified profile or all configured profiles.

Configuring the Call Home Service for Direct Cloud Access through an HTTPs Proxy Server

The Call Home service can be configured through an HTTPs proxy server. This configuration requires no user authentication to connect to CSSM.



Note

Authenticated HTTPs proxy configurations are not supported.

To configure and enable the Call Home service through an HTTPs proxy, complete the following steps:



Note

All steps are required unless specifically called-out as "(Optional)".

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your	
	Example:	password, if prompted.	
	Device> enable		
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.	
	Example:		
	Device# configure terminal		
Step 3	license smart transport callhome	Enables Call Home as the transport mode.	
	Example:		
	<pre>Device(config) # license smart transport callhome</pre>		
Step 4	service call-home	Enables the Call Home feature.	
	Example:		
	Device(config)# service call-home		
Step 5	call-home	Enters Call Home configuration mode.	
	Example:		
	Device(config)# call-home		
Step 6	http-proxy proxy-address proxy-port port-number	Configures the proxy server information to the Call Home service.	
	Example:		
	Device(config-call-home)# http-proxy 198.51.100.10 port 5000		

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 7	exit	Exits Call Home configuration mode and enters
	Example:	global configuration mode.
	Device(config-call-home)# exit	
Step 8	exit	Exits global configuration mode and enters
	Example:	privileged EXEC mode.
	Device(config)# exit	
Step 9	copy running-config startup-config	Saves your entries in the configuration file.
	Example:	
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Removing and Returning an Authorization Code

To remove and return an SLR authorization code, complete the following steps.

Before you begin

Supported topologies: all

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password, if prompted.	
Step 2	show license summary Example: Device# show license summary	Ensure that the license that you want to remove and return is not in-use. If it is in-use, you must first disable the feature.	
Step 3	license smart authorization return {all local } {offline [path] online } Example: Device# license smart authorization return all online Enter this return code in Cisco Smart Software Manager portal: UDI: PID:C9800-CL-K9, SN:93BBAH93MGS Return code: CqaUPW-WSPYiq-ZNU2ci-SnWydS-hBCXHP-MuyPqy- PJ1Gig-tPTGQj-S2h UDI: PID:C9800-CL-K9, SN:9XECPSUU4XN Return code: CNLwxR-eWiAEJ-XaTEQg-j4rrYW-dSRz9j-37VpcP-	Specify if you are connected to CSSM or not:	

Command or Action	Purpose
imjuLD-mNeA4k-TXA OR Device# license smart authorization return local offline Enter this return code in Cisco Smart Software Manager portal: UDI: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS Return code: CqaUPW-WSPYiq-ZNU2ci-SnWydS-hBCXHP-MuyPqy-PJ1GiG-tPTGQj-S2h UDI: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN Return code: CNLwxR-eWiAEJ-XaTEQg-j4rrYW-dSRz9j-37VpcP-imjuLD-mNeA4k-TXA OR Device# license smart authorization return local offline bootflash:return-code.txt	 • If connected to CSSM, enter online. The code is automatically returned to CSSM and a confirmation is returned and installed on the product instance. If you choose this option, the return code is automatically submitted to CSSM. • If not connected to CSSM, enter offline[path]. If you enter only the offline keyword, you must copy the return code that is displayed on the CLI and enter it in CSSM. If you specify a file name and path, the return code is saved in the specified location. The file format can be any readable format. For example: Device# license smart authorization return local offline bootflash:return-code.txt. For software versions Cisco IOS XE Cupertino 17.7.1 and later only: After you save the return request in a file, you can upload the file to CSSM in the same location and in the same way as you upload a RUM report: Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91. To enter the return code in CSSM, complete this task: Removing the Product Instance from CSSM, on page 88. Proceed with the next step only after you complete this step.
configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal	Enters the global configuration mode.
no license smart reservation Example: Device(config)# no license smart reservation	Disables SLR configuration on the product instance. You must complete the authorization code return process in Step 3 above - whether online or offline, before you enter the no license smart reservation command in this step. Otherwise, the return may not be reflected in CSSM or in the show command, and you will have to
	imjuLD-mNeA4k-TXA OR Device# license smart authorization return local offline Enter this return code in Cisco Smart Software Manager portal: UDI: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS Return code: CqaUPW-WSPYiq-ZNU2ci-SnWydS-hBCXHP-MuyPqy-PJ1GiG-tPTGQj-S2h UDI: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN Return code: CNLwxR-eWiAEJ-XaTEQg-j4rrYW-dSRz9j-37VpcP-imjuLD-mNeA4k-TXA OR Device# license smart authorization return local offline bootflash:return-code.txt configure terminal Example: Device# configure terminal no license smart reservation Example: Device(config)# no license smart

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 6	exit	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# exit	
Step 7	show license all	Displays licensing information. Check the
	Example:	License Authorizations header in the output. If the return process is completed correctly, the
	Device# show license all <output truncated=""> License Authorizations</output>	Last return code: field displays the return code.
	Overall status: Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS	
	Status: NOT INSTALLED Last return code: CpUFW-WSPYiq-ZNLCi-SWydS-HBCMP-MyPqy-FUIGiG-tPIQj-SZ:	
	Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN	
	Status: NOT INSTALLED Last return code: (NlwR-eWiAEJ-XallQg-j4rrW-dSR29j-3NpcP-imjulD-mNeA4k-IX <output truncated=""></output>	

Removing the Product Instance from CSSM

To remove a product instance and return all licenses to the license pool, complete the following task:

Before you begin

Supported topologies: No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU

If you are removing a product instance that is using reserved licenses (SLR) ensure that you have generated a return code as shown in Removing and Returning an Authorization Code, on page 86. (Enter it in Step 7 in this task).

Procedure

- Step 1 Log in to the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com and click Smart Software Licensing.
 - Log in using the username and password provided by Cisco.
- Step 2 Click the **Inventory** tab.
- **Step 3** From the **Virtual Account** drop-down list, choose your Virtual Account.
- Step 4 Click the Product Instances tab.

