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## Document Objectives

The purpose of this guide is to help you configure general operations for the Secure Firewall ASA series using the command-line interface. This guide does not cover every feature, but describes only the most common configuration scenarios.

You can also configure and monitor the ASA by using the Adaptive Security Device Manager (ASDM), a web-based GUI application. ASDM includes configuration wizards to guide you through some common configuration scenarios, and online help for less common scenarios.

Throughout this guide, the term "ASA" applies generically to supported models, unless specified otherwise.

## Related Documentation

For more information, see *Navigating the Cisco ASA Series Documentation* at http://www.cisco.com/go/asadocs.

## Document Conventions

This document adheres to the following text, display, and alert conventions.

### Text Conventions

| Convention | Indication |
|---|---|
| **boldface** | Commands, keywords, button labels, field names, and user-entered text appear in **boldface**. For menu-based commands, the full path to the command is shown. |

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|---|---|
| *italic* | Variables, for which you supply values, are presented in an *italic* typeface.<br>Italic type is also used for document titles, and for general emphasis. |
| `monospace` | Terminal sessions and information that the system displays appear in `monospace` type. |
| {x \| y \| z} | Required alternative keywords are grouped in braces and separated by vertical bars. |
| [ ] | Elements in square brackets are optional. |
| [x \| y \| z] | Optional alternative keywords are grouped in square brackets and separated by vertical bars. |
| [ ] | Default responses to system prompts are also in square brackets. |
| < > | Non-printing characters such as passwords are in angle brackets. |
| !, # | An exclamation point (!) or a number sign (#) at the beginning of a line of code indicates a comment line. |

### Reader Alerts

This document uses the following for reader alerts:



**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 do something that could result in equipment damage or loss of data.



**Timesaver** Means *the described action saves time.* You can save time by performing the action described in the paragraph.



**Warning** **Means *reader be warned.* In this situation, you might perform an action that could result in bodily injury.**

# Communications, Services, and Additional Information

- To receive timely, relevant information from Cisco, sign up at Cisco Profile Manager.
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- To obtain general networking, training, and certification titles, visit Cisco Press.
- To find warranty information for a specific product or product family, access Cisco Warranty Finder.

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