



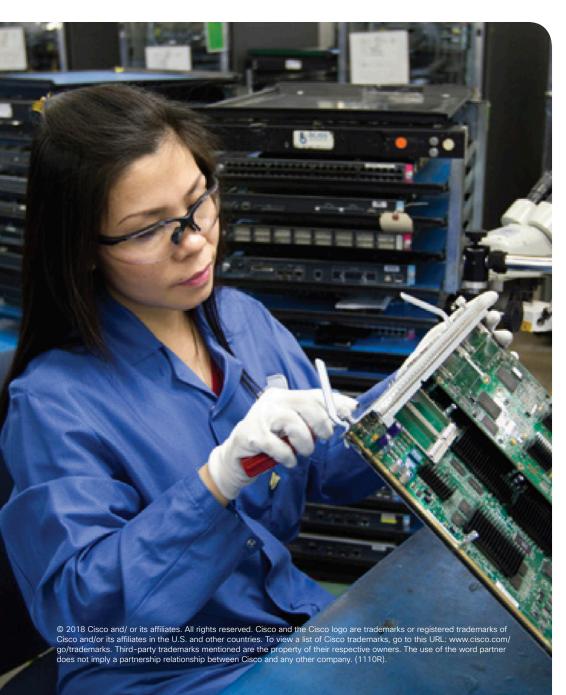
Pricing pressures are real, but buying technology at very low prices comes at an exponential risk for you and your business. Products may be counterfeit or stolen and may NOT be eligible for Cisco license, warranty or support. It's just not worth it. Get the facts and protect your network and business.

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Top Risks of Buying from a Non-authorized Reseller

- Cisco cannot guarantee the quality and performance of unauthorized Cisco products.
- ✓ You may be supplied with a counterfeit Cisco product. Counterfeit products are not only illegal but they also may cause serious damage to your and/your customers' company network.
- ✓ You may not be automatically eligible for Cisco support.
- ✓ You may not have a valid software license or a full Cisco warranty.

Counterfeit Products and Third Party Components

- ✓ Counterfeit products can be hardware, software, or documentation where Cisco's logo and/or other intellectual property have been used without Cisco's consent.
- Counterfeit products often contain components that have been tampered with and illegal software.
- ✓ The purchase of counterfeit products breaches Cisco intellectual property rights and is therefore illegal.

✓ Third-party components are typically memory, cables, or gigabit interface converters manufactured by a company other than Cisco and without Cisco's consent.

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