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# Chapter 1: Preface

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## Purpose

This document provides information on features in the following products:

- Extreme Networks Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 Series
- Extreme Networks Ethernet Routing Switch 5900 Series

This document describes information regarding the suite of documents for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series. It also describes how the content is organized across the document suite.

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## Training

Ongoing product training is available. For more information or to register, you can access the Web site at [www.extremenetworks.com/education/](http://www.extremenetworks.com/education/).

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- A description of any action(s) already taken to resolve the problem
- A description of your network environment (such as layout, cable type, other relevant environmental information)
- Network load at the time of trouble (if known)
- The device history (for example, if you have returned the device before, or if this is a recurring problem)
- Any related RMA (Return Material Authorization) numbers

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7. Confirm your geographic information is correct.
8. Select the products for which you would like to receive notifications.
9. Click **Submit**.

# Chapter 2: New in this document

The following sections detail what is new in *Documentation Reference for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series*.

## **Features**

There are no feature changes in this document.



# Chapter 3: Technical documentation changes

The following sections describe new, restructured, and retired documents.

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## New documents

No new documents were introduced in this release.

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## Restructured documents

No documents were restructured in this release.

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## Retired documents

No documents were retired in this release.

# Chapter 4: Roadmap

Use this section to find the correct document for the task you need to perform.

The technical documents are structured with an emphasis on the tasks you perform.

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## Customer documentation packaging

Technical documents are organized according to job functions. Following are the job functions:

- [Product Fundamentals](#) on page 10
- [Installation and Commissioning](#) on page 11
- [Upgrades and Patches](#) on page 12
- [Operations](#) on page 12
- [Administration and Security](#) on page 13
- [Fault and Performance Management](#) on page 13

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## Product Fundamentals

Product Fundamentals documentation includes product overview and information that applies to all areas of the product.

**Table 1: Product fundamentals documents**

Document title	Description
<i>Regulatory Information Reference for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides information about regulatory messages.
<i>Documentation Reference for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document contains an overview of the documentation suite and explains how to use task-based documentation.
<i>Using CLI and EDM on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides instructions to use the user interfaces, including Command Line Interface (CLI) and

*Table continues...*

Document title	Description
	Enterprise Device Manager (EDM), and includes procedures to use configuration files.
<i>CLI Commands Reference for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides default values and proper syntax for the CLI commands.
<i>Locating the Latest Product Software and Release Notes for Ethernet Routing Switch 5900 Series</i>  <i>Locating the Latest Product Software and Release Notes for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 Series</i>	This document provides information about locating the documentation and software.

## Installation and Commissioning

Installation and Commissioning documentation includes information that supports initial installation and commissioning (initial configuration) activities, including preparation, processes, safety requirements, and instructions for rollback procedures.

The following table describes installation and commissioning documents.

**Table 2: Installation and commissioning documents**

Document title	Description
<i>Quick Start Configuration for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides instructions to connect and initially configure the switch for your network.
<i>Installing Ethernet Routing Switch 5900 Series</i> <i>Installing Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 Series</i>	This document provides instructions to install the switch in an equipment rack (individually or in a stack) or on a shelf. It also provides instructions to perform the initial IP configuration on the switch using CLI, BootP, or the IP.CFG file. It also provides instructions to verify the switch status using the front-panel LEDs.
<i>Installing Transceivers and Optical Components on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides instructions to install small form factor pluggable transceivers, 10 Gigabit small form factor pluggable transceivers, and includes specifications for these hardware components.
<i>Quick Install for Ethernet Routing Switch 5900 Series</i> <i>Quick Install for Ethernet Routing Switch 59100 Series</i> <i>Quick Install for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 Series</i>	This document provides instructions to install the switch in an equipment rack or on a shelf and prepare for network connectivity.

