



# Release Notes for Cisco ONS 15540 ESP for Cisco IOS Release 12.2(18)SV3

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This document describes caveats for Cisco IOS Release 12.2(18)SV3 for the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP (Extended Services Platform).

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## Introduction

The Cisco ONS 15540 ESP is an optical transport platform that employs DWDM (dense wavelength division multiplexing) technology. With the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP, users can take advantage of the availability of dark fiber to build a common infrastructure that supports data, SAN (storage area networking), and TDM (time-division multiplexing) traffic. For more information about DWDM technology and applications, refer to the [Introduction to DWDM Technology](#) publication and the [Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Planning Guide](#).



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# System Requirements

This section describes the system requirements for Cisco ONS 15540 ESP and includes the following sections:

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## Memory Requirements

The DRAM memory configuration is 128 MB, which is the default for the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP.

## Hardware Supported

[Table 1](#) lists the hardware components supported on the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP and the minimum software version required. See the [“Determining the Software Version”](#) section on page 6.

*Table 1 Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Supported Hardware Modules and Minimum Software Requirements*

Component	Part Number	Description	Minimum Software Version Required
Chassis	15540-CHSA		12.1(7a)EY2
Power supplies	15540-PWR-AC	120 to 240 VAC power supply	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-CAB-AC	Custom AC-input power entry cable	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-CAB-AC	North America	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-CAB-ACA	Australia	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-CAB-ACE	Europe	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-CAB-CU	UK	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-CAB-ACI	Italy	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-CAB-ACR	Argentina	12.1(7a)EY2
Filler motherboards and filler modules	15540-COV-01	Mux/demux motherboard blank panel	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-COV-02	Mux/demux module	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-COV-03	Line card motherboard blank panel	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-COV-04	Transponder module blank panel	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-COV-06	Processor card cover panel	12.1(7a)EY2
Fans	15540-FTMP	Fan tray module populated with eight fans	12.1(7a)EY2
Processor cards	15540-CPU	Processor card without switch fabric	12.1(7a)EY2

**Table 1 Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Supported Hardware Modules and Minimum Software Requirements (Continued)**

Component	Part Number	Description	Minimum Software Version Required
Mux/demux motherboards	15540-MMMB-0100	Supports mux/demux modules with OSC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MMMB-0200	Supports mux/demux modules without OSC	12.1(7a)EY2
Mux/demux modules without OSC	15540-MDXA-04A0	4-channel Band A	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-04B0	4-channel Band B	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-04C0	4-channel Band C	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-04D0	4-channel Band D	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-04E0	4-channel Band E	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-04F0	4-channel Band F	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-04G0	4-channel Band G	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-04H0	4-channel Band H	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-08A0	8-channel Band AB	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-08B0	8-channel Band CD	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-08C0	8-channel Band EF	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-08D0	8-channel Band GH	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXA-16EH	16-channel Band EH	12.1(7a)EY2
Mux/demux modules with OSC	15540-MDXA-04A0	4-channel Band A	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-04B0	4-channel Band B	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-04C0	4-channel Band C	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-04D0	4-channel Band D	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-04E0	4-channel Band E	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-04F0	4-channel Band F	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-04G0	4-channel Band G	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-04H0	4-channel Band H	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-08A0	8-channel Band AB	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-08B0	8-channel Band CD	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-08C0	8-channel Band EF	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-08D0	8-channel Band GH	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-MDXB-16AD	16-channel Band AD	12.1(7a)EY2
Line card motherboards	15540-LCMB-0100	Supports four transponders with protection	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-LCMB-0200	Supports four transponders -East	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-LCMB-0201	Supports four transponders -West	12.1(7a)EY2

**Table 1 Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Supported Hardware Modules and Minimum Software Requirements (Continued)**

