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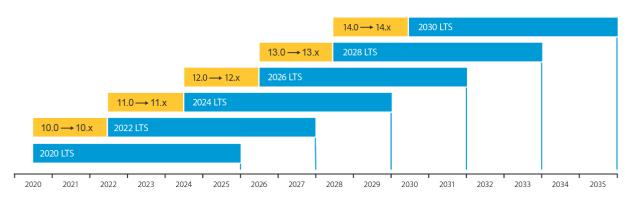
### About

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AXIS OS is our operating system for edge devices. It's used in more than 300 products with the broadest partner application reach in the security industry. It's a Linux-based OS that's built around openness, transparency and cybersecurity.

AXIS OS features different tracks depending on your needs. The **long-term support (LTS) tracks** maximize stability and focus on keeping a well-integrated 3rd party system by providing bug fixes and security patches. The **active track** on the other hand provides access to the newest state-of-the-art features and functionalities as well as bug fixes and security patches, which defines the active track as the software-development-focused track.

### AXIS OS support overview



The active track releases a new version every 2–3 months where only the latest version is supported. The LTS tracks are created every two years and are supported and maintained for about 5 years.

## Release schedule

## Release schedule

In the schedule below you can find information about upcoming releases on the active track and the LTS tracks.

Version	Track	Preliminary release date	Planned features and updates
12.1	Active	November 2024	<ul><li>See for more information.</li><li>Highlights:</li></ul>
11.11	LTS 2024	October 2024	<ul> <li>OpenSSL 3.0.15</li> <li>OpenSSL 1.1.1za</li> <li>cURL 8.10.1</li> </ul>
10.12	LTS 2022	October 2024	OpenSSL 1.1.1za
9.80	LTS 2020	November 2024	<ul><li>OpenSSL 1.1.1za</li><li>cURL 8.10.1</li></ul>

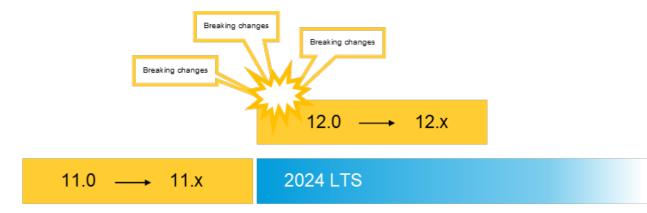
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## **Breaking changes**

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AXIS OS 11 active track will transition to LTS 2024 in Q3 2024. The new active track will be AXIS OS 12, which the announced breaking changes will be implemented. The majority of the breaking changes will be introduced at the start of the new active track and the remaining break changes will be introduced during the lifetime of AXIS OS 12 and will be communicated in advance.

Please note that some changes are already taking place in AXIS OS 11, but with limited impact. The changed default behavior in AXIS OS 11 will affect the product after a factory reset, as well as new products launched with that specific version, but will not affect an upgrade, i.e. if you upgrade AXIS OS without a factory reset, your products will not change their behavior.



A breaking change is an intentional modification which will break backwards compatibility. While Axis consistently strives to maintain backward compatibility, introducing breaking changes is sometimes necessary to:

- Improve cybersecurity: Axis may remove obsolete features or modify existing features to enhance security.
- Update functionality and improve usability: Axis enhances existing functionality by implementing new default settings or introducing more advanced features to expand use cases.

In both scenarios, Axis provides an alternative method for accomplishing the same tasks and communicates these changes in advance. Furthermore, *the active track is the only place where these changes can be made, as maintaining compatibility is the primary focus of LTS tracks.* These changes are usually implemented after a new LTS track has been established, giving users sufficient time to adapt while maintaining security measures.

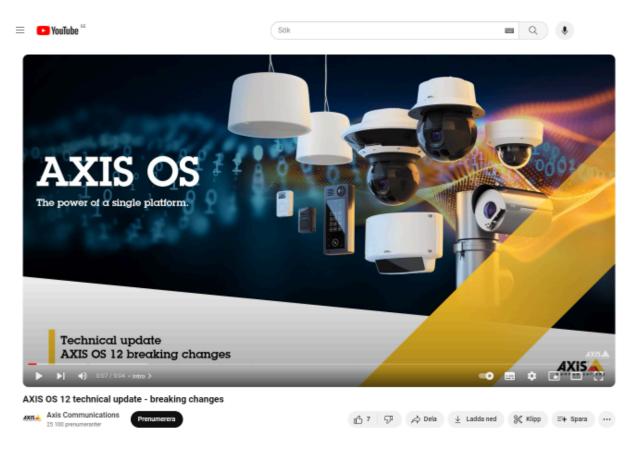
### Note

If you experience issues after upgrading to AXIS OS 12, utilize the rollback option to let the device revert back to its previous AXIS OS version. See guidelines *here*. We recommend that you keep at least one device running AXIS OS 12, generate a server report and contact Axis Technical Support for troubleshooting assistance or guidance.

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### Planned

Changes in AXIS OS 12.0



Check out the AXIS OS 12 Technical Update - Breaking Changes video, to learn more about the upcoming changes.

### • <u>Removal of the old web interface</u>

The old web interface, also called "AXIS OS web version B", will be removed.

Why is this change introduced? The old web interface is no longer needed since the *new interface* has all implemented features. It is removed to save memory space on the device and to simplify both usage and maintenance. Additionally, the old web interface used a number of outdated libraries and removing it will make the device more secure. How can it affect me? The new web interface will be displayed after upgrade.

### Security:

### • Disabled HTTP Port 80 redirects

In previous security penetration tests, Axis was advised to disable HTTP Port 80 redirects in order to enhance security and to prevent information leakage. Currently, Axis devices are configured for HTTPS-only, but the HTTP port 80 redirects are

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enabled to inform users/clients that communication is not permitted on port 80 and redirecting them automatically to port 443 instead. Axis will follow the general recommendation provided by third-party penetration test laboratories and will deactivate HTTP port 80 redirects when the device is set to HTTPS-only mode.

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To test the possible impact, configure your Axis device for HTTPS only and configure a firewall rule in AXIS OS 11.9 as shown below, where the Axis device would effectively block communication on port 80 for a specific client trying to connect.

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Why is this change introduced? To lower the attack surface of the device and increase the overall device security. How can it affect me? If you access the Axis device via HTTP, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher. Please use HTTPS instead.

Removed support for TLS 1.0/1.1 HTTPS connections

Axis devices support modern encryption technology through TLS 1.2/1.3, which is used by default for HTTPS connections. However, there is also an option to enable older, outdated and insecure TLS 1.0/1.1 versions for backward compatibility with legacy systems that cannot support more secure HTTPS connections. Axis will completely remove TLS 1.0/1.1 versions for HTTPS connections to increase overall security and prevent users from accidentally enabling these protocol versions.