*Table continues...*

Document title	Description
<i>Installation Job Aid (English) for Ethernet Routing Switch 5900 Series</i> <i>Installation Job Aid (English) for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 Series</i>	This document provides instructions to install the switch in English. The document also includes safety messages and power connection instructions.
<i>Configuring Systems on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides instructions to perform basic configuration of the switch including procedures to configure the switch IP address after hardware installation. It also provides instructions to configure system-level features such as stacking, feature licensing, Simple Network Time Protocol (SNTP), BootP, Domain Name System, Power over Ethernet (PoE), and Layer Discovery Protocol (LLDP).

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## Upgrades

Upgrades documentation enables you to upgrade hardware and software from one release to another for the product.

**Table 3: Upgrades documents**

Document title	Description
<i>Release Notes for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document describes new features and important information about the latest release. Release Notes includes a list of known issues (including workarounds where appropriate) and a list of fixed issues.

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## Operations

Operations documents include information that supports tasks related to configuration (post-commissioning) of services or applications, routine maintenance of hardware or software, and accounting or billing activities.

The following table describes the switch operations documents.

**Table 4: Operations documents**

Document title	Description
<i>Configuring VLANs, Spanning Tree, and MultiLink Trunking on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document describes procedures and conceptual information to configure VLANs, Spanning Tree, Link

*Table continues...*

Document title	Description
	Aggregation Control Protocol, and Multi-Link Trunking.
<i>Configuring Quality of Service on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides procedures and conceptual information to configure Quality of Service.
<i>Configuring IP Routing and Multicast on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides procedures and conceptual information to configure IP routing features on the switch, including static routes, Proxy ARP, DHCP Relay, and UDP forwarding. It also provides procedures and conceptual information to manage multicast traffic using IGMP and MLD snooping.
<i>Configuring Fabric Connect on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides procedures and conceptual information to configure Shortest Path Bridging MAC.

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## Administration and Security

Administration and Security documentation includes information that supports tasks performed by operations personnel, which relate to network administration or product security, including the configuration and management of systems data and users. The documentation also includes the management and protection of resources from unauthorized or detrimental access and use.

The following table describes the switch administration and security documents.

**Table 5: Administration and security documents**

Document title	Description
<i>Configuring Security on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides procedures and conceptual information to administer and configure security features for the switch, including MAC-based security, RADIUS, EAPOL, SSH, and IPv6 First Hop Security (FHS).

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## Fault and Performance Management

Fault and Performance Management documents include information that supports the tasks performed by operations personnel, which relate to managing or preventing faults, troubleshooting, and monitoring and improving the performance of the network or product

The following table describes fault and performance management documents.

**Table 6: Fault and performance management documents**

<b>Document title</b>	<b>Description</b>
<i>Configuring System Monitoring on Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document provides information about system diagnostics tools including syslog, Remote Monitoring, port mirroring, and displaying port and chassis statistics.
<i>Troubleshooting Switch 4900 and 5900 Series</i>	This document describes common problems and error messages and the techniques to resolve them.

# Chapter 5: Information quality

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# Chapter 6: Text conventions

This chapter describes the text conventions used in the documentation.

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## Angle brackets

Indicates that you choose the text to enter based on the description inside the brackets. Do not type the brackets when entering the command.

Example: If the command syntax is `ping <ip_address>`, you enter `ping 192.32.10.12`.

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## Bold or Bold Courier text

**Bold** or **Bold Courier** text indicates command names. Example 2 displays how the text that you type appears. Example 3 displays how file paths appear.

### Example

Use the `info` command.

### Example

Enter `show ip {alerts|routes}`.

### Example

**Protocols > IP** identifies the IP command on the Protocols menu.

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## Braces

Braces (`{ }`) indicate required elements in syntax descriptions where more than one option is available. You must choose only one option. Do not type the braces when you enter the command.

Example: If the command syntax is `show ip {alerts|routes}`, you must enter either `show ip alerts` or `show ip routes`, but not both.



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## Brackets

Brackets ([ ]) indicate optional elements in syntax descriptions. Do not type the brackets when you enter the command.

