

# End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco IOS XR Software Release 6.8



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## Overview

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Cisco announces the end-of-sale and end-of-life dates for the Cisco IOS XR Software Release 6.8. The last day to order the affected product(s) is February 4, 2023. Customers with active service contracts will continue to receive support from the Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) as shown in Table 1 of the EoL bulletin. Table 1 describes the end-of-life milestones, definitions, and dates for the affected product(s). For customers with active and paid service and support contracts, support will be available under the terms and conditions of customers' service contract.

## End-of-life milestones

**Table 1.** End-of-life milestones and dates for the Cisco IOS XR Software Release 6.8

Milestone	Definition	Date
<b>End-of-Life Announcement Date</b>	The date the document that announces the end-of-sale and end-of-life of a product is distributed to the general public.	August 6, 2022
<b>End-of-Sale Date: OS SW</b>	The last date to order the product through Cisco point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale after this date.	February 6, 2023
<b>Last Ship Date: OS SW</b>	The last-possible ship date that can be requested of Cisco and/or its contract manufacturers. Actual ship date is dependent on lead time.	May 6, 2023
<b>End of SW Maintenance Releases Date: OS SW</b>	The last date that Cisco Engineering may release any final software maintenance releases or bug fixes for. After this date, Cisco Engineering will no longer develop, repair, maintain, or test the product software. The only exception is Vulnerability/Security issues that will be addressed as shown in the End of Vulnerability/Security Support milestone below. The last date that Cisco Engineering may release any final software maintenance releases or bug fixes. After this date, Cisco Engineering will no longer develop, repair, maintain, or test the product software.	August 6, 2023
<b>End of Extended SW Maintenance Releases Date: OS SW</b>	The last date that Cisco Engineering may release any final software maintenance releases or bug fixes. After this date, Cisco Engineering will no longer develop, repair, maintain, or test the product software. The only exception is Vulnerability/Security issues that will be addressed as shown in the End of Vulnerability/Security Support milestone below. The milestone applies to the Extended Maintenance Release (EMR) rebuild.	August 6, 2024
<b>End of Vulnerability/Security Support: OS SW</b>	The last date that Cisco Engineering may release bug fixes for Vulnerability or Security issues for. After this date, bug fixes for Vulnerability or Security issues identified in may be provided through later supported software releases. Note that there will be no rebuild releases of provided after this End of Vulnerability/Security Support milestone date. The last date that Cisco Engineering may release a planned maintenance release or scheduled software remedy for a security vulnerability issue.	August 6, 2025

Milestone	Definition	Date
<b>Last Date of Support: OS SW</b>	The last date to receive applicable service and support for the product as entitled by active service contracts or by warranty terms and conditions. After this date, all support services for the product are unavailable, and the product becomes obsolete.	February 29, 2028

HW = Hardware      OS SW = Operating System Software      App. SW = Application Software

## Product migration options

Service prices for Cisco products are subject to change after the product End of Sale date.

The Cisco Takeback and Recycle program helps businesses properly dispose of surplus products that have reached their end of useful life. The program is open to all business users of Cisco equipment and its associated brands and subsidiaries. For more information, go to:

[https://www.cisco.com/web/about/ac227/ac228/ac231/about\\_cisco\\_takeback\\_recycling.html](https://www.cisco.com/web/about/ac227/ac228/ac231/about_cisco_takeback_recycling.html).

## For more information

For more information about the Cisco End-of-Life Policy, go to: <https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/eos-eol-policy.html>.

For more information about the Cisco Product Warranties, go to: <https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/warranty-listing.html>.

To subscribe to receive end-of-life/end-of-sale information, go to: <https://cway.cisco.com/mynotifications>.

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