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This publication is for experienced network administrators who are responsible for configuring and maintaining Catalyst 4500 series switches.

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Organization

This chapter describes the contents of each chapter in this document.

Chapter	Title	Description
Chapter 1	Command-Line Interface	Describes the Catalyst 4500 series switch CLI.
Chapter 2	Cisco IOS Commands for the Catalyst 4500 Series Switches	Lists all Catalyst 4500 series Cisco IOS commands alphabetically and provides detailed information on each command.
Appendix A	Abbreviations	Defines the acronyms used in this publication.

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- *Catalyst 4500 Series Switch Installation Guide*
- *Catalyst 4500 Series Switch Supervisor Engine Installation Note*
- *Catalyst 4500 Series Switch Cisco IOS Software Configuration Guide*
- *Catalyst 4500 Series Switch Cisco IOS System Message Guide*
- *Release Notes for Catalyst 4500 Series Switch Software*



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- Cisco IOS Release 12.2 Configuration Guides
- Cisco IOS Release 12.2 Command References

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Command Syntax Conventions

[Table 1](#) describes the syntax used with the commands in this document.

Table 1 **Command Syntax Guide**

Convention	Description
boldface	Commands and keywords.
<i>italic</i>	Command input that is supplied by you.
[]	Keywords or arguments that appear within square brackets are optional.
{ x x x }	A choice of keywords (represented by x) appears in braces separated by vertical bars. You must select one.

Table 1 **Command Syntax Guide**

Convention	Description
^ or Ctrl	Represent the key labeled <i>Control</i> . For example, when you read ^D or Ctrl-D, you should hold down the Control key while you press the D key.
screen font	Examples of information displayed on the screen.
boldface screen font	Examples of information that you must enter.
< >	Nonprinting characters, such as passwords, appear in angled brackets.
[]	Default responses to system prompts appear in square brackets.

Notes use this convention:

**Note**

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**Caution**

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