



Release Notes for StarOS™ Software Version 21.11.18

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Introduction

This Release Notes identify changes and issues related to this software release. This emergency release is based on release 21.11.17. This Release Notes is applicable to the ASR5500, VPC-SI, and VPC-DI platforms.

Release Package Version Information

Software Packages	Version
StarOS packages	21.11.18, build 78488

Descriptions for the various packages provided with this release are located in [Release Package Descriptions](#).

Feature and Behavior Changes

The following features and/or behavior changes have been introduced in this emergency release.

Refer to the [Release Change Reference](#) for a complete list of feature and behavior changes associated with the software release on which this emergency release is based.

Related Documentation

For a complete list of documentation available for this release, go to <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/wireless/asr-5000-series/products-installation-and-configuration-guides-list.html>.

Installation and Upgrade Notes

This Release Note does not contain installation and upgrade instructions. Refer to the existing installation documentation for specific installation and upgrade considerations.

Firmware Updates

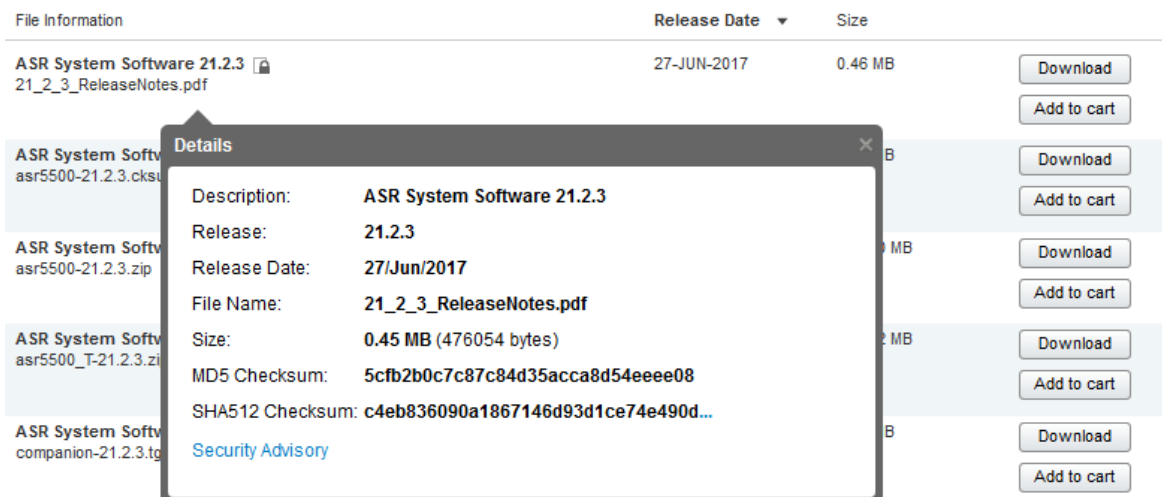
There are no firmware upgrades required for this release.

Software Integrity Verification

To verify the integrity of the software image you have from Cisco, you can validate the SHA512 checksum information against the checksum identified by Cisco for the software.

Image checksum information is available through the following mechanisms:

- **Cisco.com Software Download Details:** To find the checksum, hover the mouse pointer over the software image you have downloaded.



At the bottom you find the SHA512 checksum, if you do not see the whole checksum you can expand it by pressing the "..." at the end.

- **.cksums file:** A file containing software image checksum information is distributed with the image files. The naming convention for this file is:

`<product>-<version>.cksums`

Example: `asr5500-21.4.0.cksums`

To validate the information, calculate a SHA512 checksum using the information in [Table 1](#) and verify that it matches either the one provided on the software download page.

To calculate a SHA512 checksum on your local desktop please see the table below.

Table 1 – Checksum Calculations per Operating System

Operating System	SHA512 checksum calculation command examples
Microsoft Windows	Open a command line window and type the following command <code>> certutil.exe -hashfile <filename>.<extension> SHA512</code>
Apple MAC	Open a terminal window and type the following command <code>\$ shasum -a 512 <filename>.<extension></code>
Linux	Open a terminal window and type the following command <code>\$ sha512sum <filename>.<extension></code> Or <code>\$ shasum -a 512 <filename>.<extension></code>

Open Bugs for This Release

Operating System	SHA512 checksum calculation command examples
NOTES: <filename> is the name of the file. <extension> is the file extension (e.g. .zip or .tgz).	

