

Release Notes for Cisco Aironet Access Points and Bridges for Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB2

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These release notes describe features, enhancements, and caveats for Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB2. This release supports the following Cisco Aironet autonomous access points:

- AP1260
- AP 1040
- AP 1140
- AP 3500i
- AP 3500e
- AP 3600i
- AP 3600e
- AP 2600i
- AP 2600e
- AP 1600i
- AP 1600e
- AP 1550

Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB2 does not support the following Cisco Aironet access points:

- AP 1130
- AP 1240
- AP 1250
- AP 1310





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Introduction

The Cisco Aironet Access Point is a wireless LAN transceiver that acts as the connection point between wireless and wired networks or as the center point of a standalone wireless network. In large installations, the roaming functionality provided by multiple access points enables wireless users to move freely throughout the facility while maintaining uninterrupted access to the network.

System Requirements

You can install the 32 MB Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB2 on all 1260, 1040, 1140, 3500i, 3500e, 3600i, 3600e, 2600i, 2600e, 1600i, 1600e, and 1550 series access points.

Finding the Cisco IOS Software Release

To find the version of Cisco IOS software that is running on your access point, use a Telnet session to log into the access point, and enter the **show version** EXEC command. This example shows command output from an access point that is running Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB2:

```
ap1260AG> show version
Cisco IOS Software, C1260 Software (AP3G1-K9W7-M), Version 15.2(2)JB2
Copyright (c) 1986-2010 by Cisco Systems, Inc.
```

On access points running Cisco IOS software, you can also find the software release on the System Software Version page in the access point's web-browser interface. If your access point does not run Cisco IOS software, the software release appears at the top left of most pages in the web-browser interface.

Upgrading to a New Software Release

You cannot use HTTPS file transfer to upgrade to Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JA from previous releases. Because of the image size for this release, you must use TFTP or FTP file transfer for the upgrade. Refer to the upgrade instructions at this URL: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/wireless/access_point/12.4_10b_JA/configuration/guide/scg12410b- chap20-firmware.html#wp1035507
To upgrade your access point or bridge software, follow these steps:
Follow this link to the Cisco home page:
http://www.cisco.com
Click Support . The Support and Documentation page appears.
Under the Select a Product Name, click Wireless. The Product/Technology Support page appears.
Under the Make a Selection to Continue section, click Access Point. Products and Access Point are highlighted.
Select the access point model for which you need the information. For example, click the Cisco Aironet 1260 series. A list of documents appears.
Click Configure . A list of configuration documents appears.
Click Cisco IOS Software Configuration Guide for Cisco Aironet Access Points, 15.2(2)JB2.
Navigate to the Managing Firmware and Software chapter.

For information on Cisco IOS software, click this link to browse to the Cisco IOS Software Center on Cisco.com:

http://www.cisco.com/cisco/software/navigator.html

Disabling Radios to Prevent Unexpected Reboots When Upgrading the System Software

If your access point runs Cisco IOS Release 12.2(11)JA, 12.2(11)JA1, or 12.2(11)JA2, your access point might unexpectedly reboot after you upgrade to a later Cisco IOS release. Because of a rare timing condition that affects the radios, the access point sometimes reboots immediately after the upgrade when the radios are enabled. However, after the access point reboots, the upgrade is complete and the access point operates normally. To prevent the access point from rebooting unexpectedly, disable the radio interfaces before upgrading the software.

To disable the radio interfaces using the access point's web-browser interface, which you can access through the access point's Ethernet port, follow these steps:

Step 1 Browse to the Network Interfaces: Radio Settings page. Figure 1 shows the top portion of the Network Interfaces: Radio Settings page.

cisco	Cisco Airon	et 1260 Se	ries Access Po	int
OME	RADIO0-802.11N ^{2.40HZ} DETAILE	D STATUS	SETTINGS	CARRIER BUSY TEST
XPRESS SET-UP XPRESS SECURITY ETWORK MAP +	Hostname non-root			non-root uptime is 59 n
SSOCIATION + ETWORK INTERFACES	Network Interfaces: Radio0-802.11N ^{2.46}	^{Hz} Settings		
IP Address GigabitEthernet	Operating Mode:	Mixed		
Radio0-802.11N ^{2.4GHz}	Enable Radio:	 Enable 	🔘 Disable	
Radio1-802.11N ^{5GHz} ECURITY +	Current Status (Software/Hardware):	Enabled 1	Up 1	
SERVICES + WIRELESS SERVICES + SYSTEM SOFTWARE + EVENT LOG +	Role in Radio Network:		(Fallback to Radio Shutdown) (Fallback to Repeater)	
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		○ Workgroup Br ○ Universal Wor ○ Scanner	idge kgroup Bridge Client MAC:	(НННН. НННН. НННН
	Data Rates:	Best Range	Best Throughput D	efault
	1.0Mb/se	c 💿 Require	◯ Enable	🔿 Disable
	2.0Mb/se	c 💿 Require	◯ Enable	🔿 Disable
	5.5Mb/se	c 💿 Require	O Enable	O Disable

Figure 1 Network Interfaces: Radio Settings Page

- **Step 2** Choose **Disable** to disable the radio.
- **Step 3** Click **Apply** at the bottom of the page.
- Step 4 If your access point has two radios, repeat these steps for the second radio.