The list of product instances that are available is displayed.

- **Step 5** Locate the required product instance from the product instances list. Optionally, you can enter a name or product type string in the search tab to locate the product instance.
- **Step 6** In the **Actions** column of the product instance you want to remove, click the **Remove** link.

- If the product instance is *not* using a license with an SLR authorization code then the **Confirm Remove Product Instance** window is displayed.
- If the product instance *is* using a license with an SLR authorization code, then the **Remove Product Instance** window, with a field for return code entry is displayed.
- **Step 7** In the **Reservation Return Code** field, enter the return code you generated.

Note This step applies only if the product instance is using a license with an SLR authorization code.

Step 8 Click **Remove Product Instance**.

The license is returned to the license pool and the product instance is removed.

Generating a New Token for a Trust Code from CSSM

To generate a token to request a trust code, complete the following steps.

Generate one token for each *Virtual Account* you have. You can use same token for all the product instances that are part of one Virtual Account.

Before you begin

Supported topologies: Connected Directly to CSSM

Procedure

- Step 1 Log in to the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com and click Smart Software Licensing.
 - Log in using the username and password provided by Cisco.
- **Step 2** Click the **Inventory** tab.
- **Step 3** From the **Virtual Account** drop-down list, choose the required virtual account
- **Step 4** Click the **General** tab.
- **Step 5** Click **New Token**. The **Create Registration Token** window is displayed.
- **Step 6** In the **Description** field, enter the token description
- **Step 7** In the **Expire After** field, enter the number of days the token must be active.
- **Step 8** (Optional) **In the Max. Number of Uses** field, enter the maximum number of uses allowed after which the token expires.
- Step 9 Click Create Token.
 - If you enter a value here, ensure that you stagger the installation of the trust code on the product instances, which is the next part of the process. If you want to simultaneously install the trust code on a large number of product instances, we recommend that you leave this field blank. Entering a limit here and simultaneously installing it on a large number of devices causes a bottleneck in the processing of these requests in CSSM and installation on some devices may fail, with the following error: Failure Reason: Server error occurred:

LS LICENGINE FAIL TO CONNECT.

Step 10 You will see your new token in the list. Click Actions and download the token as a .txt file.

Installing a Trust Code

To manually install a trust code, complete the following steps

Before you begin

Supported topologies:

• Connected Directly to CSSM

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	Generating a New Token for a Trust Code from CSSM, on page 89	In case you have not completed this already, generate and download a trust code file from CSSM.
Step 2	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password, if prompted
Step 3	license smart trust idtoken id_token_value { local all } [force] Example: Device# license smart trust idtoken NGMwMjk5mYtNZaxMS00NzMZmtgWm all force	Enables you to establish a trusted connection with CSSM. For id_token_value, enter the token you generated in CSSM. Enter one of following options: • local: Submits the trust request only for the active device in a High Availability set-up. This is the default option. • all: Submits the trust request for all devices in a High Availability set-up. Enter the force keyword to submit the trust code request in spite of an existing trust code on the product instance. Trust codes are node-locked to the UDI of the product instance. If a UDI is already registered, CSSM does not allow a new registration for the same UDI. Entering the force keyword sets a force flag in the message sent to CSSM to create a new trust code even if one already exists.

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 4	show license status	Displays date and time if trust code is installed.
	Example:	Date and time are in the local time zone. See field Trust Code Installed:
	<pre><output truncated=""> Trust Code Installed: Active: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:93BBAH93MGS INSTALLED on Nov 02 08:59:26 2020 IST Standby: PID:C9800-CL-K9,SN:9XECPSUU4XN INSTALLED on Nov 02 09:00:45 2020 IST</output></pre>	

Downloading a Policy File from CSSM

If you have requested a custom policy or if you want to apply a policy that is different from the default that is applied to the product instance, complete the following task:

Before you begin

Supported topologies:

- No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU
- CSLU Disconnected from CSSM

Procedure

- Step 1 Log in to the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com and click Smart Software Licensing.

 Log in using the username and password provided by Cisco.
- **Step 2** Follow this directory path: **Reports** > **Reporting Policy**.
- Step 3 Click Download, to save the .xml policy file.

You can now install the file on the product instance. See Installing a File on the Product Instance, on page 92

Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File

You can use this task to:

- To upload a RUM report to CSSM and download an ACK.
- To upload a SLAC or SLR authorization code return request.

This applies only to the *No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU* topology and is supported starting with Cisco IOS XE Cupertino 17.7.1.

To upload a RUM report to CSSM and download an ACK when the product instance is not connected to CSSM or CSLU, complete the following task:

Before you begin

Supported topologies:

- · No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU
- CSLU Disconnected from CSSM
- SSM On-Prem Deployment (Product instance-initiated communication and SSM On-Prem-initiated communication)

Procedure

Step 1 Log in to the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com.

Log in using the username and password provided by Cisco.

- **Step 2** Select the **Smart Account** (upper left-hand corner of the screen) that will receive the report.
- **Step 3** Select Smart Software Licensing \rightarrow Reports \rightarrow Usage Data Files.
- Step 4 Click Upload Usage Data. Browse to the file location (RUM report in tar format), select, and click Upload Data.

Upload a RUM report (.tar format), or a SLAC return request file (.txt format).

You cannot delete a usage report in CSSM, after it has been uploaded.

- From the Select Virtual Accounts pop-up, select the **Virtual Account** that will receive the uploaded file. The file is uploaded to Cisco and is listed in the Usage Data Files table in the Reports screen showing the File Name, time is was Reported, which Virtual Account it was uploaded to, the Reporting Status, Number of Product Instances reported, and the Acknowledgement status.
- **Step 6** In the Acknowledgement column, click **Download** to save the .txt ACK file for the report you uploaded.

Wait for the ACK to appear in the Acknowledgement column. If there many RUM reports or requests to process, CSSM may take a few minutes.

