



Release Notes for Cisco Enhanced Device Interface 2.0

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Introduction

Cisco E-DI 2.0 is a new release of Cisco E-DI.

Cisco E-DI provides a comprehensive management interface for configuration of Cisco devices. Cisco E-DI offers interfaces for two categories of users - the human user interacting with network devices through the command line interface (CLI), and management applications interacting with network devices through an XML programmatic interface (see *Cisco Enhanced Device Interface Programmer's Guide, 2.0*).

Installation

Refer to the *Cisco E-DI Quick Start Guide 2.0* for details to install, configure and start using Cisco E-DI.

Incremental Device Updates

IDUs allow Cisco E-DI to be updated with support for new device packages.

The device packages listed in [Table 2](#) are included in this build.

The device packages listed in [Table 3](#) are available through CCO. To add these packages, the Cisco E-DI administrator can login to CCO, specify the Cisco E-DI version, and download the files for the device packages. See <http://www.cisco.com/kobayashi/sw-center/sw-netmgmt.shtml>. Once the required device package files are downloaded, they can be copied to Cisco E-DI, and installed using the maintenance shell. Refer to *Cisco E-DI Quick Start Guide 2.0* for details of the installation process.

Important Notes

Forbidden Commands

Administrator can restrict certain native device commands that can be executed on the device using the **exec-cmd** command. These commands can be added to /user/admin/forbiddenCommands file. Each command must be entered on a separate line. Users will not be allowed to execute any command that matches or starts with the commands entered in the file. Use **edit** command to edit this file. Only the Administrator is allowed to edit. The default content of forbiddenCommands file is as follows: **er** <cr> **erase** <cr> **wr** <cr> **write** <cr> **re** <cr> **reload**.

Known Caveats With This Release

Open Caveats

Table 1 Open Caveats

Identifier	Title	Impact	Workaround
CSCeh59930	The editor process (opened using the edit command) or the perl process are not closed when the user session times out.	This might effect the performance of Cisco E-DI if too many sessions are opened.	None.
CSCeh67305	Startup config is retrieved even though it has been erased on device. The configuration is retrieved from the archives on Cisco E-DI.	None.	None.

Table 1 ***Open Caveats (continued)***

Identifier	Title	Impact	Workaround
CSCjh00074	The security check for file and directory operations using perl commands fails.	A Cisco E-DI perl script user with less privileges can perform operations that the user is not authorized to.	Limit the usage of perl scripts for manipulating the Cisco E-DI file system.
CSCeh94947	The device status shows offline when SNMP connectivity fails but Telnet connectivity exists.	Device status is misleading.	Check SNMP credentials on Cisco E-DI configuration and on the NE.
CSCeh73442	The utility command snmp oidlookup fails with an internal error message.	None.	Cisco MIB lookups can be performed online at http://www.cisco.com/public/sw-center/netmgmt/cmtk/mibs.shtml .
CSCeh77656	In group config mode, interface selection behavior is inconsistent.	Interface selection is not allowed in group config mode, except in the interface configuration.	Do the same operation on individual devices.
CSCei09354	A user with netoperator privileges cannot view locks acquired.	The user will be unable to see the locks acquired on the devices in their domain.	Try acquiring the lock on the desired device. If another user has acquired a lock already, the operation will fail indicating the owner.
CSCei10176	http-raw-request command is handled incorrectly on XML PI.	Inconsistencies in XML PI behavior will be seen when http-raw-request submode is part of the configuration of a device.	None.

Table 1 **Open Caveats (continued)**

Identifier	Title	Impact	Workaround
CSCin88776	Unable to close editor in Telnet and SSH.	The editor cannot be closed in Telnet or SSH sessions when opened through certain clients like MS-DOS.	Use applications such as Putty.
CSCin93495	Cisco E-DI does not support concurrent connections beyond 64.	A user cannot open more than 64 concurrent sessions on Cisco E-DI.	None.
CSCjh00139	In connect exec mode the write commands do not ask for confirmation.	It is possible to inadvertently perform destructive operations through connect exec mode.	Exercise caution when using the connect exec mode.
CSCei17032	Download of files from ftp-server works only for anonymous users.	Download operation fails if anonymous user access is disabled on FTP server.	Use download http://url or copy tftp://TFTPServer commands to download files from external servers
CSCin93297	The derived credential set will inherit the credentials from a parent set when it is re-created after deletion.	Inconsistencies in the state of devices may be seen.	Do not create a credential set with different credentials than the original parent set, and the same name.

Known Limitations with IDUs

Cisco IOS Devices

The following are known limitations with the Incremental Device Updates (IDUs) for the Cisco IOS devices listed in [Table 2](#) and [Table 3](#):

1. Implicit support provides a super-set/sub-set CLI of what is supported on a particular device type.

2. The following commands are not supported in network config mode:
 - a. do
 - b. define
 - c. interface range
 - d. default
 - e. help
3. Only the following commands are supported in network exec mode:
 - a. clear
 - b. clock
 - c. erase
 - d. show
 - e. write
4. Complete syntax checking for some commands in the following scenarios may be not be available:
 - a. access-list (syntax checks available to depth 7)
 - b. redistribute (syntax checks available to depth 5)—The user will see a customized node **WORD** with description **Command Parameters**. This node will accept any syntax, and will recurse to an infinite depth.
5. Some commands may not have a <cr>. This can occur for deprecated commands or any Cisco IOS commands that need special handling.
6. Hidden commands supported by Cisco IOS will not be supported through Cisco E-DI.