Component	Part Number	Description	Minimum Software Version Required
MM transponder modules	15540-TSP1-01A3	Ch 1-2 —1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-03A3	Ch 3-4 — 1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-05A3	Ch 5-6 —1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-07A3	Ch 7-8 — 1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-09A3	Ch 9-10 — 1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-11A3	Ch 11-12 — 1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-13A3	Ch 13-14 — 1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-15A3	Ch 15-16 — 1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-17A3	Ch 17-18 — 1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-19A3	Ch 19-20 — 1310nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-21A3	Ch 21-22 — 1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-23A3	Ch 23- 24—1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-25A3	Ch 25-26—1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-27A3	Ch 27-28—1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-29A3	Ch 29-30—1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
15540-TSP1-31A3	Ch 31-32—1310-nm MM 16 to 622 Mbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2	
SM transponder modules	15540-TSP1-01B3	Ch 1-2—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-03B3	Ch 3-4—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-05B3	Ch 5-6—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-07B3	Ch 7-8—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-09B3	Ch 9-10—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-11B3	Ch 11-12—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-13B3	Ch 13-14— 1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-15B3	Ch 15-16—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-17B3	Ch 17-18—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-19B3	Ch 19-20—1310nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-21B3	Ch 21-22—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-23B3	Ch 23- 24—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-23B3	Ch 23- 24—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-25B3	Ch 25-26—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
	15540-TSP1-27B3	Ch 27-28—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2
15540-TSP1-29B3	Ch 29-30 —1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2	
15540-TSP1-31B3	Ch 31-32—1310-nm SM 16 Mbps to 2.5 Gbps with SC	12.1(7a)EY2	

**Table 1 Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Supported Hardware Modules and Minimum Software Requirements (Continued)**

Component	Part Number	Description	Minimum Software Version Required
Type 2 extended range transponder module	15540-TSP2-0100	Ch 1-2	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-0300	Ch 3-4	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-0500	Ch 5-6	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-0700	Ch 7-8	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-0900	Ch 9-10	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-1100	Ch 11-12	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-1300	Ch 13-14	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-1500	Ch 15-16	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-1700	Ch 17-18	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-1900	Ch 19-20	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-2100	Ch 21-22	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-2300	Ch 23-24	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-2500	Ch 25-26	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-2700	Ch 27-28	12.1(11b)E
	15540-TSP2-2900	Ch 29-30	12.1(11b)E
15540-TSP2-3100	Ch 31-32	12.1(11b)E	
Fixed rate SFP optics for Type 2 extended range transponder modules	15500-XVRA-01A2	ESCON and OC-3 1310-nm MM MT-RJ	12.1(11b)E
	15500-XVRA-03B1	Gigabit Ethernet and Fibre Channel (1 Gbps) 1310-nm SM MTLC	12.1(11b)E
	15500-XVRA-03B2	1-Gbps Fibre Channel and 2 Gbps Fibre Channel 1310-nm SM MTLC	12.1(11b)E
	15500-XVRA-02C1	Gigabit Ethernet and Fibre Channel (1 Gbps) 850-nm MM MTLC	12.1(11b)E
	15500-XVRA-02C2	Fibre Channel (1 Gbps and 2 Gbps) 850-nm SM MTLC	12.1(11b)E
	15500-XVRA-06B1	SONET OC-12 1310-nm SM MTLC	12.1(11b)E
	15500-XVRA-07B1	SONET OC-48 1310-nm SM MTLC	12.1(11b)E
Variable rate SFP optics	15500-XVRA-10A1	Low band (16 to 200 Mbps) variable rate, MM (1310 nm) with LC	12.1(12c)EV3
	15500-XVRA-10B1	Low band (16 to 200 Mbps) variable rate, SM (1310 nm) with LC	12.1(12c)EV3
	15500-XVRA-11A1	Mid band (200 to 622 Mbps) variable rate, MM (1310 nm) with LC	12.1(12c)EV3
	15500-XVRA-11B1	Mid band (200 to 1250 Mbps) variable rate, SM (1310 nm) with LC	12.1(12c)EV3
	15500-XVRA-12B1	High band (1.062 Gbps to 2.5 Gbps) variable rate, SM (1310 nm) with LC	12.1(12c)EV3

## Determining the Software Version



### Note

We strongly recommend that you use the latest available software release for all Cisco ONS 15540 ESP hardware.