Example: If the command syntax is **show ip interfaces [-alerts]**, you can enter either `show ip interfaces` or `show ip interfaces -alerts`.

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## Ellipses

An ellipsis (...) indicates that you repeat the last element of the command as needed.

Example: If the command syntax is **ethernet/2/1 [ <parameter> <value> ] . . .**, you enter `ethernet/2/1` and as many parameter-value pairs as you need.

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## Italic text

*Italic text* indicates book titles or new terms followed by a definition.

Example: *Release Notes for Ethernet Routing Switch 4900 and 5900 Series*.

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## Plain Courier text

`Plain Courier` text indicates system output, for example, prompts and system messages.

Example: `Set Trap Monitor Filters`

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## Separator

A separator ( > ) shows menu paths.

Example: **Protocols > IP** identifies the IP command on the Protocols menu.

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## Vertical bar

A vertical bar ( | ) separates choices for command keywords and arguments. Enter only one choice. Do not type the vertical line when you enter the command.

Example: If the command syntax is **show ip {alerts|routes}**, you enter either `show ip alerts` or `show ip routes`, but not both.

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## cr convention

In CLI procedures, when you see <cr> as an option for a command, you can press the Enter key on your keyboard to execute the command.

# Chapter 7: Task-based information

Task-based information, a quick reference for using the task-based documentation, describes the structure of task-based information and how it can be used most effectively.

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## Task-based documentation

Task-based documentation is a new way of packaging customer information in a structured, task-centric format.

Task-based documentation focuses on what the user must do and the sequence in which to perform tasks.

The goal is to make documentation easy to find, easy to use, timely, and accurate.

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## How to use task-based documentation

In task-based documentation, procedural information is included in the document. Conceptual and reference information is provided, and the user is guided on how to use conceptual and reference material by identified prerequisites or direct links and references.

The user navigates the information by following the flows that are provided for tasks and procedures.

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## Task flow overview

Task flows are flowcharts that illustrate which procedures and decisions are involved to complete an activity.

The task flows guide you through activities to use the switch, whether it is configuration, upgrading, installation, maintenance, or troubleshooting.

Each flow provides the prerequisites and links to the tasks or procedures.

To perform or refer to a procedure, always follow the task flow. Following the task flows ensures that you meet all the requirements for successful completion of the task.

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## Work flows, task flows, and procedures

Work flows, task flows, and procedures have similar elements to maintain consistency and usability. Each of the following sections have a specific function:

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### Purpose statements

Purpose statements explain why or when you would perform a work flow, task, or procedure and impact.

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### Prerequisites

Prerequisites list everything you must do or understand before you start the workflow, task, or procedure. Prerequisites can include tasks that should already be completed, risks, confirmation of system status, required knowledge, time estimates or limitations, and links to supporting information.

The prerequisite section is omitted if no required prerequisites exist.

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### Work flows or task flows

This section is the flow chart diagram that represents the task flow with navigational links to the tasks or procedures in the flow.

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### Procedure steps

Procedures provide numerical steps that help you perform the procedure. Each step is a single action.

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## Example procedures

Some procedures use examples to show how to correctly perform the procedure with realistic settings.

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## Variable definitions

Variable definitions provide the possible values, ranges, or definitions of variables used in the procedure steps.

If variables are not used in the procedure; then the variables definition section is omitted.

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## Job aid

Job aids provide information help to successfully perform the procedure.

A job aid is only used when required.

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## Task-based documentation terms

The following table describes task-based documentation terms.

Term	Description
Work flow	A high or top-level group of tasks.
Task or task flow	A logical group of procedures represented as a single action in a flowchart diagram. Complex tasks can be divided into simpler tasks or subtasks.
Procedure	A logical group of single action steps in a task.
Step	A single action performed in a procedure.
Variable	A placeholder in procedure steps representing a value or definition.

Restructuring technical documents into a task-based format is an ongoing initiative. The documentation for some products is already converted to the new format.