Beginning in privileged EXEC mode, follow these steps to disable the access point radios using the access point CLI:

Command	Purpose
configure terminal	Enters global configuration mode.
interface dot11radio {0 1}	Enters interface configuration mode for the radio interface. The 2.4-GHz radio is radio 0, and the 5-GHz radio is radio 1.
shutdown	Disables the radio port.
end	Returns to privileged EXEC mode.
copy running-config startup-config	(Optional) Saves your entries in the configuration file.

If your access point has two radios, repeat these steps for the second radio. Use the **no** form of the **shutdown** command to enable the radio.

Supported Browsers

The following browsers are supported:

- Internet Explorer 8.x and later.
- Firefox 3.x and later.

New Features

Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB has the following new features, which are also present in 15.2(2)JB2:

- Spectrum Expert Mode
- Support for Secure Copy Protocol
- Easy Setup
- Band Select
- Support for 802.11r
- Software Support for AP1600
- Support for AP1550, AP3500E, AP3500I, AP3600E, and AP3600I,

Spectrum Expert Mode

The Spectrum Expert mode is supported in all CleanAir-enabled access points such as the AP3500, AP3600, AP2600, and AP1550 series. When configured as a dedicated Spectrum Sensor, a Spectrum Expert Connect autonomous access point can be connected to the Cisco Spectrum Expert. Spectrum Expert Mode is a separate mode and is not a subset of the Monitor Mode.

To enable the Spectrum Expert Mode, follow these steps:

- Step 1 Choose Home > Easy Setup > Network Configuration.
- Step 2 From the Role in Radio Network drop-down list choose Spectrum.
- Step 3 Click Apply.
- Step 4 Launch the Spectrum Expert by clicking on the Spectrum Expert Icon.

You can also enable the Spectrum Expert Mode by following these steps:

Step 1 Choose Network > Network Interface.

- Step 2 Click Radio0-802.11n 2G.Hz or Radio0-802.11n 5G.Hz
- Step 3 Click Settings.
- **Step 4** Click the **Spectrum** radio button.
- Step 5 Click Apply.
- **Step 6** Launch the Spectrum Expert by clicking on the Spectrum Expert Icon.

The Spectrum Expert mode is supported in all CleanAir-enabled access points such as the AP3500, AP3600, AP2600, and AP1550 series.

Configuring Spectrum Expert Connection

To configure the access point as a Spectrum Expert, use the following commands:

- AP(config)#interface dot11Radio 0
- AP(config-if)#station-role spectrum
- AP# show spectrum status

Spectrum Expert is supported only on Internet Explorer. Before launching Spectrum Expert, change the following settings:

- Step 1 Choose Tools > Internet options > Security > custom level > ActiveX Controls & plug-ins > Initialize and script ActiveX controls not marked as safe for scripting.
- **Step 2** Click the **Enable** radio button.

You can ignore the following popup message:

Your current security settings put computer at risk.

Support for Secure Copy Protocol

The Secure Copy Protocol (SCP) supports file transfers between hosts on a network using Secure Shell (SSH) for security. Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB supports SCP file transfers to and from an access point while you are logged into the access point itself.

AAA authentication is used to restrict the transfer of data. SCP enables AAA authorization to ascertain your username and password to ensure the authenticity and confidentiality of the data in transit.

To configure SSH, use the following commands:

- ip hostname
- ip domain-name
- crypto key generate rsa (512, 1024,2048)
- ip SSH version
- aaa new-model
- aaa authentication login default local
- aaa authorization exec default local
- username cisco privilege 15 password 0 cisco

To perform SCP, use the following command:

copy run scp://url

Easy Setup

You can now configure a network in a single screen using the Easy GUI.

You can configure the access point using any of the following methods:

- Network Configuration, page 7
- Radio Configuration, page 7

Network Configuration

To configure an access point using the network configuration, enter the values for the following fields:

- Hostname
- IP Address
- Server protocol
- IP Subnet
- Default Gateway
- Admin Login
- Admin Password
- SNMP Community

Radio Configuration

To configure an access point using Radio Configuration, configure the following fields:

- SSID—a 32 byte string.
- Security.
- Role in Radio Network
 - Access point—Root device. This setting can be applied to any access point.
 - Repeater-Nonroot device. This setting also can be applied to any access point.
 - Root Bridge—This setting can be applied to any access point.
 - Non-Root Bridge—This setting can be applied to any access point.
 - Workgroup Bridge—This setting can be applied to any access point.
 - Scanner—Access point functions as a network monitoring device. It continuously scans and reports wireless traffic it detects from other wireless devices on the wireless LAN in this mode. All access points can be configured as a scanner.
- Optimize Radio—You can either select preconfigured settings or customize the settings for the wireless device radio.
- Aironet Extensions—You can enable this setting if there are only Cisco Aironet wireless devices on your wireless LAN.
- Current SSID list on the screen displays a list SSID configured to the access point. It is a read-only list.