VAPIX API Parameter: root.HTTPS.AllowTLS1 and root.HTTPS.AllowTLS11

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A Plain config is for expert users only. Only change the s	ettings if you know what you're doing.
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	Private key password

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using TLS 1.0/1.1 HTTPS connections, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

Removed support for OpenSSL 1.1.1

Since AXIS OS 11.6 (August 2023), Axis devices support simultaneously version 1.1.1 and 3.0 of the cryptographic software backend OpenSSL. To allow for smooth transition, OpenSSL 1.1.1 will still be supported until LTS 2024 track is launched and in that track. With AXIS OS 12, OpenSSL 1.1.1 support will be removed. Patches and security updates of OpenSSL 1.1.1 will still be supported on active AXIS OS long-term support tracks as Axis has signed a support contract with the OpenSSL foundation to receive prolonged support.

Note that upcoming changes may affect ACAPs. To ensure compatibility and security, it is recommended to use *OpenSSL 3.X*, which is available in ACAP Native SDK 1.14 / AXIS OS 11.10. Alternatively, ACAPs can *embed a custom cryptographic library* to meet their specific needs.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete as the active track runs a newer version. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using OpenSSL 1.1.1, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

#### Network & Discovery:

#### IPv4 address changes

To date, Axis devices have never been IPv4 compliant following the corresponding RFC framework. That resulted in the Axis device having a default IP-address which is 192.168.0.90/24. This circumstance leads to network related issues that we

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want to resolve. For instance, if no DHCP server is available on the network, the default IP address of Axis devices currently is 192.168.0.90/24 regardless of whether anyone on the same network segment already uses the same IP address. This may cause service interruptions for other devices if such IP address conflict occurs. At the same time, the link-local address (169.254.x.x/16) is enabled by default regardless of whether it's used, which is not in compliance with the RFC standard.

With the above changes in place, there will be no default IP addresses of AXIS OS devices anymore. The Axis OS devices will use the IP addresses either from a DHCP server or statically configured address. The devices will only fall back to link-local addresses if there is an IP address conflict detected, or a DHCP server is unavailable in the network. More information regarding the IPv4 addressing change can be found *here*.

#### Why is this change introduced?

- To be completely RFC IPv4 compliant.
- Disable link-local address when it is not used.
- Better user experience for our customers when multiple factory-defaulted Axis devices are placed on the same network simultaneously.
- Increase robustness and detect IP address conflicts.
- How can it affect me? Affects during installation, AXIS devices will request IP adress from the network it attaches to etc DHCP.

### Disabled WS-Discovery protocol

Axis devices currently have the WS-Discovery (WebService-Discovery) protocol enabled in factory defaulted state as additional option for ONVIF-related device discovery. However, the ONVIF interface is not enabled in factory defaulted state which makes the availability of the WS-Discovery protocol by default obsolete. Axis will adapt the default behavior and will disable the WS-discovery protocol in factory defaulted state. This means a user need to enable the WS-discovery protocol if desired.

VAPIX API parameter: WebService.DiscoveryMode.Discoverable

Network discovery protocols	
Bonjour® 🦲 🛈	UPnP® 🕖 🛈
Bonjour name	UPnP name
AXIS P3265-LV	AXIS P3265-LV - B8A44F281DB4
WS-Discovery 🔘 🛈	

Save

Why is this change introduced? To lower the network footprint and increase the cybersecurity level of an Axis device when ONVIF is not being used.

How can it affect me? You will not be able to discover the device until WS-Discovery has been enabled.

 <u>Possibility to disable Basic Device Info VAPIX API</u> The Basic Device Information VAPIX API allows to retrieve general information about the Axis product with no

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authentication. This is useful for device discovery and profiling during network and application onboarding. Axis will implement an additional VAPIX parameter that will allow the user to disable the basic device information API if needed. The ability for the user to disable this VAPIX API may be considered a behavioral change if unknown.

Why is this change introduced? Provide the ability to reduce the attack surface and information leakage of the device, increasing the overall security resilience of the network. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API after onboarding, it will not work correctly with

How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API after onboarding, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

### <u>Removal of releaseinfo.cgi</u>

The *axis-release/releaseinfo.cgi* VAPIX API has been removed. It is recommended to use the Basic Device Information VAPIX API instead, see more info in the VAPIX Library.

Example output of axis-release/releaseinfo.cgi:

part=6975649029
version:11.2.53

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete and replaced by a different API. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

### Removal of getBrand.cgi

The previously deprecated VAPIX API axis-cgi/prod\_brand\_info/getbrand.cgi has been removed. It is recommended to use the Basic Device Information VAPIX API instead, see more info in the VAPIX Library. Please find below an example output of the information that was possible to receive through getBrand.cgi, all the information is still available and covered in the referenced Basic Device Information VAPIX API.

#### Example output of getBrand.cgi:

Brand.Brand=AXIS Brand.ProdFullName=AXIS P3265-LV Dome Camera Brand.ProdNbr=P3265-LV Brand.ProdShortName=AXIS P3265-LV Brand.ProdType=Dome Camera Brand.ProdVariant= Brand.WebURL=http://www.axis.com

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete and replaced by a different API. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

• Removal of network filter API

The current IP-filtering VAPIX API will be replaced by a more feature-rich firewall application that can be configured through JSON REST API. The new firewall service will be available in AXIS OS 11.8 (January 2024) and can be used from there on.

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IP address filter		
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The legacy network filter API with the following below para	meters will be removed in AXIS OS 12:	
Network.Filter.Enabled		
Network.Filter.Input.AcceptAddresses		
Network.Filter.Input.Policy		
Network.Filter.Log.Enabled		

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete and replaced by the new host-based firewall. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

### Edge Storage:

### • Removed support for SMB 1.0 and 2.0

The Server Message Block Protocol (SMB) is widely used for mounting network shares when storing recordings. While secure versions of the SMB protocol are supported and available in Axis devices (2.1, 3.0, 3.02 and 3.1.1), the insecure versions (1.0 and 2.0) are still available to use but disabled in factory defaulted state. Axis will remove version 1.0 and 2.0 completely to increase the overall security and to prevent users from enabling these protocol versions by mistake.

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### Add network storage

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Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have a storage connection requiring these versions, they will not work anymore.

#### ACAP related changes:

### <u>Removal of root-privileges</u>

Root-privileged access to Axis products and ACAP applications has been removed indefinitely without the possibility to enable it. The previously available parameter in AXIS OS 11 to enable root privileges has been removed. This change applies to the factory default settings as well as when upgrading to AXIS OS 12 from any previous version of AXIS OS.

This change increases ACAP confidentiality by better protecting their data and secrets, preventing information leakage and increasing AXIS OS system integrity. Please read the *full guide* for more information.

Why is this change introduced? To increase the security on the device. How can it affect me? ACAPs that do not use root-privileges are not affected. ACAPs with root privileges, will not work with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher. Check the installed ACAP applications carefully! Make sure they are working properly. If possible, select the LTS 2024 track.

#### Possible scenarios where failures could be expected are:

The ACAP cannot run because it tries to use the previously available root user with root privileges.

The post-install script may be using root-privileges, which prevents the ACAP from being installed or run.

The pre-uninstall script may be using root-privileges, which may prevent ACAP data from being cleaned up at installation. The ACAP tries to access file system resources or functionality that is locked behind root-privileges.

The ACAP applications that include or need access to security-sensitive functionality will not work anymore. For example, VPN-capable solutions based on Tailscale, ZeroTier, IPsec, OpenVPN and WireGuard that may have been deployed as an

### **Breaking changes**

ACAP previously, will not work in AXIS OS 12. Axis is looking into how and if a VPN-client can be embedded into the AXIS OS operating system natively.