Depending on the topology you have implemented, you can now install the file on the product instance, or transfer it to CSLU, or import it into SSM On-Prem.

Installing a File on the Product Instance

To install a SLAC, or policy, or ACK, on the product instance when the product instance is not connected to CSSM or CSLU, complete the following task:

Before you begin

Supported topologies: No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU

You must have the corresponding file saved in a location that is accessible to the product instance.

- For a policy, see Downloading a Policy File from CSSM, on page 91
- For an ACK, see Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91

Procedure

	Command or Action	Purpose	
Step 1	enable Example: Device> enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your password, if prompted	
Step 2 copy source bootflash:file-name Example: Device# copy tftp://10.8.0.6/example.tx bootflash:		Copies the file from its source location or directory to the flash memory of the product instance. • source: This is the location of the source file or directory to be copied. The source can be either local or remote • bootflash:: This is the destination for bootflash memory.	
Step 3	<pre>license smart import bootflash: file-name Example: Device# license smart import bootflash:example.txt</pre>	Imports and installs the file on the product instance. After installation, a system message displays the type of file you just installed.	
Step 4	show license all Example: Device# show license all	Displays license authorization, policy and reporting information for the product instance.	

Setting the Transport Type, URL, and Reporting Interval

To configure the mode of transport for a product instance, complete the following task:

Before you begin

Supported topologies: all

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables privileged EXEC mode. Enter your
	Example:	password, if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	

	Command or Action	Purpose	
	Example:		
	Device# configure terminal		
Step 3	license smart transport { automatic callhome cslu off smart } Example:	Configures a mode of transport for the product instance to use. Choose from the following options:	
	Device(config)# license smart transport cslu	• automatic: Sets the transport mode cslu.	
		• callhome: Enables Call Home as the transport mode.	
		• cslu : This is the default transport mode. Enter this keyword if you are using CSLU or SSM On-Prem, with product instance-initiated communication.	
		While the transport mode keyword is the same for CSLU and SSM On-Prem, the transport URLs are different. See license smart url cslu <i>cslu_or_on-prem_url</i> in the next step.	
		• off: Disables all communication from the product instance.	
		• smart: Enables Smart transport.	
Step 4	license smart url{url cslu cslu_or_on-pnem_unl default smartsnewt_unl utilitysnewt_unl} Example: Device(config) # license smart url cslu http://192.168.0.1:8182/cslu/v1/pi	Sets a URL for the configured transport mode. Depending on the transport mode you've chosen in the previous step, configure the corresponding URL here:	
		• <i>url</i> : If you have configured the transport mode as callhome , configure this option. Enter the CSSM URL exactly as follows:	
		https://tools.cisco.com/its/service/adde/services/IIIEService	
		The no license smart url <i>url</i> command reverts to the default URL.	
		• cslu cslu_or_on-prem_url: If you have configured the transport mode as cslu, configure this option with the URL for CSLU or SSM On-Prem, as applicable.	
		• If you are using CSLU, enter the URL as follows:	
		http:// <cslu_ip_or_host>:8182/cslu/v1/pi</cslu_ip_or_host>	
		For <cslu_ip_or_host>, enter the hostname or the IP address of the windows host where you have</cslu_ip_or_host>	

Command or Action	Purpose	Purpose	
	number a	installed CSLU. 8182 is the port number and it is the only port number that CSLU uses. The no license smart url cslu cslu_url command reverts to http://cslu-local:8182/cslu/v1/pi	
	cslu_url		
		• If you are using SSM On-Prem, ente the URL as follows:	
	http://<	http:// <ip>/cslu/v1/pi/<tenant< td=""></tenant<></ip>	
	IP addres have inst <tenantii< td=""><td colspan="2">For <ip>, enter the hostname or the IP address of the server where you have installed SSM On-Prem. The <tenantid> must be the default local virtual account ID.</tenantid></ip></td></tenantii<>	For <ip>, enter the hostname or the IP address of the server where you have installed SSM On-Prem. The <tenantid> must be the default local virtual account ID.</tenantid></ip>	
	Тір	You can retrieve the entire URL from SSM On-Prem. See Retrieving the Transport URL (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72	
	cslu_url	command reverts to	
	http://c	slu-local:8182/cslu/v1/pi	
	transport mod	ends on the configured e. Only the smart and cslu es are supported with this	
	configure lice CSLU URL is	t mode is set to cslu , and you nse smart url default , the s configured automatically u-local:8182/cslu/v1/pi).	
	you configure the Smart URI	t mode is set to smart , and license smart url default , is configured automatically eiver.cisco.com/licervice/license)	
	the transport t	• smart <i>smart_url</i> : If you have configured the transport type as smart , configure this option. Enter the URL exactly as follows:	
	https://smart.rece	eiver.cisco.com/licservice/license	
		nfigure this option, the atically creates a duplicate	

	Command or Action	Purpose
		of the URL in license smart url <i>url</i> . You can ignore the duplicate entry, no further action is required.
		The no license smart url smart <i>smart_url</i> command reverts to the default URL.
		• utility <i>smart_url</i> : Although available on the CLI, this option is not supported.
Step 5	license smart usage interval interval_in_days	(Optional) Sets the reporting interval in days.
	Example:	By default the RUM report is sent every 30 days. The valid value range is 1 to 3650.
	Device(config)# license smart usage interval 40	If you do not configure an interval, the reporting interval is determined entirely by the policy value.
Step 6	exit	Exits global configuration mode and returns to
	Example:	privileged EXEC mode.
	Device(config)# exit	
Step 7	copy running-config startup-config	Saves your entries in the configuration file.
	Example:	
	Device# copy running-config startup-config	

Configuring an AIR License

In the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment, you can use this task to configure a license, or change the license being used on the product instance, or configure an add-on license on the product instance. For example, if you are currently using AIR Network Advantage and you also want to use features available with a corresponding Digital Networking Architecture (DNA) Advantage license, you can configure the same using this task. Or for example, if you do not want to use an add-on license any more, reconfigure this command to use only the AIR Network Advantage license.