Click **Factory Reset** to reset the access point to the factory settings. To reload the access point image, click **Reboot AP**.

Band Select

Band Select allows you to move to the less congested radios if your Wi-Fi radios are capable of dual band operation. This feature improves the overall performance of the network.

When the feature is enabled, the access point suppresses the probe response to all the new clients for all SSIDs that are Band Select-enabled.

To enable Band Select, follow these steps:

- **Step 1** Choose **Security > SSID Manager.**
- **Step 2** Click **NEW** to create a new SSID.

or

- Choose the required SSID from the Current SSID.
- Step 3 Click the Band Select radio button.
- Step 4 Click Apply.

To assign the parameters for Band Select, follow these steps:

Step 1 Choose **Services > Band Select.**

- Step 2 Check the Band Select check box.
- **Step 3** Enter the values for the following:
 - Client-Rssi—Minimum Receive signal strength indicator (RSSI) required for the client to be eligible for band select. The range is from 20 to 90.
 - Cycle-Count—Number of probe beacons or frames that the access point ignores or delays. The range is from 1 to 10.
 - Cycle-Threshold (ms)—Time in milliseconds that the access point can expect each probe from the client. The range is from 1 to 1000.
 - Expire-Suppression (secs)—Time after which clients will be declared as new and may have their probe frames delayed or ignored again. The range is from 10 to 200.
 - Expire-Dual-Band (secs)—Similar to Expire-Suppression, however Expire-Dual-Band applies only to dual band clients. The range is from 10 to 300.
- Step 4 Click Apply.

Beginning in privileged EXEC mode, use these commands to configure SSH using the access point CLI:

- ap(config)# dot11 band-select parameters
- ap(config-bs-profile)# cycle-count?
- ap(config-bs-profile)# cycle-threshold?
- ap(config-bs-profile)# expire-suppression?
- ap(config-bs-profile)# expire-dual-band?
- ap(config-bs-profile)# client-rssi?
- ap (config)# dot11 ssid abcd
- ap(config-ssid)# band-select

Support for 802.11r

Support for 802.11r will be provided in Autonomous Root access points. The following types of roaming are supported over the wireless domain services:

- Fast transition over Distributed System (DS)
- Fast transition over Air

802.11r differs from Cisco Centralized Key Management (CCKM) and Pairwise Master Key Identifier (PMKID) roaming in the following ways:

- Initial authentication occurs before you start roaming.
- Authentication with the target AP over the Air or through the DS uses the existing access point's communication channel.

Enabling 802.11r

To enable 802.11r, follow these steps:

Step 1 Choose Network > Network interface.

Step 2 Choose Click Radio0-802.11n 2G.Hz or Radio0-802.11n 5G.Hz.

- **Step 3** Click the **enable** radio button for 11r Configuration.
- Step 4 Click the over-air or over-ds radio button.
- Step 5 Enter the reassociation time.

The values range from 20 to 1200 ms.

Step 6 Click Apply.

Beginning in privileged EXEC mode, follow these steps to configure SSH using the access point CLI:

Command	Purpose
configure terminal	Enters the configuration mode.
dot11 ssid <ssid></ssid>	Configures the SSID.
authentication key-management wpa version 2 dot11r	Configures 802.11r on an access point.
interface dot11radio {0 1}	Enters interface configuration mode for the radio interface. The 2.4-GHz radio is radio 0, and the 5-GHz radio is radio 1.
dot11 dot11r pre-authentication	Enables or disables the over-air or over-ds transition.
dot11 dot11r re-association timer <value></value>	Configures the re-association timer.
debug dot11 ft	Debugs the 802.11r Fast BSS Transition.
debug dot11 ft-scan	Debugs the 802.11r Fast BSS Transition scan.

Software Support for AP1600

This release provides software support for the AP1600 series access points, the business-ready wireless solution. AP1600 is built on 3x3:2 multiple-input and multiple-output (MIMO) technology with integrated and external antenna options wrapped in an extremely compact and flexible form factor.

The following processing features are supported:

- 256 Mb Flash Size
- Reduced COGs
- Reduced Packet Processing Performance

The following enterprise features are supported:

- Advanced Security
- Location Services
- Video Stream

The following RF system features are supported:

- QoS
- Band Select
- High-Density Deployments
- Implicit Beam forming

Support for AP1550, AP3500E, AP3500I, AP3600E, and AP3600I,

This release provides complete software functionality to AP1550, AP3500E, AP3500I, AP3600E, and AP3600I series access points.

Installation Notes

This section contains information that you should keep in mind when installing 1260, 1040, 1140, 3500i, 3500e, 3600i, 3600e, 2600i, 2600e, 1600e, and 1550 series access points.