#### Signed ACAP applications

From AXIS OS 12.0, the option to allow unsigned apps will be disabled in factory defaulted state. To upload unsigned ACAPs, users must enable this option. This only applies to factory-defaulted products running AXIS OS 12 or higher.



+ Add app Find more apps Allow unsigned apps	
AXIS Video Motion Detection     Version: 4.5-8     Axis Communications	Open
AXIS Object Analytics     Version: 1.13.11     Axis Communications	Open

### VAPIX API parameters:

/axis-cgi/applications/config.cgi?action=set&name=AllowUnsigned&value=true /axis-cgi/applications/config.cgi?action=set&name=AllowUnsigned&value=false

Running unsigned ACAPs from any previous version of AXIS OS when upgrading to AXIS OS 12 will have no impact and the ACAP will continue to function normally. For more information and a timeline, see Additional security in AXIS OS and ACAP applications.

Why is this change introduced? To lower the attack surface of the device and increase the overall device security. How can it affect me? For factory default devices, you will need to enable Allow unsigned apps.

ACAP installation behaviour

The ACAP installation is now aborted if the post-install script exit on EX\_NOPERM (77). Previously, the ACAP is installed nevertheless and warnings were printed in the log files. Uninstall will happen regardless of pre-uninstall script error and will write the error code to the log.

Why is this change introduced? To increase the ACAPS reliability on the market. How can it affect me? ACAP vendors are informed and should compile a new ACAP version without errors if affected.

#### • Removal of Basic analytics ACAP applications

Due to updates to our framework, it is not possible to support some older types of ACAP applications and they will therefore be removed.

This applies to Axis Basic Enter-Exit, Axis Basic Object Counter and Axis Basic Object Removed

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Why is this change introduced? Due to architectural changes. How can it affect me? If you are using any of these ACAPs, do not upgrade until the system has a verified replacer.

### • Removal of libcapture library

The libcapture library for ACAPs is obsolete and will be removed. It is recommended to use the Video capture API instead. For more information, visit the ACAP SDK Documentation.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have an ACAP using this library, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

• Removal of vaconfig.cgi

The ACAP applications managed by the vaconfig.cgi API is no longer supported, this configuration and management API is therefore obsolete and will be removed.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have an ACAP using this library, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

### Removal of ACAP Computer Vision SDK support

The ability to enable ACAP Computer Vision SDK support will be removed for the listed products because they only have 1 GB of memory.

Applies to: AXIS D2210-VE, AXIS M3215-LVE, AXIS M3216-LVE, AXIS M5526-E, AXIS P1465-LE, AXIS P1465-LE-3, AXIS P3265-LV/-LVE/-V and AXIS P3265-LVE-3

Why is this change introduced? Running the Computer Vision SDK on the product will consume too much memory and may render the product inoperable.

How can it affect me? If you have an ACAP using the Computer Vision SDK, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

• File execution on edge storage

In AXIS OS 12, to allow ACAPs to execute files or binaries from edge storage (such as an SD card or network share), the user must explicitly configure the Axis device. This can be achieved by setting up the Extra Mount Options in Plain Config, as described below.

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As a result of this change, in the factory default state of AXIS OS 12, file execution from edge storage is disabled and must be explicitly configured.

Why is this change introduced? To increase the security on the device. How can it affect me? ACAPs requiring file execution on edge storage may not function properly if the device is not configured accordingly.

### API changes:

### • Rate Control changes for RTSP

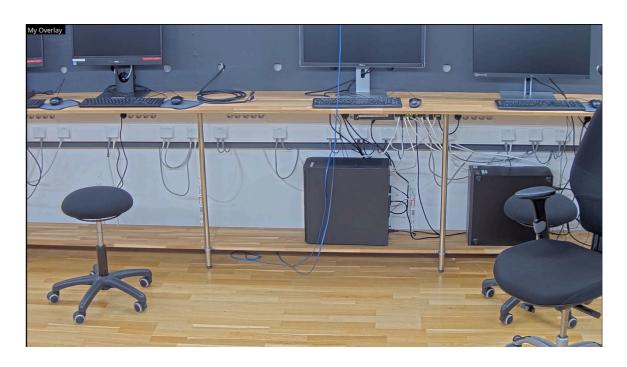
As the VAPIX Rate Control API has evolved over the years, the relationship between some of the URL options and *param.cgi* parameters has become complicated. This will be simplified in upcoming versions of Axis OS. This was communicated earlier *here*.

Why is this change introduced? To simplify the Rate control API. How can it affect me? The new API is supported by the product when Properties.Image.RateControl.Version is 2.0 and higher. videobitrate and Image.I#.RateControl.TargetBitrate are deprecated from now No changes are made when it comes to Average Bitrate (ABR).

### <u>Remove Legacy Overlays</u>

The possibility to create overlays via the parameter CGI will be completely deprecated. This was communicated earlier *here*. An example of the old overlay is provided below.

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Why is this change introduced? Overlays have their own API, dynamicoverlay CGI, with direct access to the overlay system. There for should this old way be deprecated. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

### Added path restrictions for dynamicoverlay.cgi

The *Dynamic Overlay* VAPIX API that allows to configure the path to the overlay image to display has been limited to /etc/overlays/. It is not possible anymore to alter the path through VAPIX API.

Why is this change introduced? Supporting to alter the path trough API is not best practice and keeping it might be a security threat.

How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

Changes in dynamicoverlay.cgi

Optional values, "source" and "sensor" will be removed from the Dynamic Overlayin AXIS OS 12.

Why is this change introduced? The options are obsolete and no longer used and should therefore be removed to follow best practice.

How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

New version of privacymask.cgi.

Unused functionality or parameters have been removed, while those utilized in the previous version have been preserved.

The following will be removed in privacymask.cgi: preview\_on preview\_off query list query position ptpolygon imagerotation

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imageresolution zoomlowlimit

The following will be removed in param.cgi: parameter Image.I[source].Overlay.MaskWindows.PtPolygon

Why is this change introduced? Supporting capabilities that are not used is not best practice and keeping them might be a security threat.