Information about available licenses can be found Smart Account or Virtual Account. The available licenses may be one of the following:

- AIR Network Essential
- AIR Network Advantage
- AIR DNA Essential
- AIR DNA Advantage

Starting with Cisco IOS XE Bengaluru 17.4.1, *only for EWC-APs*, you can opt-out of purchasing an AIR DNA license. The option to opt-out of AIR DNA licenses is available only through the Cisco Commerce portal. When you opt-out, Smart Licensing Using Policy functionality is disabled.

For a new product instance, this means:

Condition	Required Action	Outcome or Result
You opt-out of AIR DNA licenses	None.	Use only AIR Network Essentials. Smart Licensing Using Policy functionality is disabled on the product instance and for your Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM. License usage is not recorded, and no reporting requirements apply.
You purchase AIR DNA licenses	Enter the license air level command in global configuration mode and configure the corresponding AIR DNA license. Reload to use the corresponding license. Implement one of the supported topologies and fulfill reporting requirements. For information about implementing a topology, see the Supported Topologies section in this document.	Use the purchased AIR DNA and AIR Network license. Smart Licensing Using Policy functionality is enabled on the product instance and for your Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM.

For an existing product instance, this means:

Condition	Required Action	Outcome or Result
You are using an AIR DNA license	None.	No change. You are already in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment.
You do not want to renew the DNA license on term expiry	On term expiry, enter the license air level command in global configuration mode and configure AIR Network Essentials or AIR Network Advantage. Reload to use the corresponding license.	If you had AIR DNA Essentials, you now use AIR Network Essentials. If you had AIR DNA Advantage, you now use AIR Network Advantage. Smart Licensing Using Policy functionality is disabled on the product instance and for your Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM. License usage is not recorded, and no reporting requirements apply.

To configure or change the license in-use, follow this procedure:

Before you begin

Supported topologies: all

	Command or Action	Purpose
Step 1	enable	Enables the privileged EXEC mode. Enter your
	Example:	password, if prompted.
	Device> enable	
Step 2	configure terminal	Enters the global configuration mode.
	Example:	
	Device# configure terminal	
Step 3	license air level {air-network-advantage [addon air-dna-advantage] air-network-essentials [addon air-dna-essentials] } Example: Device(config) # license air level air-network-essentials addon air-dna-essentials	Activates the configured license on the product instance. In the accompanying example, the product instance activates the AIR DNA Essentials (along with the AIR Network Essential) license after reload. Note Prior to Cisco IOS XE Bengaluru 17.4.1, the default for EWC-APs was AIR DNA Essentials. Starting with 17.4.1, the default is AIR
		Network Essentials.
Step 4	exit	Returns to the privileged EXEC mode.
	Example:	
	Device(config)# exit	
Step 5	copy running-config startup-config	Saves configuration changes.
	Example: Device# copy running-config startup-config	
Step 6	reload	Reloads the device.
·	Example: Device# reload	
Step 7	show version	Displays currently used license and the license
	Example:	that is effective at the next reload information.
	Device# show version Cisco IOS XE Software, Version 17.03.02 Cisco IOS Software [Amsterdam], C9800-CI Software (C9800-CL-K9_IOSXE), Version 17.3.2, RELEASE SOFTWARE <output truncated=""> AIR License Level: AIR DNA Essentials Next reload AIR license Level: AIR DNA Essentials</output>	
	Smart Licensing Status: Registration Not Applicable/Not Applicable <output truncated=""></output>	

What to do next

After you configure a license level, the change is effective after a reload. To know if reporting is required, refer to the output of the **show license status** privileged EXEC command and check the Next ACK deadline: and Next report push: fields.



Note

The change in license usage is recorded on the product instance. The next steps relating to reporting - if required - depend on your current topology.

- Connected to CSSM Through CSLU
 - Product Instance-initiated communication: The product instance triggers reporting and installs the returning ACK. CSLU sends the RUM report to CSSM and collects the ACK from CSSM.
 - CSLU-initiated communication: You have to collect usage from the CSLU interface: Collecting
 Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface), on page 62. CSLU sends the RUM report to
 CSSM and collects the ACK from CSSM.
- Connected Directly to CSSM: The product instance triggers reporting and installs the returning ACK.
- CSLU Disconnected from CSSM:
 - Product Instance-initiated communication: The product instance triggers reporting. You then have
 to report usage in the disconnected mode: Export to CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 63 >
 Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91 > Import from CSSM
 (CSLU Interface), on page 64.
 - CSLU-initiated communication: You have to collect usage from the CSLU interface and report usage in the disconnected mode: Collecting Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface), on page 62> Export to CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 63 > Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91 > Import from CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 64.
- No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU: License usage is recorded on the product instance. You must save RUM reports to a file on the product instance, and from a workstation that has connectivity to the internet, and Cisco, upload it to CSSM: Enter **license smart save usage** privileged EXEC command to save usage > Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91 > Installing a File on the Product Instance, on page 92.