Access Points

This section contains installation notes for access points.

Installation in Environmental Air Space

Cisco Aironet 1040, 1140, 1250, 1260, and 2600 series access points provide adequate fire resistance and low smoke-producing characteristics suitable for operation in a building's environmental air space, such as above suspended ceilings, in accordance with Section 300-22(C) of the *National Electrical Code* (NEC) and Sections 2-128, 12-010(3) and 12-100 of the *Canadian Electrical Code*, Part 1, C22.1.



The power injector does not provide fire resistance and low smoke-producing characteristics and is not intended for use in extremely high or low temperatures or in environmental air spaces such as above suspended ceilings.

Antenna Installation

For instructions on the proper installation and grounding of external antennas for 1550, 1260, 1600E, 2600, E3500E, and 3600E access points, refer to the National Fire Protection Association's *NFPA 70, National Electrical Code*, Article 810, and the Canadian Standards Association's *Canadian Electrical Code*, Section 54.



Do not install the antenna near overhead power lines or other electric light or power circuits, or where it can come into contact with such circuits. When installing the antenna, take extreme care not to come into contact with such circuits, as they may cause serious injury or death.

Important Notes

This section describes important information about access points and bridges.

Use FTP or FTPS File Transfer to Upgrade to Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB

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http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/wireless/access_point/12.4_10b_JA/configuration/guide/scg12410b-chap20-firmware.html#wp1035507

Cisco 1040/1140 series Access Points May Record "watchdog timer expired" as Last Reset Reason

The following error message sometimes appears as the last reset reason when the access points are power cycled:

Watchdog timer expired

This symptom is observed only in the Cisco 1040/1140 series access point and does not have any impact on functionality. Ignore the "watchdog timer expired" reason after an access point has been power cycled. You can also overwrite the reset reason to "reload" by rebooting with command operation.

Regulatory Update for Japan

This release supports the U regulatory domain for the W52 frequency set (channels 36, 40, 44, and 48) in Japan for the Cisco Aironet 1230 series. This support was added for the Cisco Aironet 1130 series in Cisco IOS Software Release 12.4(3G)JA, which shipped previously. Cisco access points specified for this new domain ship with a U domain radio. Installed J domain access points are automatically upgraded to the U domain status with this release.

For the latest Cisco WLAN compliance status, visit this URL:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/prod/collateral/wireless/ps5679/ps5861/product_data_sheet0900aecd805 37b6a_ps430_Products_Data_Sheet.html.

Point-to-Point and Point-to-Multipoint Bridging Support for 802.11n Platforms

The point-to-point and point-to-multipoint bridging is supported on the Cisco Aironet 1040, 1140, 1260, 1600, 2600, 3500 and 3600 series access points (802.11n platforms). The 5-GHz bands support 20 and 40-MHz channel widths, and the 2.4-GHz bands support only a 20-MHz channel width.

The following items are supported for AP1040, AP1140, AP1260, AP1600, AP2600, AP3500 and AP3600 bridging:

- MIMO, short-range bridging (on campus or inter-building bridge deployments), with dipole and MIMO antennas (line of sight and short range) under 1 km.
- 20-MHz and 40-MHz 802.11n support.
- Workgroup bridge (WGB) short-range support.
- SISO (single-in, single-out), MCS 0-7 and legacy bridge rates (802.11 a/b/g and 802.11n) using one outdoor antenna.



This is only supported using short range links and is not a replacement for the AP-1300/1400 or other bridge products.

The following items are not supported for AP1040, AP1140, AP1260, AP1600, AP2600, AP3500 and AP3600 bridging:

- The distance CLI command: long-range links over 1 km currently are not supported; therefore, the distance command is not supported.
- Outdoor MIMO bridging using external antennas has not been fully tested and is not fully supported with this release.

Access Points Transmit Multicast and Management Frames

Access points that are running recent Cisco IOS versions transmit multicast and management frames at the highest configured basic rate, which can cause reliability problems.

Access points that are running LWAPP or autonomous IOS should transmit multicast and management frames at the lowest configured basic rate to provide for good coverage at the cell's edge, especially for unacknowledged multicast transmissions where multicast wireless transmissions might fail to be received.

As multicast frames are not retransmitted at the MAC layer so stations at the edge of the cell might fail to receive them successfully. If reliable reception is a goal, multicasts should be transmitted at a low data rate. If support for high data rate multicasts is required, it might be useful to shrink the cell size and to disable all lower data rates.

Depending on your specific requirements, these options are available:

- If you need to transmit multicast data with the greatest reliability and if there is no need for great multicast bandwidth, configure a single basic rate that is low enough to reach the edges of the wireless cells.
- If you need to transmit multicast data at a certain data rate in order to achieve a certain throughput, configure that rate as the highest basic rate. You can also set a lower basic rate for coverage of nonmulticast clients.