If the SHA512 checksum matches, you can be sure that no one has tampered with the software image or the image has not been corrupted during download.

If the SHA512 checksum does not match, we advise you to not attempt upgrading any systems with the corrupted software image. Download the software again and verify the SHA512 checksum again. If there is a constant mismatch, please open a case with the Cisco Technical Assistance Center.

Certificate Validation

StarOS software images are signed via x509 certificates. Please view the .README file packaged with the software for information and instructions on how to validate the certificates.

NOTE: Image signing is not currently supported for VPC-SI and/or VPC-DI software packages.

Open Bugs for This Release

The table below highlights the known bugs that were found in, and/or that remain open in this software release.

NOTE: This software release may contain open bugs first identified in other releases. Additional information for all open bugs for this release are available in the [Cisco Bug Search Tool](#).

Bug ID	Headline	Product Found*
CSCvm83524	[BP-CUPS] Assert failure at egtpc_handle_user_sap_event()	cups-cp
CSCvn14097	[BP-CUPS] Access Type of Pure-S call is displayed as 'Unknown'	cups-up
CSCvk63958	[PLT-CUPS-ICUPS-VPP]Single user performance blocked due to VPP_MAIN is in over state	cups-up
CSCvu78408	No NAS level restriction of NR from MME when NR barred from HSS	mme
CSCvn39767	Unexpected session manager restart- _do_acs_usertcp_event_handler()	pdn-gw
CSCvm65884	PGW-Around 5% increase in sessmgr memory in 21.11.M0.70658 wrt 21.9.M0.69679 baseline CEPS test	pdn-gw
CSCvs99961	ppp_l2tp_allow_auth_no_pco flag not set after fresh boot	pdn-gw
CSCvp03633	'Accounting-Request' counter is not getting pegged if response from RADIUS server is missing	pdn-gw
CSCvr84363	Session manager restart during data packet processing with Final Unit Indication enabled	pdn-gw
CSCvn74134	[BP-ICUPS] sm crash - sn_msg_arriving_handle	pdn-gw
CSCvu55467	[BP-ICUPS] Session Controller restart observed during data_backup_read_abort	pdn-gw
CSCvn35333	[BP-ICUPS] uplinkdata and downlinkdata volume values are not correct in PGWCDR after XHDR insertion	sae-gw

Bug ID	Headline	Product Found*
CSCvm82008	[BP-ICUPS]:HTTP volume based offload is not happening after PDN update	sae-gw
CSCvs67994	Assertion failure with sessmgr_gprs_process_del_sub_session	sgsn
CSCvm98426	[PLT-ICUPS-VPP] Not able to send fragmented packet through VPP.	staros
CSCvn23275	[PLT-ICUPS] Both DPC2 rebooted upon planned migration	staros
CSCvs19562	LI Data are sent in the clear over the DI LAN	staros
* Information in the "Product Found" column identifies the product in which the bug was initially identified.		

Resolved Bugs for This Release

The table below highlights the known bugs that are resolved in this specific software release.

NOTE: This software release may contain bug fixes first introduced in other releases. Additional information for all resolved bugs for this release are available in the [Cisco Bug Search Tool](#).

Bug ID	Headline	Product Found*
CSCvu06329	[CUPS-DI-CP] [CEPS] CEPS case for Ultra platform taking too high iftask utilization	cups-cp
CSCvv33067	gtpmgr and vpnmgr take time to restart when demux migrated due to DIMM ECC Error detected.	cups-cp
CSCvp73771	Multiple sessmgr restart observed when removing group-of-ruledef config	pdn-gw
CSCvr54121	CLI memory leak with CLI "sho lawful-intercept all";	pdn-gw
CSCvu82604	SF port fluctuation & BFD session keeps on flap	pdn-gw
CSCvs38039	VPC-DI 21.12.0 (71244) Log rotation is not happening for the iftask_logs file	pdn-gw
CSCvr43658	[VPC-DI] SF iftask continually crashes when core 1 is configured in MCDMA mode	staros
CSCvt00941	[CUPS]Port flapping occurred continuously on SF node	staros
CSCvu96129	[VPC-DI/SI] Backport i40evf interrupt handler patch to iftask dpdk 16.07	staros
CSCvo46728	random BFD sessions do NOT comeup at time of VNF reload - Flap peer leaf interface to recover	staros
CSCvq92035	[VPC-DI] Excessive packet receive latency on XL710 NICs under no/light load conditions.	staros
CSCvq31832	IPv6 PMTU discovery does not work and MSS 9040 is chosen by BGP	staros
CSCvv21979	[VPC] sw-rss does not handle ipv4 packets correctly that introduces out of order packets	staros
CSCvs02983	[CUPS]iftask failurer @ infwdr_msg_pool alloc failure	staros
CSCvs55348	Non-fatal dump keep happening at messenger/xpt_tcp.c:1030	staros
CSCvu66311	hd raid lost after CF switchover - UltraM - RHEL OSP13	staros
* Information in the "Product Found" column identifies the product in which the bug was initially identified.		

