



Preface

This preface describes the audience, organization, and conventions of this document. It also provides information on how to obtain other documentation. This chapter includes the following sections:

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Audience

This publication is for experienced network administrators who configure and maintain the Cisco Catalyst 4500E Switches.

Conventions

This document uses the following conventions:

Table 1: Conventions

Convention	Indication
bold font	Commands and keywords and user-entered text appear in bold font.
<i>italic</i> font	Document titles, new or emphasized terms, and arguments for which you supply values are in <i>italic</i> font.
[]	Elements in square brackets are optional.
{x y z }	Required alternative keywords are grouped in braces and separated by vertical bars.
[x y z]	Optional alternative keywords are grouped in brackets and separated by vertical bars.

Convention	Indication
string	A nonquoted set of characters. Do not use quotation marks around the string. Otherwise, the string will include the quotation marks.
<code>courier font</code>	Terminal sessions and information the system displays appear in <code>courier font</code> .
<>	Nonprinting characters such as passwords are in angle brackets.
[]	Default responses to system prompts are in square brackets.
!, #	An exclamation point (!) or a pound sign (#) at the beginning of a line of code indicates a comment line.

**Note**

Means reader take note. Notes contain helpful suggestions or references to material not covered in the manual.

**Tip**

Means the following information will help you solve a problem.

**Caution**

Means reader be careful. In this situation, you might perform an action that could result in equipment damage or loss of data.

Related Documentation

**Note**

Before installing or upgrading the device, refer to the device release notes.

- Cisco Catalyst 4500 Series Switch documentation:
<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/switches/catalyst-4500-series-switches/tsd-products-support-series-home.html>
- Cisco SFP and SFP+ modules documentation, including compatibility matrixes, located at:
<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/interfaces-modules/transceiver-modules/tsd-products-support-series-home.html>
- Cisco SFP, SFP+, and QSFP+ modules documentation, including compatibility matrixes, located at:
<https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/interfaces-modules/transceiver-modules/tsd-products-support-series-home.html>
- Cisco Validated Designs documents, located at:
<http://www.cisco.com/go/designzone>
- Error Message Decoder, located at:

https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/web/tools/help/error_message_search_best_practices.html

Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

For information on obtaining documentation, submitting a service request, and gathering additional information, see the monthly *What's New in Cisco Product Documentation*, which also lists all new and revised Cisco technical documentation, at:

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