



Release Notes for Cisco MGCP IP Phone 7940/7960 Release 4.0

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This document lists the known problems in the Cisco Media Gateway Control Protocol (MGCP) IP Phone 7940/7960 Release 4.0 and contains information about the Cisco MGCP IP Phone 7940/7960 (hereafter referred to as the Cisco MGCP IP phone) that was not included in the most recent release of the phone documentation.

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New and Changed Information

New Software Features in Release 4.0

ISO 8859-1 Latin1 Character Support

The Cisco MGCP IP phone supports the ISO 8859-1 Latin1 character set, which covers most of Western Europe, the entire American continent, Australia, and much of Africa.

Supported Languages

Languages supported as part of the ISO 8859-1 Latin1 character set include French (fr), Spanish (es), Catalan (ca), Basque (eu), Portuguese (pt), Italian (it), Albanian (sq), Rhaeto-Romanic (rm), Dutch (nl), German (de), Danish (da), Swedish (sv), Norwegian (no), Finnish (fi), Faroese (fo), Icelandic (is), Irish (ga), Scottish (gd), English (en), Afrikaans (af), and Swahili (sw).

The lack of the ligatures (Dutch IJ, French OE, and German `` quotation marks) is considered tolerable.

Unsupported Languages

The most notable unsupported languages are Zulu (zu) and other Bantu languages that use Latin Extended-B letters. Also not supported are Arabic in North Africa and Guarani (gn), which are missing GEIUY with tilde (~).

MGCP Support

The phone has the ability to support the ISO 8859-1 Latin1 characters. However, the information key text and the settings menus are all in English. These items are built into the phone image and cannot be changed. Everything else can be translated into the local language.

The customer can use the ISO 8859-1 Latin1 characters in the following five areas:

- **Caller id information**—When an MGCP message is received with ISO 8859-1 Latin1 characters in the caller ID strings, those caller ID strings are displayed on the LCD screen of the phone with the correct ISO 8859-1 Latin1 characters.
- **Services menu applications written in CMXML**—The customer can develop language-specific applications for a particular region. For example, the customer can write an application that displays the current weather in Sweden using Swedish language characters. The Swedish characters would be displayed on the phone. If the customer were to develop the same application for a Spanish town, the application could easily be translated into Spanish.
- **Call control displays (external MGCP XML card deck)**—Since the eXtensible Markup Language (XML) deck used for MGCP call control is downloaded to the phone, the customer can translate those XML cards into the local language. The users can have a totally “domestic” language experience from the phone when they place phone calls or access menus through the “directories” or “services” keys. (Note: The Info key text and the text contained in the “Settings” menu will still be displayed in English.)
- **Line key labels**—Line key labels get set through an MGCP message that sets the label to the string provided. If the string contains ISO 8859-1 Latin1 characters, they are displayed properly.

- **Soft key labels**—Soft key labels get set through XML cards. If the XML cards provide soft keys with ISO 8859-1 Latin1 characters, the soft keys are displayed properly. This includes call control cards and services applications.

ARP Changes

Changes to the application allow the Cisco MGCP IP phone to receive broadcast Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) updates. Previously, this was unavailable. When a hot standby proxy system is used, the phone can receive unsolicited updates from the backup proxy, such as when the backup proxy tells all devices to use its IP address when the primary proxy fails. Previously, the phone would ignore such messages and continue to use the MAC address for the primary proxy.

DNS/TFTP Server in Configuration Files

This feature allows the Service provider to specify a DNS server and/or a TFTP server in the configuration files (either the default configuration file or the <mac-addr> configuration file). The phone will go to the default TFTP server to get the default and mac-addr configuration files. Then it will parse them completely. When it is done, it will look to see if a new DNS server or TFTP server was specified in those files. If a new DNS server was specified, it will be used for any further DNS requests. If a TFTP server was specified, the phone will re-request the default and mac-addr configuration files from the new TFTP server.

HTTP Proxy Support

This feature allows requests for Call Manager eXtensible Markup Language (XML) services to be routed through an HTTP proxy.

i Button Support

Currently, the *i* button serves no purpose as a help menu on the MGCP version of the Cisco MGCP IP phone. Support has been added to enable the *i* button to display a descriptor of the key pressed in a direct sequence after pressing the *i* button.

