

CLI DHCP Commands

Configuring a Router to be a DHCP server

Task	IOS Command
To exclude an address or address range	R1(config)# ip excluded-address <i>low-address [high address]</i>
Give the address pool a name	R1(config)# ip dhcp pool <i>pool-name</i>
Define the address pool	R1(dhcp-config)# network <i>network-ip-number [mask or prefix length]</i>
Define the default router or gateway	R1(dhcp-config)# default-router <i>address</i>
Define a DNS server	R1(dhcp-config)# dns-server <i>address</i>
Define the domain name	R1(dhcp-config)# domain-name <i>domain</i>
Define the duration of the DHCP lease	R1(dhcp-config)# lease <i>{days[hours[minutes]] or infinite}</i>
Define the NetBIOS WINS server	R1(dhcp-config)# netbios-name-server <i>address</i>

Example

R1(config)# ip dhcp excluded-address 192.168.10.1 192.168.10.9

R1(config)# ip dhcp excluded-address 192.168.10.254

R1(config)# ip dhcp pool LAN-POOL-1

R1(dhcp-config)# network 192.168.10.0 255.255.255.0

R1(dhcp-config)# default-router 192.168.10.1

R1(dhcp-config)# dns-server 192.168.11.5

R1(dhcp-config)# domain-name example.com

DHCP Verification

Task	IOS Command
Display the DHCPv4 commands configured on the router	R1# show running-config section dhcp
Display a list of all the IPv4 address to MAC address bindings provided by the DHCPv4 service	R1# show ip dhcp binding
Display information regarding the number of DHCPv4 messages that have been sent and received	R1# show ip dhcp server statistics

Router as a DHCP relay

This allows a router to forward DHCPv4 messages to a dedicated DHCPv4 server that is on a different network to a requesting PC. This command is applied to the interface that the PC is on. The router will then forward any DHCP messages to the IP Address of the server. In the example below the server address is 192.168.11.6

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R1(config)# interface g0/0/0
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R1(config-if)# ip helper-address 192.168.11.6
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R1(config-if)#end
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