



H Commands

This chapter describes the basic Cisco NX-OS system commands that begin with H.

hostname

To configure the hostname for the device, use the **hostname** command. To revert to the default, use the **no** form of this command.

hostname *name*

no hostname

Syntax Description	<i>name</i>
	Name for the device. The name is alphanumeric, case sensitive, can contain special characters, and can have a maximum of 63 characters.

Defaults	switch
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Command Modes	Global configuration mode
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Supported User Roles	network-admin vdc-admin
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Command History	Release	Modification
	7.3(0)N1(1)	This command was modified. The character limit of a hostname is increased from 32 to 63 alphanumeric characters.
	4.0(1)	This command was introduced.

Usage Guidelines The Cisco NX-OS software uses the hostname in command-line interface (CLI) prompts and in default configuration filenames.

The **hostname** command performs the same function as the **switchname** command.

This command does not require a license.

Examples This example shows how to configure the device hostname:

```
switch# configure terminal
switch(config)# hostname Engineering2
Engineering2(config)#
```

This example shows how to revert to the default device hostname:

```
Engineering2# configure terminal
Engineering2(config)# no hostname
switch(config)#
```

Related Commands

Command	Description
<code>show hostname</code>	Displays the device hostname.
<code>switchname</code>	Configures the device hostname.