How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

#### Removal of "ClassCandidate" from Analytics Scene description for ONVIF

In the analytics scene description, both "tt:ClassDescriptor/tt:ClassCandidate" and "tt:ClassDescriptor/tt:Type" are used today for backward comparability, but they say the same information. ONVIF recommends the use of "tt:ClassDescriptor/tt:Type", see *metadatastream.xsd*—

AXIS OS 11.11 and lower

```
<tt:Object ObjectId="101">
    <tt:Appearance>
      <tt:Shape>
        <tt:BoundingBox left="-0.6" top="0.6" right="-0.2" bottom="0.2"/>
        <tt:CenterOfGravity x="-0.4" y="0.4"/>
        <tt:Polygon>
          <tt:Point x="-0.6" y="0.6"/>
          <tt:Point x="-0.6" y="0.2"/>
          <tt:Point x="-0.2" y="0.2"/>
          <tt:Point x="-0.2" y="0.6"/>
        </tt:Polygon>
      </tt:Shape>
      <tt:Class>
        <tt:ClassCandidate>
          <tt:Type>Vehical</tt:Type>
          <tt:Likelihood>0.75</tt:Likelihood>
        </tt:ClassCandidate>
        <tt:Type Likelihood="0.75">Vehicle</tt:Type>
      </tt:Class>
      <tt:VehicleInfo>
        <tt:Type Likelihood="0.75">Bus</tt:Type>
      </tt:VehicleInfo>
    </tt:Appearance>
  </tt:Object>
```

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AXIS OS 12.0 and higher

```
<tt:Object ObjectId="101">
    <tt:Appearance>
      <tt:Shape>
        <tt:BoundingBox left="-0.6" top="0.6" right="-0.2" bottom="0.2"/>
       <tt:CenterOfGravity x="-0.4" y="0.4"/>
       <tt:Polygon>
          <tt:Point x="-0.6" y="0.6"/>
          <tt:Point x="-0.6" y="0.2"/>
          <tt:Point x="-0.2" y="0.2"/>
          <tt:Point x="-0.2" y="0.6"/>
        </tt:Polygon>
      </tt:Shape>
      <tt:Class>
        <tt:Type Likelihood="0.75">Vehicle</tt:Type>
      </tt:Class>
      <tt:VehicleInfo>
        <tt:Type Likelihood="0.75">Bus</tt:Type>
      </tt:VehicleInfo>
    </tt:Appearance>
  </tt:Object>
```

Why is this change introduced? Axis should be in compliant with ONVIF. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

• Updating terminology from "Vehical" to "Vehicle" for ONVIF

Due to an error in the ONVIF Metadata Spec, "Vehicle" has been incorrectly represented as "Vehical", in the Analytics Scene description. As of AXIS OS 12, the correct term "vehicle" will be used instead. See code example at *Changes in the analytics metadata stream in AXIS OS 12.0.* 

Why is this change introduced? Axis should be in compliant with ONVIF. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

Updating terminology from "Bicycle" to "Bike" in VehicleType for ONVIE

Currently in the Analytics Scene description, the term "Bicycle" is used to describe both a bicycle and a motorcycle within the context of "VehicleType". As of AXIS OS 12.0, "Bike" will be used instead of "Bicycle" to describe both bicycles and motorcycles according to the ONVIF Standard, and it will be represented as an "ObjectType". See code example at *Changes in the analytics metadata stream in AXIS OS 12.0*.

Why is this change introduced? Axis should be in compliant with ONVIF. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

Removal of the lightcontrol web service API

The lightcontrol web service API (implemented in ws/wsd/impl/ali) has been deprecated for many years and is replaced by the lightcontrol-cgi JSON API. Information about this change has been sent out previously to partners.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

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### Product specific:

### • Remove support for AXIS T6101/T6112

Support for AXIS T6101 and AXIS T6112 will be removed. Read more about compatible products on axis.com

Why is this change introduced? AXIS T6101 and AXIS T6112 are discontinued. How can it affect me? AXIS T6101 and AXIS T6112 does not work with Axis devices running AXIS OS 12.0 or higher. Please use AXIS OS LTS 2024 instead.

### Changes in AXIS OS 12.1

### Edge Storage:

Removal of vFAT

The ability to format SD cards to the vFAT system file will be removed. However, they can still be used as before. A long time ago, SD cards were delivered with vFAT as the standard file system for cards up to 32GB. Since such SD cards are no longer used, the usefulness of vFAT is very limited.

Why is this change introduced? Axis has since start recommended Ext 4. vFat should never be used. How can it affect me?lf necessary, you will need to format the SD card outside the device.

Onboard storage						
🎬 SD card 1 (55.2 GB) 🛛		-				
Free: 100% Status: Mounted File system: ext4 Encrypted: No Wear: 4%	Retention time As long as possib Number of days			[17000]		
	Tools		Repair			
Safely remove the storage device:	<ul> <li>Format</li> </ul>		O Encrypt			
Autoformat 🕥 🛈	Format storage	e device				
Write protect () ()	Erase all recordings and format the storage device. File system					
	O ext4 (recommende	ed)				
	🦲 vfat					
	Car	ncel F	Format			

### Network & Discovery:

• Disabled UPnP discovery protocol

Axis devices currently have UPnP and Bonjour enabled in factory defaulted state for general device discovery. The Bonjour protocol allows for device detection within the local subnet where the device is located (example: 192.168.1.0/24). The UPnP protocol allows device discovery across networks (example: 192.168.1.0/24 and 192.168.2.0/24) but only if

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multicast-routing is properly configured. Axis believes that the device detection within the local subnet is the main use case for a discovery protocol and therefore will disable UPnP in factory defaulted devices moving forward. This will also lower the attack surface of the device and increase the overall network security. The UPnP protocol remains available in Axis devices with the option for the user to enable it if needed.

### VAPIX API parameter: root.Network.UPnP.Enabled

Network discovery protocols						
Bonjour® 🦲 🛈	UPnP® 🕖 Õ					
Bonjour name	UPnP name					
AXIS P3265-LV	AXIS P3265-LV - B8A44F281DB4					
WS-Discovery 🕖 🛈						

Save

Why is this change introduced? To lower the attack surface of the device and increase the overall device security. How can it affect me? If you have third party software only using UPnP for device discovery, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.1 or higher and users need to enable UPnP first on the Axis device.

#### Security:

### • Basic authentication for HTTPS connections

Axis devices perform digest authentication when serving both HTTP and HTTPS connections. Since HTTPS connections are preferred for increased security, Axis will change the default behavior so that basic authentication is used for HTTPS connections only by introducing a new authentication policy mode called "Recommended". The authentication policy for HTTP & the RTSP server will not change in this mode. More information about the authentication policy can be found in the *VAPIX Library*. Using basic authentication in HTTPS connections is IT-industry standard and allows Axis devices to operate in a well-defined and common practice as well. Digest authentication will still be kept for serving for unencrypted HTTP connections. Using HTTPS only is the recommended operational mode for Axis devices.

Why is this change introduced? To follow the IT-industry standard. How can it affect me? If you use digest authentication for HTTPS connection, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.1 or higher.

### Changes in AXIS OS 13

### Important

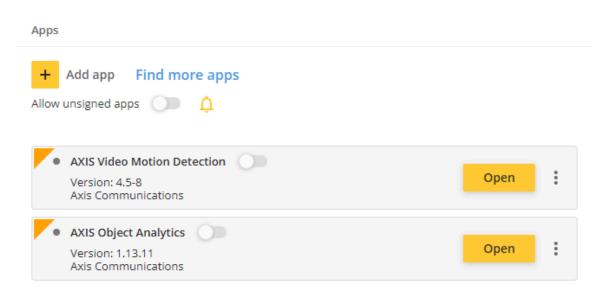
Changes that apply to the first version of AXIS OS 13, coming in September 2026. Please note that the changes can be adjusted in future.

### ACAP related changes:

### • Signed ACAP applications

From AXIS OS 13.0, the option to allow unsigned applications is removed and only signed ACAP applications are allowed.

