

# How to shut down the core switch



## Overview

Use the CLI command request system power-off from operational mode, which displays a message to the CLI, and then disconnect the switch from power unit. Some people use the the reload command first and while the switch is rebooting they turn it off, but that is not really graceful. Reza 06-01-2012 05:47 PM Hello Simon, I agree with. This article explains the procedure that should be followed to correctly shutdown/powerdown a Cisco Nexus 7000 series module and remove it from the chassis. Please select a product to check article relevancy 1. Can also save a copy of config off. Here's the Cisco CLI Switch Command cheat sheet you need for configuring and managing Cisco switches The Cisco Command-Line Interface (CLI) is a core tool used by network administrators to configure and manage Cisco devices such as routers and switches. It provides direct control over network. For your run of the mill managed switches (HPE Aruba 2540 or 5412/5406 etc. ) you'd be hard-pressed to even find a power button or shutdown command. Most/many managed switches boot up, read a config file that is stored on flash, apply that config and then run. Cisco switches are the backbone of countless modern networks, responsible for efficient data forwarding and management. Periodically rebooting these critical devices is essential for maintaining optimal performance, applying configuration changes, and resolving certain software-related issues.

## Article Content

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Do you gracefully turn off your managed switches before power

Most/many managed switches boot up, read a config file that is stored on flash, apply that config and then run from there. There are no databases that need graceful shutdowns for example.

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I was instructed to reboot the switch (Cisco 2960). I immediately came to Spiceworks and found this page. I Putty-ed into the switch and used the commands you mentioned: Router#wr mem ...

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Practically, all I do during our annual shutdown of the DC (four times a year) is to save the config and power down the switches. Because you are relocating the chassis, this throws a different ...

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