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Minimum Recommended Cisco NX-OS Releases for Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switches

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This document lists the minimum recommended Cisco NX-OS software release for use with Cisco Nexus 5000 Series switches for both new deployments and existing deployments. Since these are minimum release recommendations, more recent software releases can be used to take advantage of newer hardware and software capabilities. These recommendations are general and should not replace environment specific design review efforts.

General Recommendation for New Deployments

Cisco recommends that customers with new Cisco Nexus 5000 Series deployments choose from the following minimum recommended releases:

- Cisco NX-OS Release 5.2(1)N1(4) is the recommended release for general features and functions.
- Cisco NX-OS Release 5.1(3)N2(1c) is the minimum recommended release for general features and functions.

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

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

Documentation and Software

For additional information, see the [Cisco Nexus 5000 Series Switches](#) product documentation page.

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