Example: <i> then <up/down toggle> displays the following screen:

“I - Information - To scroll up on the LCD press the scroll up button. A small arrow displays when there is text for you to scroll through.”

Remote Reset

Facilities are required to allow a service provider to reset a phone from a remote site. This feature provides a key tool for restarting the phone's registration process with the provider's call agent or proxy and also for receiving a new or updated configuration or firmware load from a designated TFTP server. It is not intended to be available to the end user. Moreover, this feature must not be permitted to interrupt or drop any user calls that are already in place on the phone.

XML Support

Support for eXtensible Markup Language (XML) has been added in Cisco IP Phone 7940/7960 Release 4.0 as described in the following sections. For more information, refer to the “[Product Overview](#)” section of [Cisco MGCP IP Phone Reference Guide Version 4.0](#) for more information.

BTXML Support

Basic Telephony eXtensible Markup Language is supported on the Cisco MGCP IP phone. BTXML defines XML elements for controlling the user interface of an IP telephone. BTXML describes what information is displayed on the screen and how the user provides input using soft keys and hard keys.

Cisco CallManager XML Support

The Cisco MGCP IP phone supports customer-written Cisco CallManager XML cards that can be accessed using buttons or soft keys on the phone. These cards can provide data such as stock quotes, calendars, and directory lookups.

Installation Notes

For Cisco MGCP IP phones, follow the instructions in the “Performing an Image Upgrade and Remote Reboot” section at the following URL:

http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/voice/c_ipphon/mgcpphone/mgcpconf12/mgcpconf.htm

For these instructions, use P0M3-04-0-00 as the image name for Release 4.0.

Caveats

Open Caveats—Release 4.0

This section documents possible unexpected behavior by Cisco IP Phone 7940/7960 Release 4.0 and describes only severity 1 and 2 caveats and select severity 3 caveats.

- **CSCdy25289:** 79x0 does not support UDP fragmentation
Problem Description: Phone does not support User Datagram Protocol (UDP) fragmentation. Packets get dropped.
Recommended Action: Make sure that any packets the phone receives are less than 1300 bytes in length.
- **CSCdy39019:** Headset w/ Cisco phone causes humming sound
Problem Description: When using a headset that is on the preferred headset list, the Cisco phone has a background noise. This noise is especially evident when calls are made to a PBX phone. When VAD is enabled the background noise is worse. The background noise is described as a humming sound.
Recommended Action: None

Resolved Caveats—Release 4.0

All the caveats listed in this section are resolved in Cisco IP Phone 7940/7960 Release 4.0. This section describes only severity 1 and 2 caveats and select severity 3 caveats.

- **CSCdv90788**: MWI/Ringer lamp lights briefly when answering call waiting call.
- **CSCdw40309**: Multiple hookflashes cause speaker pops.
- **CSCdu02920**: Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) cache does not update correctly.

Related Documentation

- *Cisco MGCP IP Phone Reference Guide, Version 4.0*
- *Cisco IP Phone 7960 and 7940 Series at a Glance*
- *Regulatory Compliance and Safety Information for the Cisco IP Phone 7960, 7940, and 7910 Series*
- *Installing the Wall Mount Kit for the Cisco IP Phone*

Obtaining Documentation

These sections explain how to obtain documentation from Cisco Systems.

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You can access the most current Cisco documentation on the World Wide Web at this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com>

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Cisco TAC inquiries are categorized according to the urgency of the issue:

- Priority level 4 (P4)—You need information or assistance concerning Cisco product capabilities, product installation, or basic product configuration.
- Priority level 3 (P3)—Your network performance is degraded. Network functionality is noticeably impaired, but most business operations continue.
- Priority level 2 (P2)—Your production network is severely degraded, affecting significant aspects of business operations. No workaround is available.
- Priority level 1 (P1)—Your production network is down, and a critical impact to business operations will occur if service is not restored quickly. No workaround is available.

The Cisco TAC resource that you choose is based on the priority of the problem and the conditions of service contracts, when applicable.

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<http://www.cisco.com/tac>

All customers, partners, and resellers who have a valid Cisco service contract have complete access to the technical support resources on the Cisco TAC Web Site. The Cisco TAC Web Site requires a Cisco.com login ID and password. If you have a valid service contract but do not have a login ID or password, go to this URL to register:

<http://www.cisco.com/register/>

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If you have Internet access, we recommend that you open P3 and P4 cases through the Cisco TAC Web Site.

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