



About this Guide



Note The documentation set for this product strives to use bias-free language. For purposes of this documentation set, bias-free is defined as language that does not imply discrimination based on age, disability, gender, racial identity, ethnic identity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, and intersectionality. While any existing biased terms are being substituted, exceptions may be present in the documentation due to language that is hardcoded in the user interfaces of the product software, language used based on RFP documentation, or language that is used by a referenced third-party product.

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This guide describes the Cisco Common Data Layer (CDL) and includes infrastructure and interfaces, feature descriptions, specification compliance, session flows, configuration instructions, and CLI commands for monitoring and troubleshooting the system.

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Conventions Used

The following tables describe the conventions used throughout this documentation.

| Notice Type | Description |
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| Information Note | Provides information about important features or instructions. |
| Caution | Alerts you of potential damage to a program, device, or system. |
| Warning | Alerts you of potential personal injury or fatality. May also alert you of potential electrical hazards. |

| Typeface Conventions | Description |
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| Text represented as a screen display | This typeface represents displays that appear on your terminal screen, for example: Login: |

| Typeface Conventions | Description |
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| Text represented as commands | <p>This typeface represents commands that you enter, for example:</p> <p>show ip access-list</p> <p>This document always gives the full form of a command in lowercase letters. Commands are not case sensitive.</p> |
| Text represented as a command <i>variable</i> | <p>This typeface represents a variable that is part of a command, for example:</p> <p>show card <i>slot_number</i></p> <p><i>slot_number</i> is a variable representing the desired chassis slot number.</p> |
| Text represented as menu or sub-menu names | <p>This typeface represents menus and sub-menus that you access within a software application, for example:</p> <p>Click the File menu, then click New</p> |