To determine the version of Cisco IOS software currently running on a Cisco ONS 15540 ESP system, log in to the system and enter the **show version EXEC** command. The following sample output is from the **show version** command. The software version number is shown on the second line of the sample output.

```
Switch# show version
Cisco Internetwork Operating System Software
IOS (tm) ONS-15540 Software (ONS15540-I-M), Version 12.2(18)SV2
<Information deleted>
```

## Upgrading the System Image

To ensure proper system functioning, follow the system image upgrading procedure described in the *Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Configuration Guide and Command Reference*.



### Note

Always set the configuration register to 0x2102 when upgrading the system image using the **config-reg 0x2102** command in configuration mode.



### Caution

Improper system image upgrades can affect system functioning and redundancy. Always follow the recommended upgrade procedures.

## Feature Set Table

The Cisco IOS Release software is packaged in feature sets (also called software images) depending on the platform. Each feature set contains a specific set of Cisco IOS features. [Table 2](#) lists the Cisco IOS software feature sets available for the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP.

**Table 2** *Feature Sets Supported by the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP*

Feature Set	Introduced in This Release
Gigabit Ethernet	12.1(7a)EY2
Fast Ethernet	12.1(7a)EY2
Ethernet	12.1(7a)EY2
ATM OC-3/STM-1, OC-12/STM-4, and OC-48/STM-16	12.1(7a)EY2
SONET <sup>1</sup> /SDH <sup>2</sup>	12.1(7a)EY2
POS <sup>3</sup>	12.1(7a)EY2

**Table 2 Feature Sets Supported by the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP (Continued)**

Feature Set	Introduced in This Release
Coupling link	12.1(7a)EY2
Fibre Channel (1 Gbps)	12.1(7a)EY2
Fibre Channel (2 Gbps)	12.1(7a)EY2
FDDI <sup>4</sup>	12.1(7a)EY2
ESCON <sup>5</sup> SM (200 Mbps)	12.1(7a)EY2
FICON <sup>6</sup> (800 Mbps)	12.1(7a)EY2
FICON (1 Gbps)	12.1(12c)EV3
Token Ring	12.1(7a)EY2
SNMP	12.1(7a)EY2
CiscoView	12.1(7a)EY2
Cisco Transport Manager	12.1(7a)EY2
IP packets	12.1(7a)EY2
OSCP <sup>7</sup>	12.1(7a)EY2
APS <sup>8</sup> protocol packets	12.1(7a)EY2
Point-to-point	12.1(7a)EY2
Hubbed ring	12.1(7a)EY2
Meshed ring	12.1(7a)EY2
IBM GDPS <sup>9</sup> ETR/CLO <sup>10</sup>	12.1(7a)EY2
IBM GDPS <sup>9</sup> coupling link	12.1(7a)EY2
2-Gbps Fibre Channel protocol monitoring on transparent transponder	12.2(18)SV
2-Gbps FICON protocol monitoring	12.2(18)SV
Functional image version diagnostics	12.2(18)SV

1. SONET = Synchronous Optical Networking
2. SDH = Synchronous Digital Hierarchy
3. POS = Packet over SONET
4. FDDI = Fiber Distributed Data Interface
5. ESCON = Enterprise Systems Connection
6. FICON = Fiber Connection
7. OSCP = Optical Supervisory Channel Protocol
8. APS = Automatic Protection Switching
9. GDPS = Geographically Dispersed Parallel Sysplex
10. ETR/CLO = external timer reference/control link oscillator

## New and Changed Information

This section lists new features that appear in this and previous releases of Cisco IOS Release 12.2. The new features are sorted by release number.

## New Features in Release 12.2(18)SV2

No new features are available for this release.

## New Features in Release 12.2(18)SV1

No new features are available for this release.