Sample Resource Utilization Measurement Report

The following is a sample Resource Utilization Measurement (RUM) report, in XML format (See RUM Report and Report Acknowledgement, on page 9). Several such reports may be concatenated to form one report.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
  <smartLicense>
```

</smartLicense>

Troubleshooting Smart Licensing Using Policy

This section provides the list of Smart Licensing Using Policy-related system messages you may encounter, possible reasons for failure, and recommended action.

System Message Overview

The system software sends system messages to the console (and, optionally, to a logging server on another system). Not all system messages mean problems with your system. Some messages are informational, and others can help diagnose problems with communications lines, internal hardware, or the system software.

How to Read System Messages

System log messages can contain up to 80 characters. Each system message begins with a percent sign (%) and is structured as follows:

%FACILITY-SEVERITY-MNEMONIC: Message-text

%FACILITY

Two or more uppercase letters that show the facility to which the message refers. A facility can be a hardware device, a protocol, or a module of the system software

SEVERITY

A single-digit code from 0 to 7 that reflects the severity of the condition. The lower the number, the more serious the situation.

Table 9: Message Severity Levels

Severity Level	Description	
0 - emergency	System is unusable.	
1 - alert	Immediate action required.	
2 - critical	Critical condition.	
3 - error	Error condition.	
4 - warning	Warning condition.	
5 - notification	Normal but significant condition.	
6 - informational	Informational message only.	
7 - debugging	Message that appears during debugging only.	

MNEMONIC

A code that uniquely identifies the message.

Message-text

Message-text is a text string describing the condition. This portion of the message sometimes contains detailed information about the event, including terminal port numbers, network addresses, or addresses that correspond to locations in the system memory address space. Because the information in these variable fields changes from message to message, it is represented here by short strings enclosed in square brackets ([]). A decimal number, for example, is represented as [dec].

Table 10: Variable Fields in Messages

Severity Level	Description	
[char]	Single character	
[chars]	Character string	
[dec]	Decimal number	
[enet]	Ethernet address (for example, 0000.FEED.00C0)	
[hex]	Hexadecimal number	
[inet]	Internet address (for example, 10.0.2.16)	
[int]	Integer	
[node]	Address or node name	
[t-line]	Terminal line number in octal (or in decimal if the decimal-TTY service is enabled)	
[clock]	Clock (for example, 01:20:08 UTC Tue Mar 2 1993	

System Messages

This section provides the list of Smart Licensing Using Policy-related system messages you may encounter, possible reasons for failure (incase it is a failure message), and recommended action (if action is required).

For all error messages, if you are not able to solve the problem, contact your Cisco technical support representative with the following information:

The message, exactly as it appears on the console or in the system log.

The output from the **show license tech support**, **show license history message**, and the **show platform software sl-infra** privileged EXEC commands.

- %SMART_LIC-3-POLICY_INSTALL_FAILED
- %SMART_LIC-3-AUTHORIZATION_INSTALL_FAILED
- %SMART_LIC-3-COMM_FAILED
- %SMART_LIC-3-COMM_RESTORED
- %SMART_LIC-3-POLICY_REMOVED
- %SMART LIC-3-TRUST CODE INSTALL FAILED
- %SMART_LIC-4-REPORTING_NOT_SUPPORTED

- %SMART_LIC-6-POLICY_INSTALL_SUCCESS
- %SMART_LIC-6-AUTHORIZATION_INSTALL_SUCCESS
- %SMART LIC-6-AUTHORIZATION REMOVED
- %SMART_LIC-6-REPORTING_REQUIRED
- %SMART LIC-6-TRUST CODE INSTALL SUCCESS

Error Message $SMART_LIC-3-POLICY_INSTALL_FAILED$: The installation of a new licensing policy has failed: [chars].

Explanation: A policy was installed, but an error was detected while parsing the policy code, and installation failed. [chars] is the error string with details of the failure.

Possible reasons for failure include:

- A signature mismatch: This means that the system clock is not accurate.
- A timestamp mismatch: This means the system clock on the product instance is not synchronized with CSSM.



Note

The device should have a valid clock and the NTP configuration.

Recommended Action:

For both possible failure reasons, ensure that the system clock is accurate and synchronized with CSSM. Configure the **ntp server** command in global configuration mode. For example:

```
Device(config) # ntp server 198.51.100.100 version 2 prefer
```

If the above does not work and policy installation still fails, and contact your Cisco technical support representative.

Error Message %SMART_LIC-3-AUTHORIZATION_INSTALL_FAILED: The install of a new licensing authorization code has failed on [chars]: [chars].

This message is not applicable to Cisco Catalyst Access, Core, and Aggregation Switches, because there are no enforced or export-controlled licenses on these product instances.

Error Message %SMART_LIC-3-COMM_FAILED: Communications failure with the [chars] :
[chars]

Explanation: Smart Licensing communication either with CSSM, or CSLU, or SSM On-Prem failed. The first [chars] is the currently configured transport type, and the second [chars] is the error string with details of the failure. This message appears for every communication attempt that fails.

Possible reasons for failure include:

• CSSM, CSLU, SSM On-Prem is not reachable: This means that there is a network reachability problem.

• 404 host not found: This means the CSSM server is down.

For topologies where the product instance initiates the sending of RUM reports (Connected to CSSM Through CSLU: Product Instance-Initiated Communication, Connected Directly to CSSM, CSLU Disconnected from CSSM: Product Instance-Initiated Communication, and SSM On-Prem Deployment: Product Instance-Initiated Communication) if this communication failure message coincides with scheduled reporting (**license smart usage interval** *interval_in_days* global configuration command), the product instance attempts to send out the RUM report for up to four hours after the scheduled time has expired. If it is still unable to send out the report (because the communication failure persists), the system resets the interval to 15 minutes. Once the communication failure is resolved, the system reverts the reporting interval to last configured value.

Recommended Action:

Troubleshooting steps are provided for when CSSM is not reachable or there is a missing client certificate, when CSLU is not reachable, and when SSM On-Prem is not reachable.

- If CSSM is not reachable and the configured transport type is **smart**:
- Check if the smart URL is configured correctly. Use the show license status command in privileged EXEC mode, to check if the URL is exactly as follows: https://smartreceiver.cisco.com/licservice/ license. If it is not, reconfigure the license smart url smart smar_URL command in global configuration mode.
- 2. Check DNS resolution. Verify that the product instance can ping smartreceiver.cisco.com or the nslookup translated IP. The following example shows how to ping the translated IP

```
Device# ping 171.70.168.183

Type escape sequence to abort.

Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 171.70.168.183, timeout is 2 seconds: !!!!!

Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 1/1/2 ms
```

- If CSSM is not reachable and the configured transport type is **callhome**:
- Check if the URL is entered correctly. Use the show license status command in privileged EXEC mode, to check if the URL is exactly as follows: https://tools.cisco.com/its/service/oddce/services/DDCEService.
- 2. Check if Call Home profile CiscotAC-1 is active and destination URL is correct. Use the show call-home profile all command in privileged EXEC mode:

```
Current smart-licensing transport settings:
   Smart-license messages: enabled
   Profile: CiscoTAC-1 (status: ACTIVE)
   Destination URL(s): https://tools.cisco.com/its/service/oddce/services/DDCEService
```

3. Check DNS Resolution. Verify that the product instance can ping tools.cisco.com, or the nslookup translated IP.

```
Device# ping tools.cisco.com
Type escape sequence to abort.
Sending 5, 100-byte ICMP Echos to 173.37.145.8, timeout is 2 seconds:
!!!!!
Success rate is 100 percent (5/5), round-trip min/avg/max = 41/41/42 ms
```

If the above does not work check the following: if the product instance is set, if the product instance IP network is up. To ensure that the network is up, configure the **no shutdown** command in interface configuration mode.

Check if the device is subnet masked with a subnet IP, and if the DNS IP is configured.

4. Verify that the HTTPs client source interface is correct.

Use the **show ip http client** command in privileged EXEC mode to display current configuration. Use **ip http client source-interface** command in global configuration mode to reconfigure it.

In case the above does not work, double-check your routing rules, and firewall settings.

- If CSLU is not reachable:
- 1. Check if CSLU discovery works.
 - Zero-touch DNS discovery of cslu-local or DNS discovery of your domain..

In the **show license all** command output, check if the Last ACK received: field. If this has a recent timestamp it means that the product instance has connectivity with CSLU. If it is not, proceed with the following checks:

Check if the product instance is able to ping confirms that the product instance is reachable.

If the above does not work, configure the name server with an entry where hostname <code>cslu-local</code> is mapped to the CSLU IP address (the windows host where you installed CSLU). Configure the **ip domain name** and **ip name-server** server-address commands in global configuration mode. Here the CSLU IP is 192.168.0.1 and name-server creates entry <code>cslu-local.example.com</code>:

```
Device(config) # ip domain name example.com
Device(config) # ip name-server 192.168.0.1
```

CSLU URL is configured.

In the **show license all** command output, under the Transport: header check the following: The Type: must be csluand Cslu address: must have the hostname or the IP address of the windows host where you have installed CSLU. Check if the rest of the address is configured as shown below and check if the port number is 8182.

```
Transport:
  Type: cslu
  Cslu address: http://192.168.0.1:8182/cslu/v1/pi
```

If it is not, configure the **license smart transport cslu** and **license smart url cslu** *http://<cslu_ip_or_host>:8182/cslu/v1/pi* commands in global configuration mode

2. For CSLU-initiated communication, in addition to the CSLU discovery checks listed above, check the following:

Verify HTTP connectivity. Use the **show ip http server session-module** command in privileged EXEC mode. In the output, under header HTTP server current connections:, check that SL_HTTP is active. If it is not re-configure the **ip http** commands as mentioned in Ensuring Network Reachability for CSLU-Initiated Communication, on page 64

From a Web browser on the device where CSLU is installed, verify https://cproduct-instance-ip>/. This ensures that the REST API from CSLU to the product instance works as expected.

• If SSM On-Prem is not reachable:

1. For product instance-initiated communication, check if the SSM On-Prem transport type and URL are configured correctly.

In the **show license all** command output, under the Transport: header check the following: The Type: must be csluand Cslu address: must have the hostname or the IP address of the server where you have installed SSM On-Prem and <tenantID> of the *default* local virtual account. See the example below:

```
Transport:
   Type: cslu
   Cslu address: https://192.168.0.1/cslu/v1/pi/on-prem-default
```

Check if you have the correct URL from SSM On-Prem (Retrieving the Transport URL (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72) and then configure **license smart transport cslu** and **license smart url cslu** *http://cip>/cslu/v1/pi/<tenant ID>* commands in global configuration mode.

Check that you have configured any other required commands for your network as mentioned in Ensuring Network Reachability for Product Instance-Initiated Communication, on page 69.

2. For SSM On-Prem-initiated communication, check HTTPs connectivity.

Use the **show ip http server session-module** command in privileged EXEC mode. In the output, under header HTTP server current connections:, check that SL_HTTP is active. If it is not re-configure the **ip http** commands as mentioned in Ensuring Network Reachability for SSM On-Prem-Initiated Communication, on page 74.

3. Check trustpoint and that certificates are accepted.

For both forms of communication in an SSM On-Prem Deployment, ensure that the correct trustpoint is used and that the necessary certificates are accepted:

```
Device(config) # crypto pki trustpoint SLA-TrustPoint
Device(ca-trustpoint) #
Device(ca-trustpoint) # enrollment terminal
Device(ca-trustpoint) # revocation-check none
Device(ca-trustpoint) # end
Device# copy running-config startup-config
```

If the above does not work and policy installation still fails, contact your Cisco technical support representative.

Explanation: Product instance communication with either the CSSM, or CSLU, or SSM On-Prem is restored.

Recommended Action: No action required.

Error Message %SMART LIC-3-POLICY REMOVED: The licensing policy has been removed.

Explanation: A previously installed *custom* licensing policy has been removed. The Cisco default policy is then automatically effective. This may cause a change in the behavior of smart licensing.

Possible reasons for failure include:

If you have entered the **license smart factory reset** command in privileged EXEC mode all licensing information including the policy is removed.

Recommended Action:

If the policy was removed intentionally, then no further action is required.

If the policy was removed inadvertantly, you can reapply the policy. Depending on the topology you have implemented, follow the corresponding method to retrieve the policy:

• Connected Directly to CSSM:

Enter **show license status**, and check field Trust Code Installed: If trust is established, then CSSM will automatically return the policy again. The policy is automatically re-installed on product instances of the corresponding Virtual Account.

If trust has not been established, complete these tasks: Generating a New Token for a Trust Code from CSSM, on page 89 and Installing a Trust Code, on page 90. When you have completed these tasks, CSSM will automatically return the policy again. The policy is then automatically installed on all product instances of that Virtual Account.

- Connected to CSSM Through CSLU:
 - For product instance-initiatied communication), enter the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode. The synchronization request causes CSLU to push the missing information (a policy or authurization code) to the product instance.
 - For CSLU-initiated communication, complete this task: Collecting Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface), on page 62. This causes CSLU to detect and re-furnish the missing policy in an ACK response.
- CSLU Disconnected from CSSM:
 - For product instance-initiatied communication), enter the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode. The synchronization request causes CSLU to push the missing information (a policy or authurization code) to the product instance. Then complete these tasks in the given order:Export to CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 63 > Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91 > Import from CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 64.
 - For CSLU-initiated communication, complete this task: Collecting Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface), on page 62. This causes CSLU to detect and re-furnish the missing policy in an ACK response. Then complete these tasks in the given order: Export to CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 63 > Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91 > Import from CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 64.
- · No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU

If you are in an entirely air-gapped network, from a workstation that has connectivity to the internet and CSSM complete this task: Downloading a Policy File from CSSM, on page 91.

Then complete this task on the product instance: Installing a File on the Product Instance, on page 92.

- SSM On-Prem Deployment
 - For product instance-initiatied communication), enter the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode. The causes the product instance to synchronize with SSM On-Prem and restore any required or missing information. Then synchronize SSM On-Prem with CSSM if required:
 - For SSM On-Prem-initiated communication: In the SSM On-Prem UI, navigate to **Reports** > **Synchronisation pull schedule with the devices** > **Synchronise now with the device**.

For both forms of communication in an SSM On-Prem Deployment, synchronize with CSSM using either option:

- SSM On-Prem is connected to CSSM: In the SSM On-Prem UI, Smart Licensing workspace, nagivate
 to Reports > Usage Schedules > Synchronize now with Cisco.
- SSM On-Prem is not connected to CSSM: Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72.

Error Message %SMART_LIC-3-TRUST_CODE_INSTALL_FAILED: The install of a new licensing trust code has failed on [chars]: [chars].

Explanation: Trust code installation has failed. The first [chars] is the UDI where trust code installation was attempted. The second [chars] is the error string with details of the failure.

Possible reasons for failure include:

- A trust code is already installed: Trust codes are node-locked to the UDI of the product instance. If the UDI is already registered, and you try to install another one, installation fails.
- Smart Account-Virtual Account mismatch: This means the Smart Account or Virtual Account (for which the token ID was generated) does not include the product instance on which you installed the trust code. The token generated in CSSM, applies at the Smart Account or Virtual Account level and applies only to all product instances in that account.
- A signature mismatch: This means that the system clock is not accurate.
- Timestamp mismatch: This means the product instance time is not synchronized with CSSM, and can cause installation to fail.

Recommended Action:

- A trust code is already installed: If you want to install a trust code inspite of an existing trust code on the product instance, re-configure the **license smart trust idtoken** *id_token_value* { **local** | **all** } [force] command in privileged EXEC mode, and be sure to include the force keyword this time. Entering the force keyword sets a force flag in the message sent to CSSM to create a new trust code even if one already exists.
- Smart Account-Virtual Account mismatch:

Log in to the CSSM Web UI at https://software.cisco.com and click **Smart Software Licensing>Inventory** > **Product Instances**.

Check if the product instance on which you want to generate the token is listed in the selected Virtual Account. If it is, proceed to the next step. If not, check and select the correct Smart Account and Virtual

Account. Then complete these tasks again: Generating a New Token for a Trust Code from CSSM, on page 89 and Installing a Trust Code, on page 90.

• Timestamp mismatch and signature mismatch: Configure the **ntp server** command in global configuration mode. For example:

Device(config) # ntp server 198.51.100.100 version 2 prefer

Error Message %SMART_LIC-4-REPORTING_NOT_SUPPORTED: The CSSM OnPrem that this product instance is connected to is down rev and does not support the enhanced policy and usage reporting mode.

Explanation: Cisco Smart Software Manager On-Prem (formerly known as Cisco Smart Software Manager satellite) is supported in the Smart Licensing Using Policy environment starting with Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.3 only (See SSM On-Prem, on page 5). In *unsupported* releases, the product instance will behave as follows:

- Stop sending registration renewals and authorization renewals.
- Start recording usage and saving RUM reports locally.

Recommended Action:

You have the following options:

- Refer to and implement one of the supported topologies instead. See: Supported Topologies, on page 10.
- Upgrade to a release where SSM On-Prem is supported with Smart Licensing Using Policy. See Migrating to a Version of SSM On-Prem That Supports Smart Licensing Using Policy, on page 57.

Error Message %SMART_LIC-6-POLICY_INSTALL_SUCCESS: A new licensing policy was successfully installed.

Explanation: A policy was installed in one of the following ways:

- Using Cisco IOS commands.
- CSLU-initiated communication.
- As part of an ACK response.