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VAPIX API parameters that will be removed : /axis-cgi/applications/config.cgi?action=set&name=AllowUnsigned&value=true /axis-cgi/applications/config.cgi?action=set&name=AllowUnsigned&value=false

Running unsigned ACAPs from any previous version of AXIS OS when upgrading to AXIS OS 13 will not be affected and the ACAP will continue to function normally. Only new ACAP installations in AXIS OS 13 are affected.

Why is this change introduced? To increase trust in ACAP applications and comply with international regulations and best practices for secure software delivery.

How can it affect me? New ACAPs to be installed in AXIS OS 13 must be signed, otherwise the ACAP installation will fail.

#### API changes:

#### <u>Removal of unofficial certificate management</u>

The unofficial and externally undocumented custom certificate management API with the VAPIX endpoints /axis-cgi/certappmgmt.cgi and /axis-cgi/certmgmt.cgi will be removed. For supported AXIS OS certificate management and enrollment APIs, please refer to the VAPIX Library.

Why is this change introduced? Unofficial and undocumented APIs shall not be used due to the security risk. Thus, it is removed since there are other VAPIX APIs that can be used instead.

How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 13 or higher.

#### Security:

#### Password complexity enforcement

The user is currently supported with a password strength indicator for selecting secure passwords for service accounts. However, the user might select insecure passwords anyway. It is planned to introduce a password complexity enforcement to enforce using secure-considered passwords when accessing an Axis device.

Afterward, it will not be possible to use insecure password combinations. It is expected that the password complexity enforcement will be standardized and will require a minimum password length of 14 characters including small and big

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letters, special signs and numbers, alternatively small and big letters with a password length of 64-characters. More information to come. The decision on when to introduce password complexity has not been made yet but will be communicated in time.

### Add user

Username		
MyUser		
New password		
		0
Repeat password		
		0
	 0	
Role		
Administrator		•
	Cancel	Save

### Why is this change introduced? To increase the cybersecurity level.

Total Brute Force time in an online password attack without delay protection - 720 requests/sec*			
Number of characters Only lower-case letters Upper- and lower-case letters, and 0 to 9			
4	~11 minutes	~ 6 hours	
5	~ 5 hours	~ 14 days	
8		~ 9615 years	
10		~ 6.3 million years	
14		~ 546.191 billion years	

\*Actual rate may vary and is depending on product performance.

How can it affect me? Will be updated shortly.

### HTTPS-only enforcement

The current default behavior of Axis devices in factory defaulted state is that HTTP and HTTPS are both enabled allowing for a flexible choice on which protocol to use to connect to the Axis device. Axis, since many years, has given the recommendation to configure the Axis device to HTTPS-only during initial configuration according to the AXIS OS Hardening Guide. Please see the current default settings below.

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HTTP and HTTPS	
Allow access through HTTP and HTTPS HTTP port	•
80 HTTPS port	
443 Certificate	
Axis device ID ECC-P256 (	802.1AR)

This default behavior is likely to change in order to increase overall default security and protect communication between the Axis device and the human user as well as applications. Axis has plans to change the default behavior so that HTTP communication will be disabled, and HTTPS-only communication is the only enabled protocol to be used in factory defaulted state.

### HTTP and HTTPS

Allow access through	
HTTPS	Ŧ
HTTPS port	
443	
Certificate	
Axis device ID ECC-P256 (	(802.1AR)

Why is this change introduced? To increase the cybersecurity level. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using HTTP, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 13 or higher.

## Applied

### Changes in AXIS OS 11

Breaking changes done in AXIS OS 11.

Security:

• <u>Remove access via FTP protocol</u>

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Since AXIS OS 11.1, we have removed the possibility to access the device via the FTP protocol, to increase overall minimum cybersecurity level.

For troubleshooting purposes it is recommended to use secure SSH access. Note that upload from the device to an FTP server is still possible. For more information, visit SSH access in the AXIS OS Knowledge base.

Why is this change introduced? To increase overall security. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this feature, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.1 or higher.

Removed support for proxy SOCKS version 4 and 5

Since AXIS OS 11.0, support for proxy SOCKS version 4 and 5 has been removed.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this feature, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.0 or higher.

### • No dedicated root user in factory defaulted state

Since AXIS OS 11.5, no dedicated root user is pre-configured in factory defaulted state. To ease O3C-related integrations and to allow time to adapt, Axis made a modification that currently creates this root user for O3C onboarding/integration. From LTS 2024, O3C integrations shall not rely on the previously available admin user named "root". If a separate (admin) user is deemed necessary for some purpose, this user shall be specifically created during the initial onboarding/integration.

Why is this change introduced? To lower the attack surface of the device and increase the overall device security. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using root as hardcoded username, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.5 or higher unless you create a user root.

### • Root-privilege is disabled in factory defaulted state

Root-privileged access is disabled by default in Axis products and ACAP applications to increase ACAP confidentiality by better protecting their data and secrets, to prevent information leakage and to increase AXIS OS system integrity by removing system-wide root-privileged access for users and applications. In AXIS OS 11, this can still be enabled by parameter if required, see screenshots below for reference:

Apps

+ Add app Find more apps Allow unsigned apps Allow root-privileged apps	
AXIS Video Motion Detection     Version: 4.5-8     Axis Communications	Open
AXIS Object Analytics     Version: 1.13.11     Axis Communications	Open

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SSH accounts	
+ Add SSH account	Restrict root access 🦳 Enable SSH
Account	Comment
root	root

Please read the *full guide* for more information. The changes in AXIS OS 11 are summarized below.

Why is this change introduced? To increase the security on the device. How can it affect me? Affected ACAPs has been communicated about this and should create a new version if they are affected regarding this change.

AXIS OS	Timeline	Changes
11.5	June 2023	<ul> <li>VAPIX/Web Access: The user "root" is an ordinary administrator.</li> <li>ACAP Privileges: Root privileges can be disabled.</li> </ul>
11.6	September 2023	• SSH Access: Root user access can be disabled.
11.8	January 2024	<ul> <li>SSH Access: Root user access is disabled by default but can be enabled.</li> <li>ACAP Privileges: Root privileges is disabled by default but can be enabled.</li> </ul>
11.11	June 2024	<ul> <li>Axis devices only accept installation of signed ACAP applications by default. Devices can be configured to accept unsigned applications</li> </ul>
LTS 2024	H2 2024	<ul> <li>Support: 2024-2029. Can be used as a stop-gap solution until an ACAP application is fully adapted.</li> <li>SSH Access: Root user access is disabled by default but can be enabled.</li> <li>ACAP Privileges: Root privileges is disabled by default but can be enabled.</li> </ul>

VAPIX API changes:

• <u>PTZ VAPIX API version 2</u>

Since AXIS OS 11.0, there is a new version of the PTZ VAPIX API. For more information, visit the VAPIX library.

Removal of date.cgi

Since AXIS OS 11.0, the date.cgi has been removed and replaced by time.cgi. For more information, visit the VAPIX library

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.0 or higher.

• Support removed for BMP format

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Since AXIS OS 11.0, support to request an image in BMP file format has been removed. For more information, visit the VAPIX library.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this feature, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.0 or higher.

#### • Removed support of recording mediaclip through Mediaclip API

Since AXIS OS 11.0, support to record a mediaclip using the Mediaclip API has been removed. For more information, visit the VAPIX library.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this feature, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.0 or higher.