Operator Notes

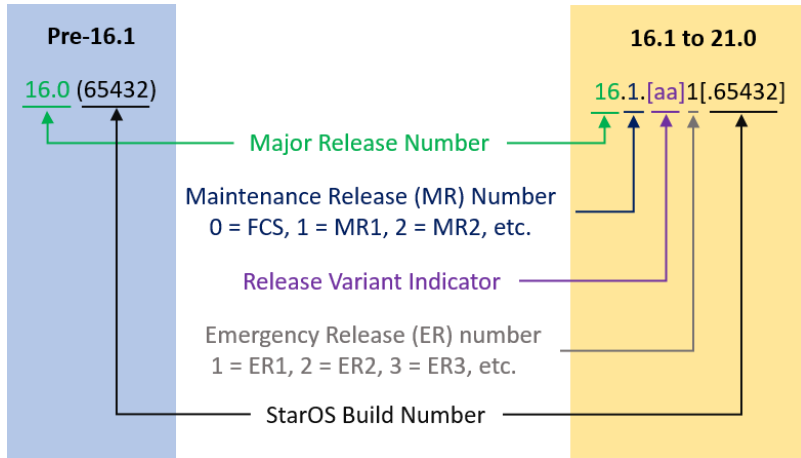
StarOS Version Numbering System

The output of the **show version** command displays detailed information about the version of StarOS currently running on the ASR 5x00 or Cisco Virtualized Packet Core platform.

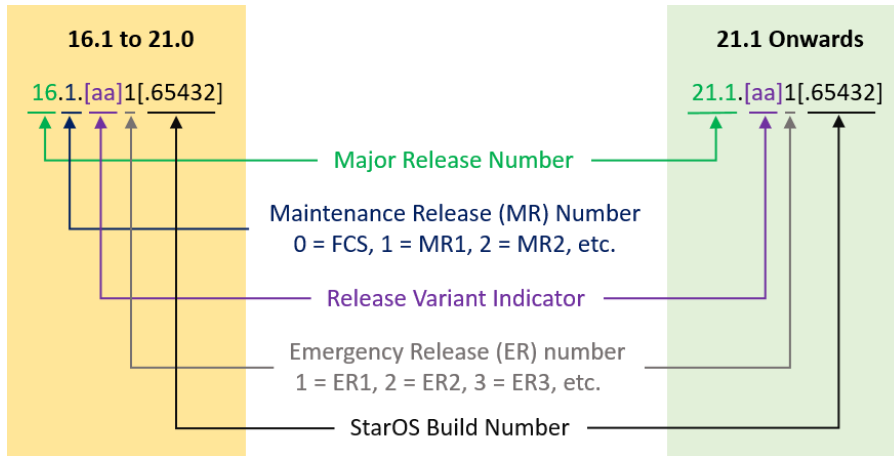
Prior to release 16.1, the *Image Version* field displayed a branch of software including the build number, for example "16.0 (55435)". Subsequent releases of software for the major release differed only in build number. Lab Quality/EFT releases versus deployment releases also differed only in build number.

From release 16.1 onwards, the output of the **show version** command, as well as the terminology used to describe the Build Version Number fields, has changed. Additionally, **show version** will display slightly different information depending on whether or not a build is suitable for deployment.

The Version Build Number for releases between 16.1 and 21.0 include a major, maintenance, and emergency release number, for example “16.1.2”.



The Version Build Number for releases 21.1 and later include a major and emergency release number, for example, “21.1.1”.