## New Features in Release 12.2(18)SV

The following new software features are available for the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP in Cisco IOS Release 12.2(18)SV:

- 2-Gbps Fibre Channel protocol monitoring



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**Note** 2-Gbps Fibre Channel protocol monitoring requires transponder functional image release 1.A3.

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- 2-Gbps FICON protocol monitoring
- Data file with upgrade information for the ROMMON and functional images
- **show upgrade-info functional-image** command

## Caveats

This section describes open and resolved severity 1 and 2 caveats and certain severity 3 caveats. The “Open Caveats” section lists open caveats that apply to the current release and may apply to previous releases. The “Resolved Caveats” sections list caveats resolved in a particular release, but open in previous releases.

## Resolved Caveats in Release 12.2(18)SV3

- CSCef68324

Cisco Internetwork Operating System (IOS) software is vulnerable to a Denial of Service (DoS) and potentially an arbitrary code execution attack from a specifically crafted IPv6 packet. The packet must be sent from a local network segment. Only devices that have been explicitly configured to process IPv6 traffic are affected. Upon successful exploitation, the device may reload or be open to further exploitation.

Cisco has made free software available to address this vulnerability for all affected customers.

More details can be found in the security advisory that is posted at <http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/707/cisco-sa-20050729-ipv6.shtml>.



## Open Caveats in Release 12.2(18)SV2

- CSCec31146

**Symptom:** When monitoring is disabled, Loss of Light on the local transparent interface results in Loss of Sync on the far side wave interface.

**Workaround:** Enable monitoring on the transparent interface.

## Resolved Caveats in Release 12.2(18)SV2

- CSCeb87507

**Symptom:** In some instances the system crashes when it attempts to parse IP SNMP related commands.

**Workaround:** None.

- CSCed22589

**Symptom:** Link initialization failure due to Loss of Lock might occur for ESCON traffic on some transponder modules due to a transient failure of the clock recovery unit. Only some transponder modules are susceptible to this failure and not all. This is an initialization failure and not a run-time failure.

**Workaround:** None.

## Resolved Caveats in Release 12.2(18)SV1

- CSCec28182

**Symptom:** Tracebacks related to CPU hog issues are seen when reprogramming the 2.5-Gbps transponder module functional image.

**Workaround:** None.

- CSCec59409

**Symptom:** Issuing a **Ctrl-U** when connected to a raw TL1 port causes the system to crash.

**Workaround:** If a TL1 port is unused, apply an IP ACL to the management Ethernet interface that blocks the incoming TCP connections to that port.

## Resolved Caveats for Release 12.2(18)SV

- CSCdu53656

A Cisco device running IOS and enabled for the Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is vulnerable to a Denial of Service (DOS) attack from a malformed BGP packet. The BGP protocol is not enabled by default, and must be configured in order to accept traffic from an explicitly defined peer. Unless the malicious traffic appears to be sourced from a configured, trusted peer, it would be difficult to inject a malformed packet. BGP MD5 is a valid workaround for this problem.

Cisco has made free software available to address this problem. For more details, please refer to this advisory, available at <http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/707/cisco-sa-20040616-bgp.shtml>.

- CSCea28131

A Cisco device running IOS and enabled for the Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) is vulnerable to a Denial of Service (DOS) attack from a malformed BGP packet. The BGP protocol is not enabled by default, and must be configured in order to accept traffic from an explicitly defined peer. Unless the malicious traffic appears to be sourced from a configured, trusted peer, it would be difficult to inject a malformed packet. BGP MD5 is a valid workaround for this problem.

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- CSCeb61427

**Symptom:** The system crashes when the user exits from the console after the active processor card has been removed and inserted online and is switched back to being the active processor card.

**Workaround:** None.

- CSCeb72528

**Symptom:** Client Tx fault alarm is asserted when an SFP optics is inserted or upon a y-cable switchover.

**Workaround:** Upgrade to Cisco IOS Release 12.1(12c)EV3 and transponder functional image version 1.A2 or higher.

- CSCec05746

**Symptom:** In a point-to-point network topology setup where bidirectional PSM trunk fiber protection APS is configured, and the CDL (Converged Data Link) is configured for dcc and the controller type of the mux/demux module is 0x1104 (4-channel mux/demux module without OSC), APS is unable to track a valid ethernetDcc interface. Therefore the group cannot be associated.