### • Parameters in the root.PTZ parameter group changes

Since AXIS OS 11.0, changed access for a number of parameters in the root.PTZ parameter group. For more information, visit the VAPIX library.

Why is this change introduced? Due to architectural changes. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.0 or higher.

### Removal of edit.cgi

Since AXIS OS 11.1, the edit.cgi has been removed. For more information, visit the VAPIX library.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.1 or higher.

### Removal of libvidcap

The libvidcap has been removed. Use Video capture API instead. For more information, visit the ACAP developer guide

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.1 or higher.

<u>Removal of overlay-cgi.</u>

The overlay-cgi has been removed in AXIS OS 11.10. It is recommended to use overlayimage-cgi instead, see more info in the VAPIX Library.

VAPIX API parameter affected: call\_overlay\_upload.cgi call\_overlay\_del.cgi call\_overlay\_set.cgi create\_overlay.cgi overlay\_list.cgi overlay\_image formats.cgi

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete and replaced by a different API. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this API, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 12.0 or higher.

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### Other changes:

• Removal of the built in motion detection

In AXIS OS 11.2 the old built in motion detection, also known as VMD1, was removed.

Why is this change introduced? It is obsolete, and keeping it might be a security threat. How can it affect me? If you have third party software using this application, it will not work correctly with AXIS OS 11.2 or higher.

• Removed installable decoder AAC

Since AXIS OS 11.0, the installable audio decoder for AAC has been removed and is no longer downloadable from the cameras web interface.

• Removed installable decoder H.264

Since AXIS OS 11.0, the installable decoder for H.264 has been removed and is no longer downloadable from the cameras web interface.

## Additional information

## Additional information

In this section you can read about updates and features in upcoming AXIS OS releases. For more information about:

- Previous releases, visit AXIS OS Release Notes.
- Developer News articles, visit Developer Community.

## Next AXIS OS version

Please note that this schedule is preliminary and that both time schedule and included features are subject to change as work progresses.

### AXIS OS 12.1

Scheduled for: November 2024

- Features for all products
  - Added a new recommended default authentication mode for the root.Network.HTTP.AuthenticationPolicy parameter which enables basic authentication for HTTPS connections to follow the IT-industry standard. Digest authentication is possible to enable for unencrypted HTTP connections. More information about this mode can be found in the VAPIX Library.
- Breaking changes (intentional and will break backwards compatibility)
  - The WebService Discovery (WS-Discovery) protocol is disabled by default. It only applies for factory defaulted devices. It is possible to enable through the VAPIX API: WebService.DiscoveryMode.Discoverable. MDNS is the preferred way of discovering Axis devices on networks.
  - Removed the possibility to format SD cards to the vFAT file system. However, they can still be used as before.
  - Removed the obsolete IPFilter param.cgi parameters as the new Firewall Service is replacing them appropriately. The removed parameters are: Network.Filter.Enabled, Network.Filter.Input.AcceptAddresses, Network.Filter.Input.Policy, Network.Filter.Log.Enabled
- Product specific features and changes
  - Added the rename event to improve post-processing tracking.
     <u>Applies to</u>: Products based on AXIS ARTPEC-8 and Ambarella CV25. Not applicable to
     AXIS M4317-PLR/PLVE, AXIS M4318-PLR/-PLVE, AXIS M4327-P, AXIS M4328-P, AXIS P3827-PVE, AXIS P1468-XLE and AXIS XFQ1656
  - Hardware modifications have been made to proactively prepare for the new NDAA 23 regulations that will be required in the year 2028. You will find more information about NDDA Compliance on *axis.com*. In AXIS OS knowledge base you will find more about *Hardware changes*. The hardware ID can be found in the device's web interface, at Plain config > Properties > System > Hardware ID.

Products with Hardware ID A09 only supports active track 12.1.XX and later, as well as LTS 2024 11.11.XX. Applies to: AXIS M3128-LVE

Products with Hardware ID A08 only supports active track 12.1.XX and later, as well as LTS 2024 11.11.XX. Applies to: AXIS M3088-V

Products with Hardware ID A07 only supports active track 12.1.XX and later, as well as LTS 2024 11.11.XX. Applies to: AXIS M4218-V and AXIS M4218-LV

Products with Hardware ID A14 and A15 only supports active track 12.1.XX and later, as well as LTS 2024 11.11.XX.

Applies to: AXIS P3738-PLE and AXIS P4708-PLVE

## Additional information

### Current AXIS OS version

Release date: September/October 2024

### AXIS OS 12.0

- Features for all products
  - Added the ability to disable the anonymous access of Basic Device Info properties.
- Cybersecurity
  - Addressed CVE-2024-7784. Note that downgrading the product to an older AXIS OS version other than the latest supported LTS 2024 (11.11.109) or LTS 2022 (10.12.257) release is not possible.
     For more information, please visit the Axis vulnerability management portal and the Developer community.
     <u>Applies to:</u> All products base on AXIS ARTPEC-8, I.MX 6SX, I.MX 6ULL, I.MX 8M-Mini, I.MX 8M-Nano and I.MX 8QP/M.
  - Updated cURL to version 8.9.0 to increase overall cybersecurity level.
- Breaking changes (intentional and will break backwards compatibility)
  - Removed root-privileged access for ACAP applications. Please read the full *guide* for more information.
  - Root-privileged access to Axis products and ACAP applications has been removed indefinitely without the
    possibility to enable it. This change applies to the factory default settings as well as when upgrading to AXIS OS
    12 from any previous version of AXIS OS. This has been communicated since May 2023, read the full guide for
    more information.
  - IPv4 compliance has been implemented. With the above changes, AXIS OS devices no longer have default IP addresses. The Axis OS devices will use IP addresses either from a DHCP server or from a statically configured address. The devices will only revert to link-local addresses if an IP address conflict is detected or if a DHCP server is not available on the network. Read more information on *the IPv4 address transition* in AXIS OS Knowledge base.
  - Changed the object type from Bicycle to Bike in ONVIF metadata stream.
  - Removed the vaconfig.cgi VAPIX API since it's obsolete.
  - Removed support for SMB 1.0 and 2.0 to increase overall cybersecurity level.
  - Removed support for TLS 1.0/1.1 HTTPS connections, to increase overall security level.
  - The lightcontrol webservice API is removed and replaced by lightcontrol JSON API. Please see VAPIX Library for specification.
  - Disabled HTTP Port 80 redirects, if the device is configured to HTTPS-only, to increase the overall device security.
  - Removed "tt:ClassDescriptor/tt:ClassCandidate" from Analytics Scene description. ONVIF recommend using "tt:ClassDescriptor/tt:Type". Changed the VAPIX Rate Control API to make it simpler. This was communicated earlier *here*.
  - Removed the axis-release/releaseinfo.cgi VAPIX API. It is recommended to use the Basic Device Information VAPIX API instead, see more info in the VAPIX Library.
  - Removed the getBrand.cgi VAPIX API. It is recommended to use the Basic Device Information VAPIX API instead, see more info in the VAPIX Library.
  - Removed legacy overlays. The ability to create overlays through parameter.cgi is removed. For more information go to *Developer community*.
  - The old web interface, also called "AXIS OS web version B", is removed.
  - New version of privacymask.cgi. Unused functionality or parameters have been removed, while those utilized in the previous version have been

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### preserved.