Recommended Action: No action is required. If you want to know which policy is applied (the policy in-use) and its reporting requirements, enter the **show license all** command in privileged EXEC mode.

Error Message %SMART_LIC-6-AUTHORIZATION_INSTALL_SUCCESS: A new licensing authorization code was successfully installed on: [chars].

This message is not applicable to Cisco Catalyst Access, Core, and Aggregation Switches, because there are no enforced or export-controlled licenses on these product instances.

Error Message %SMART_LIC-6-AUTHORIZATION_REMOVED: A licensing authorization code has been removed from [chars]

Explanation: [chars] is the UDI where the authorization code was installed. The authorization code has been removed. This removes the licenses from the product instance and may cause a change in the behavior of smart licensing and the features using licenses.

Recommended Action: No action is required. If you want to see the current state of the license, enter the **show license all** command in privileged EXEC mode.

Error Message %SMART_LIC-6-REPORTING_REQUIRED: A Usage report acknowledgement will be required in [dec] days.

Explanation: This is an alert which means that RUM reporting to Cisco is required. [dec] is the amount of time (in days) left to meet this reporting requirements.

Recommended Action: Ensure that RUM reports are sent within the requested time. The topology you have implemented determines the reporting method.

- Connected to CSSM Through CSLU
 - For product instance-initiatied communication: Enter the license smart sync command in privileged EXEC mode. If CSLU is currently logged into CSSM the reports will be automatically sent to the associated Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM.
 - For CSLU-initiated communication, complete this task: Collecting Usage Reports: CSLU Initiated (CSLU Interface), on page 62.
- Connected Directly to CSSM: Enter the license smart sync command in privileged EXEC mode.
- Connected to CSSM Through a Controller: If the product instance is managed by a controller, the controller will send the RUM report at the scheduled time.

If you are using Cisco DNA Center as the controller, you have the option of ad-hoc reporting. See the *Cisco DNA Center Administrator Guide* of the required release (Release 2.2.2 onwards) > *Manage Licenses* > *Upload Resource Utilization Details to CSSM*.

- CSLU Disconnected from CSSM: If the product instance is connected to CSLU, synchronize with the product instance as shown for "Connected to CSSM Through CSLU"above, then complete these tasks: Export to CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 63, Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91, and Import from CSSM (CSLU Interface), on page 64.
- No Connectivity to CSSM and No CSLU: Enter the **license smart save usage** command in privileged EXEC mode, to save the required usage information in a file. Then, from a workstation where you have

connectivity to CSSM, complete these tasks: Uploading Data or Requests to CSSM and Downloading a File, on page 91 > Installing a File on the Product Instance, on page 92.

• SSM On-Prem Deployment:

Synchronize the product instance with SSM On-Prem:

- For product instance-initiatied communication: Enter the **license smart sync** command in privileged EXEC mode. If CSLU is currently logged into CSSM the reports will be automatically sent to the associated Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM.
- For SSM On-Prem-initiated communication, complete this task: In the SSM On-Prem UI, navigate to Reports > Synchronisation pull schedule with the devices > Synchronise now with the device.

Synchronize usage information with CSSM (choose one)

- SSM On-Prem is connected to CSSM: In the SSM On-Prem UI, Smart Licensing workspace, nagivate to **Reports** > **Usage Schedules** > **Synchronize now with Cisco**.
- SSM On-Prem is not connected to CSSM: Exporting and Importing Usage Data (SSM On-Prem UI), on page 72.

Error Message %SMART_LIC-6-TRUST_CODE_INSTALL_SUCCESS: A new licensing trust code was successfully installed on [chars].

Explanation:[chars] is the UDI where the trust code was successfully installed.

Recommended Action: No action is required. If you want to verify that the trust code is installed, enter the **show license status** command in privileged EXEC mode. Look for the updated timestamp under header Trust Code Installed: in the output.

Additional References for Smart Licensing Using Policy

Торіс	Document Title
For complete syntax and usage information for the commands used in this chapter, see the Command Reference of the corresponding release.	Cisco Catalyst 9800 Series Wireless Controller Command Reference
Cisco Smart Software Manager Help	Smart Software Manager Help
Cisco Smart License Utility (CSLU) installation and user guides	Cisco Smart License Utility Quick Start Setup Guide
	Cisco Smart License Utility User Guide

Feature History for Smart Licensing Using Policy

This table provides release and related information for features explained in this module.

These features are available on all releases subsequent to the one they were introduced in, unless noted otherwise.

Release	Feature	Feature Information
Cisco IOS XE Gibraltar 16.10.1	Smart Licensing	A cloud-based, software license management solution that allows you to manage and track the status of your license, hardware, and software usage trends.
Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.2a	Smart Licensing Using Policy	An enhanced version of Smart Licensing, with the overarching objective of providing a licensing solution that does not interrupt the operations of your network, rather, one that enables a compliance relationship to account for the hardware and software licenses you purchase and use.
		Starting with this release, Smart Licensing Using Policy is automatically enabled on the device. This is also the case when you upgrade to this release.
		By default, your Smart Account and Virtual Account in CSSM is enabled for Smart Licensing Using Policy.
	Cisco DNA Center Support for Smart Licensing Using Policy	Cisco DNA Center supports Smart Licensing Using Policy functionality starting with Cisco DNA Center Release 2.2.2. When you use Cisco DNA Center to manage a product instance, Cisco DNA Center connects to CSSM, and is the interface for all communication to and from CSSM.
		For information about the comptabile controller and product instance versions, see Controller, on page 4.
		For information about this topology, see Connected to CSSM Through a Controller, on page 14 and Workflow for Topology: Connected to CSSM Through a Controller, on page 31.

Release	Feature	Feature Information
Cisco IOS XE Amsterdam 17.3.3	Smart Software Manager On-Prem (SSM On-Prem) Support for Smart Licensing Using Policy	SSM On-Prem is an asset manager, which works in conjunction with CSSM. It enables you to administer products and licenses on your premises instead of having to directly connect to CSSM.
		For information about the comptabile SSM On-Prem and product instance versions, see: SSM On-Prem, on page 5.
		For an overview of this topology, and to know how to implement it see SSM On-Prem Deployment, on page 16 and Workflow for Topology: SSM On-Prem Deployment, on page 33.
		For information about migrating from an exisiting version of SSM On-Prem, to one that supports Smart Licensing Using Policy, see Migrating to a Version of SSM On-Prem That Supports Smart Licensing Using Policy, on page 57.
Cisco IOS XE Bengaluru 17.4.1	Option to opt-out of AIR DNA licenses and change in default license level for EWC-APs.	The option to opt-out of purchasing an AIR DNA license was introduced. This option is available only through the Cisco Commerce portal. When you opt-out, you use only the AIR Network Essentials license, and Smart Licensing Using Policy functionality is disabled on the product instance. For more information, see the Configuring an AIR License section in this guide. Starting with this release, the default license on an EWC-AP was also changed to AIR Network Essentials.