

SYSLOG

To keep logs of various events happened on the device, messages can be displayed in CLI, saved in device's RAM or sent to an external syslog server.

Message format: seq;time stamp: %facility – severity – MNEMONIC:description.

Seq → a sequence number indicating the order/sequence of messages, may not be displayed depending on config.

Timestamp: indicating the time the message was generated, may not be displayed depending on config.

Facility: a value indicates which process on the device generated the message.

Severity: a number indicating the severity of logged event.

MNEMONIC: a short code for the message indicating what happened.

Description: detailed information about the event being reported.

There are 8 severity levels: 0 → Emergency: system is unusable. 1 → Alert: actions must be taken immediately.

2- Critical: Critical conditions. 3- Error: Error conditions. 4- Warning: Warning conditions.

5- Notice: Normal but significant conditions. 6- Informational: informational messages. 7- Debugging: Debug-level messages.

Syslog messages can be displayed in: 1- CLI when connected to the device via console port.

2- VTY lines: displayed in CLI connected to device via SSH/Telnet (disabled by default).

3- Buffer: by default all syslog messages are displayed use **Command: show logging** to display messages in the buffer.

4- External Server: the device can be configured to send syslog messages to an external server via UDP port 514.

Command: logging console <level num |name>. For console line logging.

Command: logging monitor <level num|name> for vty lines logging. Must be used with **command: terminal monitor** in priv mode every time a device is connected via telnet or SSH.

Command: logging buffered <size in bytes optional> < level num/name> for buffer logging.

Command: logging <host optional> <ip> for external server logging.

Command: logging trap <level num/name> for setting logging level for external server.

Command: line console 0 followed by **logging synchronous** will cause a new line to be printed if interrupted by a message.

Command: service sequence-numbers to enable sequence numbers.

Command: service timestamps log datetime/uploadtime to enable timestamps.

Datetime: displays when the event occurred. Uptime:displays how long the device had been running when the event occurred.