The following will be removed in privacymask.cgi: preview\_on, preview\_off, query list, query position, ptpolygon, imagerotation, imageresolution, zoomlowlimit

The following will be removed in param.cgi: parameter Image.I[source].Overlay.MaskWindows.PtPolygon

- Product specific features and changes
  - The ability to enable ACAP Computer Vision SDK support is removed because the products only have 1 GB of memory.

Applies to: AXIS D2210-VE, AXIS M3215-LVE, AXIS M3216-LVE, AXIS M5526-E, AXIS P1385/-B/-BE/-E, AXIS P1387/-B/-BE/-LE, AXIS P1388/-B/-BE/-LE, AXIS P1465-LE, AXIS P1465-LE-3, AXIS P1467-LE, AXIS P1468-LE, AXIS P3265-LV/-LVE/-V, AXIS P3265-LVE-3, AXIS P3267-LV/-LVE and AXIS P3268-LV/-LVE/-SLVE

- Support for AXIS T6101 has been removed. Please use AXIS OS LTS 2024 instead. Read more about compatible products on *here*.

## Open source library support

AXIS OS-based network products use a variety of open source libraries. Therefore, it is critical that changes to these libraries are reflected in AXIS OS. Libraries are updated in the AXIS OS Active and LTS tracks in conjunction with the release. If there are no software restrictions, they are also updated in the PSS track.

If an open source library becomes end-of-life (EOL) by the upstream community, Axis aims to replace the library in a timely manner or provide support in a different way depending on its use within the AXIS OS-based network product. An example is listed below.

**OpenSSL** is used for cryptographic operations. The currently used OpenSSL 1.1.1 version is a long-term support (LTS) release which has reached its *EOL during September 2023* as announced by the OpenSSL foundation.

- From AXIS OS 11.6.89 and onwards, the newest OpenSSL 3.0 library (LTS) is supported in addition to the current OpenSSL 1.1.1, which will be deprecated but still usable.
- Axis plans to remove OpenSSL 1.1.1 support in AXIS OS 12 after LTS 2024.
- To support AXIS OS LTS tracks, Axis has a support contract agreement with the OpenSSL foundation for continued patching of OpenSSL 1.1.1.

### ACAP related information

Starting from ACAP SDK version 4.14, we're integrating the latest openSSL Version 3 into the Native ACAP SDK. Please read more in the *release notes* and explore API examples on *GitHub* for details.

#### What needs to be done:

If any Axis-owned ACAP relies on the OpenSSL 1.1.1 runtime dependency provided by the platform, it requires refactoring and rebuilding with OpenSSL 3 libraries. We recommend utilizing the latest ACAP SDK (4.14) to ensure compatibility with the correct library version.

## Software Bill of Materials

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A Software Bill of Materials (SBOM) is an inventory of all components included in the software. It has become an increasingly important and common part of software development lifecycle and processes. It allows IT Operations and Security staff to determine which third-party or open-source software is packaged with your software. Having an SBOM is important when it comes to securing your IT systems and protecting user data.

### Why do Axis publish an SBOM?

Axis works actively with the principles of openness and building trust through transparency, the SBOM is a valued addition to these principles. It provides our customers with the information necessary to know whether or not the products we have provided may be vulnerable to cyber attacks.

### For which AXIS OS versions?

Axis will provide an SBOM for all AXIS OS releases on active track starting with release 11.2.

#### What is included?

The Axis SBOM contains information about Axis-Proprietary components and Opensource software used to assemble AXIS OS.

### What is excluded and why?

Initially, due to current licensing and technical limitations we cannot provide information about third-party proprietary software and Axis-proprietary components with dependencies. In addition to this some of the packages in the software consist of pre-compiled bundles such as our web interface and ACAPS, which have not in their turn provided an SBOM. Over time our aim is to cover all the third-party components and as much of the Axis-proprietary components as legally possible.

#### Where can I find the SBOM?

The SBOM is located together with the AXIS OS version it is based on. AXIS OS can be found in the product support or at the *download page*.

#### What format and why?

The Axis SBOM is produced in accordance with the CycloneDX SBOM specification. This format seems to be the most usable in other systems and strives to be a minimalist format easy to work with. Advantages of this format can be found *here*.

### What is the difference between a SBOM and the Third party software licenses document?

The Third party software licenses document is meant to list all legal agreements and licenses with third parties related to any intellectual property that allows us to use, market and incorporate this into our products.

#### What about SBOM for other AXIS software?

This is a start, and we are looking into how SBOM is applicable to other software from Axis.

#### Where can I find more information about SBOM in general?

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration provides more educational information about SBOM.

- Framing Software Component Transparency: Establishing a Common Software Bill of Material (SBOM)
- Software Bill of Material FAQ

### How can I use the SBOM to analyze the software?

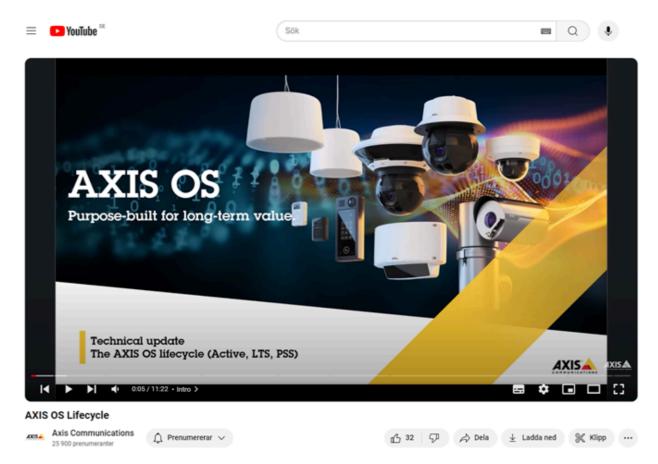
The Axis SBOM contains information about Axis-Proprietary and Opensource software used to assemble AXIS OS. The Axis SBOM can be used by third party vulnerability scanners to highlight known vulnerabilities in software packages. A vulnerability that applies to a certain module or feature in a software package needs to be loaded and used by the Axis device. Vulnerabilities in modules that are not loaded are not relevant but may still be flagged by the vulnerability scanner or SBOM information. For more information on how to work with the result of a security scanner see: *AXIS OS Vulnerability Scanner Guide*.

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AXIS OS supplies three types of tracks: active, long-term support (LTS) and product-specific support (PSS) track.

In the active track, we consistently add new features while also improving cybersecurity. In LTS, we refrain from introducing new features, prioritizing to maintain cybersecurity and ensuring compatibility. PSS will receive updates less frequently compared to our other two tracks, but we remain committed to addressing bug corrections and upholding cybersecurity measures.