**Workaround:** Do not configure CDL as dcc for PSM APS if the corresponding mux/demux module does not have OSC ports (controller type 0x1104).

- CSCec22377

**Symptom:** Continuous optical performance monitoring alarms cause memory leaks that lead to bus error exceptions and an unexpected reload.

**Workaround:** None.

- CSCec31503

**Symptom:** Unable to disable APS group through SNMP. The console or Telnet session hangs indefinitely after configuration mode is entered using the SNMP **set** command.

**Workaround:** Do not disable the APS group through SNMP.

- CSCec31512

**Symptom:** When you enter the **send break** command on the active CPU and keep the active CPU in the ROM monitor (ROMmon) mode for a long time, the standby CPU may reload because of a bus error exception.

**Workaround:** None.

## Limitations and Restrictions

This section provides limitations and restrictions for Cisco ONS 15540 ESP hardware and software.

## Transponder Modules

This section contains limitations and restrictions that apply to transponder modules.

- When you insert the standby transponder module in a y-cable protected configuration, remove the cable from the transponder module before inserting the transponder module into the shelf. Failure to remove the cable might result in errors that can affect the performance of the active signal received by the client equipment.
- CRC errors may occur with 2-Gbps Fibre Channel on single-mode transponders when high input power levels are received from the client laser sources.

Data errors or link-down conditions for 2-Gbps Fibre Channel might occur when used with certain client laser sources. Transmitters in some client GBIC and SFP transceiver units might send large overshoots in optical power with signal bit transitions, causing momentary overload conditions on the transponder client side receiver. The average transmitted power level from the GBIC does not violate the overload specification of the transponder client side receiver, so a power meter does not detect the overload.

The workaround is to attenuate the signal from the client equipment to a recommended level of -12 dBm when transmitting 2-Gbps Fibre Channel services.

- Error-free transmission of some D1 video signals (defined by the SMPTE 259M standard) and test patterns (such as Matrix SDI) cannot be guaranteed by the Cisco 15500 Series because of the pathological pattern in D1 video. This well-known limitation is usually overcome by the D1 video equipment vendor, who uses a proprietary, second level of scrambling. No standards exist at this time for the second level of scrambling.

## Related Documentation

Refer to the following documents for more information about the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP:

- [Regulatory Compliance and Safety Information for the Cisco ONS 15500 Series](#)
- [Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Planning Guide](#)
- [Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Hardware Installation Guide](#)
- [Cisco ONS 15540 ESP and Cisco ONS 15540 ESPx Optical Transport Turn-Up and Test Guide](#)
- [Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Configuration Guide and Command Reference](#)
- [Quick Reference for the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP and Cisco ONS 15540 ESPx TLI Commands](#)
- [Cisco ONS 15540 ESP System Alarms and Error Messages](#)
- [Cisco ONS 15540 ESP Troubleshooting Guide](#)
- [Network Management for the Cisco ONS 15540 ESP](#)
- [Cisco ONS 15540 ESP MIB Quick Reference](#)

## Obtaining Documentation

Cisco provides several ways to obtain documentation, technical assistance, and other technical resources. These sections explain how to obtain technical information from Cisco Systems.

## Cisco.com

You can access the most current Cisco documentation on the World Wide Web at this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/univercd/home/home.htm>

You can access the Cisco website at this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com>

International Cisco websites can be accessed from this URL:

[http://www.cisco.com/public/countries\\_languages.shtml](http://www.cisco.com/public/countries_languages.shtml)

## Documentation CD-ROM

Cisco documentation and additional literature are available in a Cisco Documentation CD-ROM package, which may have shipped with your product. The Documentation CD-ROM is updated regularly and may be more current than printed documentation. The CD-ROM package is available as a single unit or through an annual or quarterly subscription.

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