

CHEAT SHEET

Cisco IOS Commands

INTERFACE COMMANDS AND KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS

GENERAL COMMANDS		
Short Command	Complete Command	Function
en	enable	user EXEC > priv. EXEC
conf t	config terminal	priv. EXEC > global config
int	interface	global config > interface config
li	line	global config > line config
sh run	show running-config	shows current config
cop r s	copy running-config startup-config	saves current config
no ip dom lo	no ip domain-lookup	keeps router from trying to read bad cmds as host names

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MODES		
Level	Mode	Prompt
1	User EXEC	Device>
2	Privileged EXEC	Device#
3	Global Config	Device(config)#
4a	Interface Config	Device(config-if)#
4b	Line Config	Device(config-line)

KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS	
Up Arrow	Recalls commands in the history buffer, beginning with the most recent command
Ctrl+Shft+6	Cancels whatever it's currently doing
Ctrl+C	Exit config mode
Ctrl+Z	Return to the EXEC mode from any configuration mode
Ctrl+U	Erases anything on current prompt line
Tab	Completes abbreviated command

“SHOW” COMMANDS	
Command	Information Displayed
show version	IOS version, memory capcity, etc.
show mac address-table	MAC address table
show ip route	routing table
show interface g0/0	status, MAC, IP, etc. for Gigabit Ethernet 0 / 0
show ip interface brief	name, IP, status, etc. (all interfaces)

INITIAL CONFIGURATION (ROUTERS & SWITCHES)		
Command	From Mode	What it Does
hostname xyz	global config	sets hostname to xyz
enable secret xyz	global config	sets encrypted password for priv. EXEC to xyz
service password-encrypt	global config	encrypts all passwords
line console 0	global config	enters line config mode for console
line vty 0 15	global config	enters line config mode for 16 vty lines
password xyz	line config	sets line password to xyz
login	line config	enables users to login
int vlan 1	global config	enters interface config mode for vlan1
ip address [IP] [subnet]	interface config	sets IP address
no shut	interface config	turns on interface
banner motd #Text Here#	global config	sets motd banner

ROUTER-SPECIFIC CONFIGURATION COMMANDS		
Command	From Mode	Function
interface g0/1	global config	enters interface config for GB Ethernet 0/1
ip address <i>IP/prefix</i>	interface config	sets interface's IPv4 address
no shut	interface config	turns on the interface
description <i>description text</i>	interface config	used to document info about the interface
ipv6 address <i>IP/prefix</i>	interface config	sets interface's IPv6 address
ipv6 address <i>IP/prefix</i> link-local	interface config	sets interface's IPv6 link-local address
ipv6 unicast-routing	global config	enables IPv6 routing