Low Throughput Seen on 1260 Series Access Points with 16 BSSIDs Configured

If your network uses 16 BSSIDs with 1 and 2-Mbps data rates, 1260 series access points might experience very low throughput due to high management traffic.

802.11n HT Rates Apply Only to No Encryption or WPA2/AES Encryption

The 802.11n HT rates apply only to no encryption or WPA2/AES encryption. They do not apply to WEP or WPA encryption. If WEP or TKIP encryption is used, the 1250 series access points and any 802.11n Draft 2.0 clients will not transmit at the HT rates. Legacy rates (802.11a/b/g) will be used for any clients using WEP or TKIP encryption.

Layer 3 Not Supported with NAC for MBSSID

Layer 3 is not supported with NAC for MBSSID in this release.

Change to Default IP Address Behavior

Cisco IOS Releases 12.3(2)JA and later releases change the default behavior of access points that request an IP address from a DHCP server:

When you connect a 1040, 1130, 1140, 1250, or 1260 series access point or a 1300 series outdoor access point/bridge with a default configuration to a LAN, the access point requests an IP address from a DHCP server and, if it does not receive an address, continues to send requests indefinitely.

Changes to the Default Configuration—Radios Disabled and No Default SSID

The radio or radios are disabled by default, and there is no default SSID. You must create an SSID and enable the radio or radios before the access point allows wireless associations from other devices. These changes to the default configuration improve the security of newly installed access points.

Clients Using WPA/WPA2 and Power Save May Fail to Authenticate

Certain clients using WPA/WPA2 key management and power save can take many attempts to authenticate or, in some cases, fail to authenticate. Any SSID that is defined to use authentication key-management WPA, together with clients using power save mode and authenticating using WPA/WPA2, can experience this problem.

A hidden configure level command, **dot11 wpa handshake timeout**, can be used to increase the timeout between sending the WPA key packets from the default value (100 ms) to a value between 101 and 2000 ms. The command stores its value in the configuration across device reloads.

Default Username and Password Are Cisco

When you open the access point interface, you must enter a username and a password. The default username for administrator login is *Cisco*, and the default password is *Cisco*. Both the username and password are case sensitive.

Some Client Devices Cannot Associate When QoS Is Configured

Some wireless client devices, including Dell Axim handhelds and Hewlett-Packard iPaq HX4700 handhelds, cannot associate to an access point when the access point is configured for QoS. To allow these clients to associate, disable QoS on the access point. You can use the QoS Policies page on the access point GUI to disable QoS or enter this command on the CLI:

ap(config-if)# no dot11 qos mode

Some Devices Disassociate When Multiple BSSIDs Are Added or Deleted

Devices on your wireless LAN that are configured to associate to a specific access point based on the access point MAC address (such as client devices, repeaters, hot standby units, or workgroup bridges) might lose their association when you add or delete multiple BSSIDs. When you add or delete multiple BSSIDs, check the association status of devices that are configured to associate to a specific access point. If necessary, reconfigure the disassociated device to use the BSSID new MAC address.

Enabling MBSSIDs Without VLANs Disables Radio Interface

If you use the **mbssid** configuration interface command to enable multiple BSSIDs on a specific radio interface but VLANs are not configured on the access point, the access point disables the radio interface. To reenable the radio, you must shut down the radio, disable multiple BSSIDs, and reenable the radio.

This example shows how to reenable the radio:

AP1260AG(config)# interface d1 AP1260AG(config-if)# shut AP1260AG(config-if)# no mbssid AP1260AG(config-if)# no shut

After you reenable the radio, you can enable VLANs on the access point and enable multiple BSSIDs.

Cannot Set Channel on DFS-Enabled Radios in Some Regulatory Domains

Access points with 5-GHz radios configured at the factory for use in Europe, Singapore, Korea, Japan, Taiwan, and Israel now comply with regulations that require radio devices to use Dynamic Frequency Selection (DFS) to detect radar signals and to avoid interfering with them. You cannot manually set the channel on DFS-enabled radios that are configured for these regulatory domains.

Cisco 7920 Phones Require Firmware Version 1.09 or Later When Multiple BSSIDs Are Enabled

When multiple BSSIDs are configured on the access point, Cisco 7920 wireless IP phones must run firmware version 1.09 or later versions.

GRE Tunnelling Through WLSM Sometimes Requires MTU Setting Adjustments

If client devices on your wireless LAN cannot use certain network applications or cannot browse to Internet sites, you might need to adjust the MTU setting on the client devices or other network devices. For more information, refer to the Tech Note at this URL:

http://www.cisco.com/en/US/tech/tk827/tk369/technologies_tech_note09186a0080093f1f.shtml

TACACS+ and DHCP IP Address Sometimes Locks Out Administrators

When you configure an access point for TACACS+ administration and you request for an IP address from the DHCP server, you might be locked out of the access point after it reboots if you do not have a local username and password configured on the access point. This issue does not affect access points that are configured with a static IP address. If you have been locked out, you must regain access by resetting the unit to default settings.

