

## End-of-Sale and End-of-Life Announcement for the Cisco MDS 9506 Multilayer Director

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Cisco announces the end-of-sale and end-of life dates for the Cisco MDS 9506 Multilayer Director. The last day to order the affected product(s) is October 31, 2016. 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). Table 2 lists the product part numbers affected by this announcement. For customers with active and paid service and support contracts, support will be available under the terms and conditions of customers' service contract.

**Table 1.** End-of-Life Milestones and Dates for the Cisco MDS 9506 Multilayer Director

| 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.   | October 31, 2015 |
| <b>End-of-Sale Date</b>                         | The last date to order the product through Cisco point-of-sale mechanisms. The product is no longer for sale after this date.   | October 31, 2016 |
| <b>Last Ship Date: HW</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.   | January 29, 2017 |
| <b>End of SW Maintenance Releases Date: HW</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.   | October 31, 2017 |
| <b>End of Routine Failure Analysis Date: HW</b> | The last-possible date a routine failure analysis may be performed to determine the cause of hardware product failure or defect.  | October 31, 2017 |
| <b>End of New Service Attachment Date: HW</b>   | For equipment and software that is not covered by a service-and-support contract, this is the last date to order a new service-and-support contract or add the equipment and/or software to an existing service-and-support contract.                         | October 31, 2017 |
| <b>End of Service Contract Renewal Date: HW</b> | The last date to extend or renew a service contract for the product.  | July 11, 2021    |
| <b>Last Date of Support: HW</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. | April 30, 2022   |

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

**Table 2.** Product Part Numbers Affected by This Announcement

| End-of-Sale Product Part Number | Product Description  | Replacement Product Part Number                                       | Replacement Product Description                              | Additional Information |
|---------------------------------|--|---|--|------------------------|
| <b>DS-6SLOT-CAB=</b>            | MDS 9506 Rack Mount and Cable Mgmt Brackets, spare           | There is currently no replacement product available for this product. |  |                        |
| <b>DS-6SLOT-FAN=</b>            | MDS 9506 Fan Tray (Spare)                                    | DS-C9706-FAN=   | MDS 9706 FAN Tray  |                        |
| <b>DS-9506-KIT-CCO</b>          | MDS 9506 Accessory Kit for Cisco                             | DS-9706-KIT-CCO   | MDS 9706 Accessory Kit for Cisco                             |                        |
| <b>DS-9506-KIT-CCO=</b>         | MDS 9506 Accessory Kit for CCO, Spare                        | DS-9706-KIT-CCO=  | MDS 9706 Accessory Kit for Cisco, spare                      |                        |
| <b>DS-9506-KIT-EMC</b>          | MDS 9506 Accessory Kit for EMC                               | DS-9706-KIT-EMC   | MDS 9706 Accessory Kit for EMC                               |                        |
| <b>DS-9506-KIT-HDS</b>          | MDS 9506 Accessory Kit for HDS                               | DS-9706-KIT-HDS   | MDS 9706 Accessory Kit for HDS                               |                        |
| <b>DS-9506-KIT-HP</b>           | MDS 9506 Accessory Kit for HP                                | DS-9706-KIT-HP  | MDS 9706 Accessory Kit for HP                                |                        |
| <b>DS-9506-KIT-IBM</b>          | MDS 9506 Accessory Kit for IBM                               | DS-9706-KIT-IBM   | MDS 9706 Accessory Kit for IBM                               |                        |
| <b>DS-9506-KIT-NPE</b>          | MDS 9506 Accessory Kit for NPE                               | There is currently no replacement product available for this product. |  |                        |
| <b>DS-C9506</b>                 | MDS 9506 Chassis   | DS-C9706  | MDS 9706 Chassis No Power Supplies, Fans Included            |                        |
| <b>DS-C9506-2AHK9</b>           | MDS 9506: Chassis, 2 Sup-2A, 2 1.9K AC PS for HP and Service | DS-C9706H-1K9   | MDS 9710 Base Config HP Chassis FANs 2 Sup-1 3 Fab-1 4 PS 3K |                        |
| <b>DS-C9506-2AK9</b>            | MDS 9506 Base Config: Chassis, 2 Sup-2A, 2 1.9K AC PS        | DS-C9706-1K9  | MDS 9706 Base Config Chassis FANs 2 Sup-1 3 Fab-1 4 PS AC 3K |                        |
| <b>DS-C9506-CBN</b>             | MDS 9506 Chassis, 6 slots, 7 RU, Installed In The Cabinet    | There is currently no replacement product available for this product. |  |                        |
| <b>DS-C9506-CBT</b>             | MDS 9506 Chassis, 6 slots, 7RU, Installed In The Cabinet     | There is currently no replacement product available for this product. |  |                        |
| <b>DS-C9506-CL=</b>             | MDS 9506 Backplane Clock Module (spare)                      | There is currently no replacement product available for this product. |  |                        |
| <b>DS-C9506-K9</b>              | MDS 9506 Base Config: Chassis, 2 Sups, 2 AC Power Supplies   | DS-C9706  | MDS 9706 Chassis No Power Supplies, Fans Included            |                        |
| <b>DS-C9506=</b>                | MDS 9506 Chassis, Spare, RESTRICTED PRODUCT                  | DS-C9706=   | MDS 9706 Chassis No Power Supplies, Fans Included, spare     |                        |
| <b>DS-CAC-1900W</b>             | 1900W AC Power Supply  | DS-CAC97-3KW  | MDS 9700 3000W AC power supply                               |                        |
| <b>DS-CAC-1900W=</b>            | 1900W AC Power Supply  | DS-CAC97-3KW=   | MDS 9700 3000W AC power supply                               |                        |
| <b>DS-PEM-20A-AC</b>            | Power Entry Module for MDS 9506 (1900W Pwr Sup)              | DS-CAC97-3KW  | MDS 9700 3000W AC power supply                               |                        |
| <b>DS-PEM-20A-AC=</b>           | Power Entry Module for MDS 9506 (1900W Pwr Sup),Spare        | DS-CAC97-3KW=   | MDS 9700 3000W AC power supply                               |                        |

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## Product Migration Options

Customers are encouraged to migrate to the Cisco MDS 9706 Multilayer Director. Information about this product can be found at:

<http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/storage-networking/mds-9706-multilayer-director/index.html>.

Customers may be able to use the Cisco Technology Migration Program (TMP) where applicable to trade-in eligible products and receive credit toward the purchase of new Cisco equipment. For more information about Cisco TMP, customers should work with their Cisco Partner or Cisco account team. Cisco Partners can find additional TMP information on Partner Central at

[http://www.cisco.com/web/partners/incentives\\_and\\_promotions/tmp.html](http://www.cisco.com/web/partners/incentives_and_promotions/tmp.html).

Customers may be able to continue to purchase the Cisco MDS 9506 Multilayer Director through the Cisco Certified Refurbished Equipment program. Refurbished units may be available in limited supply for sale in certain countries on a first-come, first-served basis until the Last Date of Support has been reached. For information about the Cisco Certified Refurbished Equipment program, go to: <http://www.cisco.com/go/eos>.

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

The Cisco Takeback and Recycle program helps businesses dispose properly 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:

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

## For More Information

For more Information about the Cisco MDS 9706 Multilayer Director, visit <http://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/products/storage-networking/mds-9706-multilayer-director/index.html>, or contact your local account representative.

For more information about the Cisco End-of-Life Policy, go to:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/products\\_end-of-life\\_policy.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/products_end-of-life_policy.html)

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