CatOS Devices

The following are known limitations with the Incremental Device Updates (IDUs) for the Cisco CatOS devices listed in [Table 2](#) and [Table 3](#):

1. Implicit support provides a super-set/sub-set CLI of what is supported on a particular device type.

2. Only the following commands are supported in network config mode:
 - a. set
 - b. clear
 - c. commit
3. Only the following commands are supported in network exec mode:
 - a. show
 - b. history
 - c. disconnect
 - d. reconfirm
 - e. reset
 - f. slip
 - g. switch
 - h. rollback
4. Complete syntax checking for some commands in the following scenarios may not be available:
 - a. set vlan <vlan> name
 - b. set security acl—The user will see a customized node WORD with description Command Parameters. This node will accept any syntax and will recurse to an infinite depth.
5. Some commands may not have a <cr>. This can occur for deprecated commands or any CatOS commands that need special handling.
6. Hidden commands supported by CatOS will not be supported through Cisco E-DI.
7. Interactive commands that require user input after a carriage-return is typed will not be not supported. For example :
 - issc-6509-2> (enable) set password
 - issc-6509-2> (enable) set enablepass

Devices Supported by Cisco E-DI

The device packages listed in [Table 2](#) are included in this build.

The device packages listed in [Table 3](#) are available through CCO. See <http://www.cisco.com/kobayashi/sw-center/sw-netmgmt.shtml>.


Note

When additional device packages are supported, they will be made available through CCO.

Table 2 *IDUs Available on Cisco E-DI Product CD-ROM*

IDU	OS Version	IDU Version
Cisco12000	12.0(27)S5	1.1
Cisco7600	12.2(18)SXD4	1.1
Cat6500	12.1(11b)E1, 12.2(17d)SXB6	1.2
Cisco1700	12.2(15)T14, 12.3(8)T6	1.2
Cat6500CatOS	7.6(6)	1.1
Cat3550	12.1(14)EA1a, 12.1(22)EA2	1.2
Cat4000	12.1(19)EW1	1.1
Cisco7200	12.2(13)T14	1.1
Cat2950	12.1(13)EA1c	1.1
Cisco2600	12.1(17), 12.2(24a)	1.2

Table 3 *IDUs Available on CCO*

IDU	OS Version	IDU Version
Cisco800	12.3(8)T7	1.1
CiscoAP350IOS	12.3(2)JA2	1.1
Cat3750	12.1(19)EA1a	1.1

Devices Not Supported by Cisco E-DI

The list of unsupported devices can be seen using the command **show devices**. An asterisk (*) indicates that a device is not supported, and an IDU is not available.

Related Documentation

Refer to the following publications for additional information:

- *Cisco Enhanced Device Interface Quick Start Guide, 2.0*
- *Cisco Enhanced Device Interface User's Guide, 2.0*
- *Cisco Enhanced Device Interface Programmer's Guide, 2.0*
- *Cisco IDU Read-me Files*

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- Nonemergencies—psirt@cisco.com

**Tip**

We encourage you to use Pretty Good Privacy (PGP) or a compatible product to encrypt any sensitive information that you send to Cisco. PSIRT can work from encrypted information that is compatible with PGP versions 2.x through 8.x.

Never use a revoked or an expired encryption key. The correct public key to use in your correspondence with PSIRT is the one that has the most recent creation date in this public key server list:

<http://pgp.mit.edu:11371/pks/lookup?search=psirt%40cisco.com&op=index&exact=on>

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- 1 877 228-7302
- 1 408 525-6532

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Note

Use the Cisco Product Identification (CPI) tool to locate your product serial number before submitting a web or phone request for service. You can access the CPI tool from the Cisco Technical Support Website by clicking the **Tools & Resources** link under Documentation & Tools. Choose **Cisco Product Identification Tool** from the Alphabetical Index drop-down list, or click the **Cisco Product Identification Tool** link under Alerts & RMAs. The CPI tool offers three search options: by product ID or model name; by tree view; or for certain products, by copying and pasting **show** command output. Search results show an illustration of your product with the serial number label location highlighted. Locate the serial number label on your product and record the information before placing a service call.

Submitting a Service Request

Using the online TAC Service Request Tool is the fastest way to open S3 and S4 service requests. (S3 and S4 service requests are those in which your network is minimally impaired or for which you require product information.) After you describe your situation, the TAC Service Request Tool provides recommended solutions. If your issue is not resolved using the recommended resources, your service request is assigned to a Cisco engineer. The TAC Service Request Tool is located at this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/techsupport/servicerequest>

For S1 or S2 service requests or if you do not have Internet access, contact the Cisco TAC by telephone. (S1 or S2 service requests are those in which your production network is down or severely degraded.) Cisco engineers are assigned immediately to S1 and S2 service requests to help keep your business operations running smoothly.

To open a service request by telephone, use one of the following numbers:

Asia-Pacific: +61 2 8446 7411 (Australia: 1 800 805 227)

EMEA: +32 2 704 55 55

USA: 1 800 553-2447

For a complete list of Cisco TAC contacts, go to this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/techsupport/contacts>

Definitions of Service Request Severity

To ensure that all service requests are reported in a standard format, Cisco has established severity definitions.

Severity 1 (S1)—Your network is “down,” or there is a critical impact to your business operations. You and Cisco will commit all necessary resources around the clock to resolve the situation.

Severity 2 (S2)—Operation of an existing network is severely degraded, or significant aspects of your business operation are negatively affected by inadequate performance of Cisco products. You and Cisco will commit full-time resources during normal business hours to resolve the situation.

Severity 3 (S3)—Operational performance of your network is impaired, but most business operations remain functional. You and Cisco will commit resources during normal business hours to restore service to satisfactory levels.

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