Access Points Do Not Support Loopback Interface

You must not configure a loopback interface on the access point.

Configuring a loopback interface might generate an IAPP GENINFO storm on your network and disrupt network traffic.

Non-Cisco Aironet 802.11g Clients Might Require Firmware Upgrades

Some non-Cisco Aironet 802.11g client devices require a firmware upgrade before they can associate to the 802.11g radio in the access point. If your non-Cisco Aironet 802.11g client device does not associate to the access point, download and install the latest client firmware from the manufacturer's website.

Throughput Option for 802.11g Radio Blocks Association by 802.11b Clients

When you configure the 802.11g access point radio for **best throughput**, the access point sets all data rates to basic (required). This setting blocks association from 802.11b client devices. The **best throughput** option appears on the web-browser interface Express Setup and Radio Settings pages and in the **speed** CLI configuration interface command.

Use Auto for Ethernet Duplex and Speed Settings

We recommend that you use **auto**, the default setting, for both the speed and duplex settings on the access point Ethernet port. When your access point receives inline power from a switch, any change in the speed or duplex settings that resets the Ethernet link reboots the access point. If the switch port to which the access point is connected is not set to **auto**, you can change the access point port to **half** or **full** to correct a duplex mismatch, and the Ethernet link is not reset. However, if you change from **half** or **full** back to **auto**, the link is reset, and, if your access point receives inline power from a switch, the access point reboots.



Note

The speed and duplex settings on the access point Ethernet port must match the Ethernet settings on the port to which the access point is connected. If you change the settings on the port to which the access point is connected, change the settings on the access point Ethernet port to match.

Using the force-reload Option with archive download-sw Command

When you upgrade an access point or bridge system software by entering the **archive download-sw** command on the CLI, you must use the **force-reload** option. If the access point or bridge does not reload the flash memory after the upgrade, the pages in the web-browser interface might not reflect the upgrade. This example shows how to upgrade the system software by using the **archive download-sw** command:

AP# archive download-sw /force-reload /overwrite tftp://10.0.0.1/image-name

Radio MAC Address Appears in ACU

When a Cisco Aironet client device associates to an access point that runs Cisco IOS software, the access point MAC address that appears on the Status page in the Aironet Client Utility (ACU) is the MAC address for the access point radio. The MAC address for the access point Ethernet port is printed on the label on the back of the access point.

Radio MAC Address Appears in Access Point Event Log

When a client device roams from an access point (such as access point *alpha*) to another access point (access point *bravo*), a message appears in the event log on access point alpha stating that the client roamed to access point bravo. The MAC address that appears in the event message is the MAC address for the radio in access point bravo. The MAC address for the access point Ethernet port is on the label on the back of the access point.

Mask Field on IP Filters Page Behaves the Same As in CLI

In Cisco IOS Release 12.2(8)JA and later releases, the mask that you enter in the Mask field on the IP Filters page in the access point GUI behaves the same way as a mask that you enter in the CLI. If you enter 255.255.255.255.255 as the mask, the access point accepts any IP address. If you enter 0.0.0.0, the access point looks for an exact match with the IP address that you entered in the IP Address field.

Repeater Access Points Cannot Be Configured as WDS Access Points

Repeater access points can participate in WDS, but they cannot provide WDS. You cannot configure a repeater access point as a main WDS access point, and if a root access point becomes a repeater in fallback mode, it cannot provide WDS.

Cannot Perform Link Tests on Non-Cisco Aironet Client Devices and on Cisco Aironet 802.11g Client Devices

The link test feature on the web-browser interface does not support non-Cisco Aironet client devices or Cisco Aironet 802.11g client devices.

Corrupt EAP Packet Sometimes Causes an Error Message

During client authentication, the access point sometimes receives a corrupt EAP packet and displays this error message:

Oct 1 09:00:51.642 R: %SYS-2-GETBUF: Bad getbuffer, bytes= 28165 -Process= "Dot11 Dot1x process", ipl= 0, pid= 32 -Traceback= A2F98 3C441C 3C7184 3C604C 3C5E14 3C5430 124DDC

You can ignore this message.

When Cipher Is TKIP Only, Key Management Must Be Enabled

When you configure TKIP-only cipher encryption (not TKIP + WEP 128 or TKIP + WEP 40) on any radio interface or VLAN, every SSID on that radio or VLAN must be set to use WPA or CCKM key management. If you configure TKIP on a radio or VLAN but you do not configure key management on the SSIDs, client authentication fails on the SSIDs.

Cisco CKM Supports SpectraLink Phones

Cisco CKM (CCKM) key management is designed to support voice clients that require minimal roaming times. CCKM supports only SpectraLink and Cisco 7920 Version 2.0 Wireless Phones. Other voice clients are not supported.

Non-Cisco Aironet Clients Sometimes Fail 802.1X Authentication

Some non-Cisco Aironet client adapters do not perform 802.1X authentication to the access point unless you configure Open authentication with EAP. To allow both Cisco Aironet clients using LEAP and non-Cisco Aironet clients using LEAP to associate using the same SSID, you might need to configure the SSID for both Network EAP authentication and Open authentication with EAP.