In either scenario, the appropriate version number field increments after a version has been released. The new version numbering format is a contiguous sequential number that represents incremental changes between releases. This format will facilitate identifying the changes between releases when using Bug Search Tool to research software releases.

Release Package Descriptions

[Table 2](#) lists provides descriptions for the packages that are available with this release.

Table 2 - Release Package Information

Package	Description
ASR 5500	
asr5500-<release>.bin	A zip file containing the signed ASR 5500 software image, the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.

Package	Description
asr5500_T-<release>.bin	A zip file containing the signed, trusted ASR 5500 software image, the signature file, a verification script, the x509 certificate, and a README file containing information on how to use the script to validate the certificate.
VPC-DI	
qvpdc-di-<release>.bin	The VPC-DI binary software image which is used to replace a previously deployed image on the flash disk in existing installations.
qvpdc-di_T-<release>.bin	The trusted VPC-DI binary software image which is used to replace a previously deployed image on the flash disk in existing installations.
qvpdc-di-<release>.iso	The VPC-DI ISO used for new deployments a new virtual machine is manually created and configured to boot from a CD image.
qvpdc-di_T-<release>.iso	The trusted VPC-DI ISO used for new deployments a new virtual machine is manually created and configured to boot from a CD image.
qvpdc-di-template-vmware-<release>.tgz	The VPC-DI binary software image that is used to on-board the software directly into Vmware.
qvpdc-di-template-vmware_T-<release>.tgz	The trusted VPC-DI binary software image that is used to on-board the software directly into Vmware.
qvpdc-di-template-libvirt-kvm-<release>.tgz	This is an archive that includes the same VPC-DI ISO identified above, but additional installation files for using it on KVM.
qvpdc-di-template-libvirt-kvm_T-<release>.tgz	This is an archive that includes the same trusted VPC-DI ISO identified above, but additional installation files for using it on KVM.
qvpdc-di-<release>.qcow2.tgz	The VPC-DI binary software image in a format that can be loaded directly with KVM using an XML definition file, or with OpenStack.
qvpdc-di_T-<release>.qcow2.tgz	The trusted VPC-DI binary software image in a format that can be loaded directly with KVM using an XML definition file, or with OpenStack.
VPC-SI	
qvpdc-si-<release>.bin	The VPC-SI binary software image which is used to replace a previously deployed image on the flash disk in existing installations.
qvpdc-si_T-<release>.bin	The trusted VPC-SI binary software image which is used to replace a previously deployed image on the flash disk in existing installations.
qvpdc-si-<release>.iso	The VPC-SI ISO used for new deployments a new virtual machine is manually created and configured to boot from a CD image.
qvpdc-si_T-<release>.iso	The trusted VPC-SI ISO used for new deployments a new virtual machine is manually created and configured to boot from a CD image.
qvpdc-si-template-vmware-<release>.ova	The VPC-SI binary software image that is used to on-board the software directly into Vmware.
qvpdc-si-template-vmware_T-<release>.ova	The trusted VPC-SI binary software image that is used to on-board the software directly into Vmware.
qvpdc-si-template-libvirt-kvm-<release>.tgz	This is an archive that includes the same VPC-SI ISO identified above, but additional installation files for using it on KVM.

Package	Description
qvmc-si-template-libvirt-kvm_T-<release>.tgz	This is an archive that includes the same trusted VPC-SI ISO identified above, but additional installation files for using it on KVM.
qvmc-si-<release>.qcow2.gz	The VPC-SI binary software image in a format that can be loaded directly with KVM using an XML definition file, or with OpenStack.
qvmc-si_T-<release>.qcow2.gz	The trusted VPC-SI binary software image in a format that can be loaded directly with KVM using an XML definition file, or with OpenStack.
StarOS Companion Package	
companion-<release>.tgz	An archive containing numerous files pertaining to this version of the StarOS including SNMP MIBs, RADIUS dictionaries, ORBEM clients. These files pertain to both trusted and non-trusted build variants.

Obtaining Documentation and Submitting a Service Request

For information on obtaining documentation, using the Cisco Bug Search Tool (BST), submitting a service request, and gathering additional information, see *What's New in Cisco Product Documentation*, at:

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/td/docs/general/whatsnew/whatsnew.html>.

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