Pings and Link Tests Sometimes Fail to Clients with Both Wired and Wireless Network Connections

When you ping or run a link test from an access point to a client device installed in a PC running Microsoft Windows 2000, the ping or link test sometimes fails when the client has both wired and wireless connections to the LAN. Microsoft does not recommend this configuration. For more information, refer to Microsoft Knowledge Base article 157025 at this URL:

http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;157025&Product=win2000

Layer 3 Mobility Not Supported on Repeaters and Workgroup Bridges

Repeater access points and workgroup bridges cannot associate to an SSID that is configured for Layer 3 mobility. Layer 3 mobility is not supported on repeaters and workgroup bridges.

Hardware Limitation in Cisco Aironet 1250 and 1140 Series Access Points

The beacons on the Cisco Aironet 1250 and 1140 access points can only have output at intervals that are multiples of 17 milliseconds. When these access points are configured for a 100-millisecond beacon interval, they transmit beacons every 102 milliseconds. Similarly, when the beacon interval is configured for 20 milliseconds, these access points transmit beacons every 17 milliseconds.

Potential RFC 3748 Violation

When the following command is configured under the SSID settings (for LEAP authentication):

authentication client username <WORD> password [0 | 7] <LINE>

if the first access-challenge returned by the Radius server after the access-request from the access point is not for the LEAP method but for EAP-MD5, the access point violates RFC 3748.

Instead of sending an EAP NAK requesting LEAP authentication, the access point sends the user's credentials with EAP-MD5 and drops the derived keys, since it cannot read the EAP-MD5 from the access-accept.

This violates RFC 3748.

The workaround for this is to use the commands dot1x credentials and dot1x eap profile for LEAP authentication.

For configuration procedures, see the *Cisco IOS Software Configuration Guide for Cisco Aironet Access Points*.

Autonomous Ap Will Treat The Sub-interface Tied To Bridge-group 1 As The Native Vlan

When using a configuration on an autonomous AP where there is no native VLAN defined, each interface is being dot1q tagged, communication will fail after upgrading to 15.2(2)JA or later. It appears that the configuration is still correct after the upgrade, but the AP sends the untagged frames for bridge-group 1, even though the encapsulation is not defined as native. The autonomous AP will treat the sub-interface tied to bridge-group 1 as the native VLAN, even if it is not defined with the native keyword: "encapsulation dot1 <vlan> native". The VLAN associated with bridge-group 1 must be set to native on the connecting switchport configuration

The workaround for this is to configure VLAN 100 as the native VLAN on the connected switchport trunk, even though the encapsulation is not specified as native on the AP.

DHCP Failure When Access Point Renewal Time Is Greater Than Rebind Time

An access point is unable to obtain IP via same IOS DHCP server when the access point is running on 15.2x and the WLC has been upgraded from 7.2 to 7.3 or 7.4. The problem occurs because the Renewal (T1) time dhcp option 58 is larger than Rebinding (T2) time dhcp option 59.

Caveats

This section lists Open Caveats and Resolved Caveats for access points and bridges in Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB2. For your convenience in locating caveats in Cisco's Bug Toolkit, the caveat titles listed in this section are drawn directly from the Bug Toolkit database. These caveat titles are not intended to be read as complete sentences because the title field length is limited. In the caveat titles, some truncation of wording or punctuation might be necessary to provide the most complete and concise description. The only modifications made to these titles are as follows:

- Commands are in boldface type.
- Product names and acronyms may be standardized.
- Spelling errors and typos may be corrected.



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https://tools.cisco.com/RPF/register/register.do

Open Caveats

lists caveats that are open in Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB2.

Identifier	Headline	
CSCuh52238	Client triggers false DFS detections due to Broadcom Radio Emissions.	
CSCty84682	Access Point is not forwarding multicast data and IGMP querier messages.	
CSCuc81022	Cisco Aironet LAP 1520 outdoor mesh access points may get false DFS triggers when in-band/off-channel (ch 124) weather RADAR signals are present and are received above -20 dBm, thereby causing network instability.	
CSCud00277	Frames received on a locally-switched 802.11 sub-interface are incorrectly bridged to the access point's BVI1 interface, though the sub-interface does not belong to the access point's native bridge group.	
CSCud15354	It is not possible to apply a QoS policy a radio interface, due to which proper prioritization does occur.	
CSCui25877	Radio PCI resets are seen on Cisco Aironet 1600 Series Access Points.	
CSCue18790	Several problems are seen while setting up DAA for hardware-generated management and control frames.	
CSCug08277	Cisco Aironet 1260 Access Point, running 12.4(23c)JA6 (Controller versio 7.0.235.3) may crash in the function mvl_transmit_recover.	
CSCub96053	Cisco Aironet 3500 Series Access Points are getting DFS events due to radar signals on a DFS channel associated with a Cisco Unified Wireless IP Phone 7925.	
CSCuc70159	Cisco Aironet Access Points running 15.2 software are seen to loose clock information after a reboot.	
CSCuh67653	Cisco Aironet 1040N Series Access Points display stale client session entries on "show dot11 associations".	
CSCui26060	Cisco Aironet 2600 Series Access Points that have been converted to IOS from CAPWAP are showing a corrupted config file.	
CSCue90125	When monitoring the power on packets, it is seen that 40MHz block acknowledge packets are putting out maximum RF power on all antennas regardless of the configured power.	
CSCui31945	A discrepancy is seen in the Txpower levels between SNMP and CLI.	
CSCuh41352	When a Workgroup Bridge (WGB) receives an 802.11 authorization request from the current AP, it will drop the connection, and fail to recover until a manual shut/no-shut is done, so this counts as DoS.	
CSCuf46908	The WGB is not associating when changing the authenticated key management (AKM) from wpa2-cckm to wpav2.	
CSCug43429	Layer2 extended Access-list is not working on a non-native VLAN.	
CSCue94618	Getting the current configured power from the AP via SNMP may not be possible.	

Table 1 **Open Caveats**

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Identifier	Headline	
CSCuh78324	While roaming, on re-association of a WGB to a current or new access point, the multicast downstream traffic fails for the first 200 seconds.	
CSCuc47299	The keep alive command on the Ethernet port goes back to no keep alive on reloading the AP.	
CSCud15809	The 802.11n radios do not support the distance command, which adjusts the 802.11 MAC to increase the ACK timeout, beyond the standard 1 km (1 mile).	
CSCue34995	Encryption setting for Cisco Aironet 2602 Access Point is not working in Mozilla Firefox browser.	
CSCug08980	ACLs configured to drop or block everything at Layer 2, do not work. All traffic continues to be allowed.	
CSCug33159	An Access Point in Autonomous mode, functioning in Workgroup Bridge Mode with dot11 arp-cache enabled, may crash.	

Resolved Caveats

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lists caveats that are resolved in Cisco IOS Release 15.2(2)JB2.

Table 2Resolved Caveats

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CSCug45057	2.4 Ghz and 5 Ghz radios are disabled with the error message, "Radio disabled due to inline power".
CSCtt47397	Cisco Aironet 3500 Series Access Point watchdog, registered to the Wireless LAN Controller crashes at random due to CPU hog on the AP caused by DOT11 Driver process.
CSCuh15491	AP crash due to AVL tree corruption in aggregation scheduler (Radio Reset WAR).
CSCua97184	Access Point crashes due to function pointer corruption.
CSCuc06605	Radio is reset with the reason 'Corrupted or bad RCV pointer', along with a 'tx jammed' radio reset happening right before this.
CSCud04901	The Cisco Aironet 1550 Series LAP Outdoor Access Points gets false DFS triggers when in-band/off-channel (ch 124) weather RADAR signals are present and received above -20 dBm, thereby causing network instability.
CSCud65237	The client encryption key gets corrupted when the Access Point received a Block ACK with invalid TID.
CSCud84135	Access Point upgraded to autonomous IOS 15.2(2)JB, without default route, has no IP connectivity to devices outside its local subnet.
CSCue62388	Access Point reloads with the error message 'Error on Dot11Radio0 - Not Beaconing for too long'.
CSCue89182	Upgrading from previous CCO image to 15.2(4)JA via GUI is not possible.
CSCuf93777	Cisco Aironet 2600 Series Access Point had a radio core dump. Transmitter seems to have stopped.

Identifier	Headline
CSCug20166	A Cisco Aironet 2600 or 3600 Series Access Point may hang, unable to communicate over the LAN or radio.
CSCug65693	A bug in the MacBook client, that doesn't have the latest OS X updates, causes connectivity problems due to which transmissions from a client to an access point may get stalled.
CSCuh01030	AP crash due to infinite loop watchdog in aggregation scheduler (timer_send path).
CSCuh12262	Wired client behind a Universal WGB does not get an IP address.
CSCuc95993	Access point sent out an ARP request for the IP address of a monitor PC that is in a different subnet.
CSCud04882	Cisco Aironet 1142 Lightweight Access Points display incorrect Active Power levels.
CSCug54108	Memory leak in the access point memory causes SSH, to the access point, to fail.
CSCue71856	Access point does not send the indication of traffic to the client that is in power saving mode in time for the client to receive the traffic.
CSCuh47735	Aggr_Scheduler_Crash - FWD_TRACE_L function (freed dtx in cpqAP crash in aggregation scheduler FWD_TRACE_L function (freed dtx in cpq).
CSCuf61780	The radios on a Cisco Aironet 1600, 2600, or Series 3600 Access Point can be configured only for a single, minimal transmit power level of 7 dBm.
CSCuh98417	A problem with one-way audio is seen on the Spectralink 8400 phone.

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