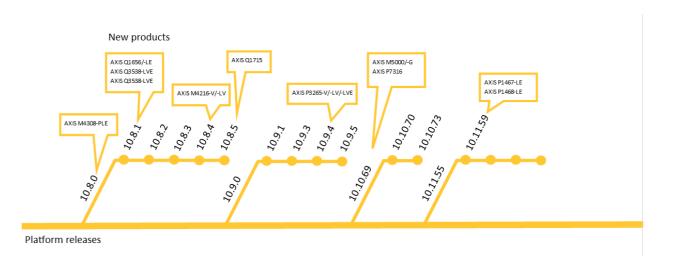


There's a YouTube video that explains the AXIS OS lifecycle in more detail. It covers our different tracks, version management and upgrade recommendations.

## Active track

The most updated and feature progressive track of AXIS OS, that is suitable for customers who want access to the newest features and improvements. New products are launched on this track, which means the most immediate access to any new features and updates.

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## Long-term support track

The focus of the long-term support (LTS) track is to keep the products well integrated with third-party equipment or software, and still get necessary bug fixes and cybersecurity updates. An LTS track has a fixed feature set and a new track is created every two years and maintained for 5 years. No new products or features are added to the LTS track.

## **Product-specific support**

Product-specific support (PSS), is a rare track used when a product needs support after an LTS track has expired. The products on this track will still receive necessary bug fixes and cybersecurity updates. Each product is on its own track, the tracks are not connected with one another. Also, other non-Axis OS products have similar support tracks.

	Active Track	LTS	PSS
Pace	6 major releases/year	Differs between LTS	Differs between products
Supported	Latest version	Latest version in each track	Latest version
Focus on	Feature growth	Compatibility	Compatibility
Vulnerability patches		<b>S</b>	Solution
New security features		×	×
New features		×	×
New product launch		×	×
Product discontinue	×	<b>S</b>	Solution
Example releases	11.1.70, 11.2.53, 11.3.71, 11.4.5	8.40.x, 9.80.x, 10.12.x	6.50.5.16, 7.10.3026, 8.45.4.3

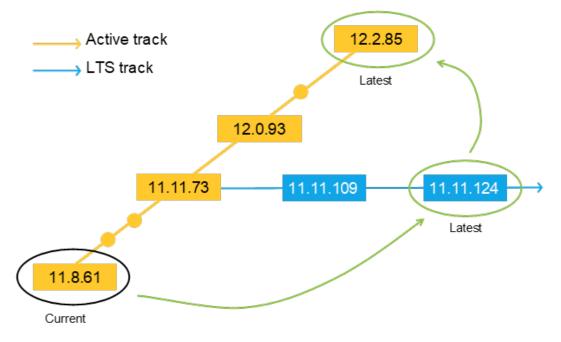
## Upgrade recommendations

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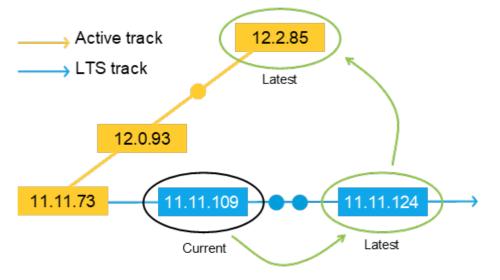
You can upgrade your devices using the web interface or various device management tools, such as AXIS Device Manager, AXIS Camera Station Pro, and AXIS Edge. AXIS Device Management Extend simplifies the upgrade process by providing built-in backend upgrade paths. Read more about *How to upgrade* in AXIS OS Knowledge base.

Here are some recommendations for how to upgrading:

• Upgrading from an older active track to the latest active: Upgrade to the latest version of the intermediate LTS.

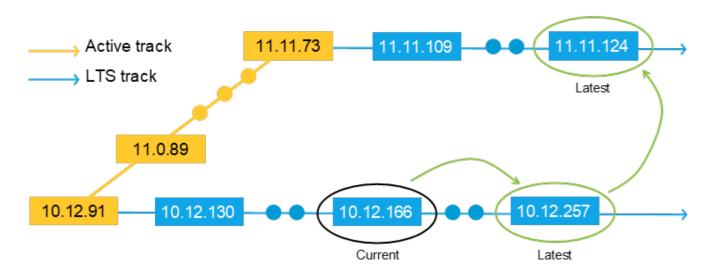


• Upgrading from the latest LTS track to the active track: Start by upgrading to the latest version of your current LTS.

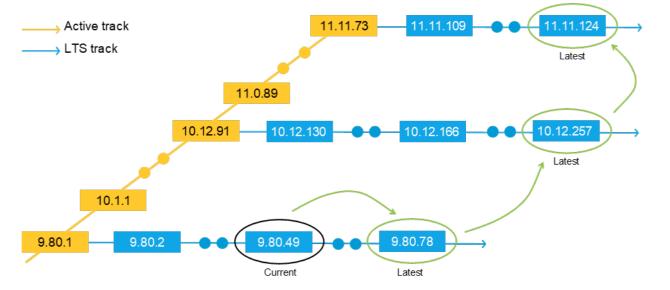


• Upgrading from an older LTS to the next LTS version: First, update to the latest version of your current LTS

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• Upgrading from an older LTS to two newer LTS versions: Upgrade to the intermediate LTS version first.



### Considerations

A new active track always means that something has changed. To move AXIS OS forward we deliberately introduce breaking changes to keep our software up-to-date due to cybersecurity and feature growth. When you upgrade to a newer track please keep in mind we may have introduced new features, changed the default settings, and performance enhancements can affect compatibility with your existing system.

Over time, multiple LTS tracks become available for a product. Each LTS track is designed to provide long-term stability by focusing on bug fixes without introducing new features. However, it's advisable to move to the newest LTS track.

Therefore, product upgrades should be performed in a controlled and monitored manner to ensure that the version is performing as expected in your environment before proceeding. It is always recommended to have a group of devices that represent your inventory in a test environment and validate the upgrade before the actual installation. Grouping and and testing please read more here.

### Stay current with AXIS OS upgrades

Maintaining a consistent upgrade strategy is essential for ensuring your Axis products benefit from ongoing enhancements. Axis Technical Services also advises upgrading to the latest version when addressing issues with an Axis product.

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### Selecting the right latest version

With multiple upgrade options available, it's important to choose the appropriate "latest" version. Here's some guidance:

- For Long-term support (LTS), we recommend to chose the newest LTS track if available for you product.
- On any track (Active or LTS), we recommend upgrading to the latest available version.

By following this approach, you'll keep your Axis products up-to-date with optimal performance and cybersecurity.

Question	Answer
Which track should I choose - Active or LTS?	If the active track is available for your product and there are no significant limitations or dependencies, we recommend choosing the active track.
If my Axis product is running on the LTS 2022 (10.12) track, should I consider upgrading to the latest AXIS OS active track?	It depends on third-party dependencies and compatibility with the active track. Generally, we recommend remaining on the LTS 2022 (10.12) track and updating within that track as long as it's supported. If you need features only on the active track, upgrading might be worth considering.
I would like to run my Axis product on an LTS track, but there is currently no LTS track available.	If your product was released between two LTS tracks, it's recommended to keep it updated on the active track until a new LTS track is available. New LTS tracks are introduced every two years.
If there are multiple LTS tracks available, which LTS track should I choose?	We recommend using the latest LTS track supported by your third-party software. This ensures compatibility, reduces the need to switch tracks, and provides access to the latest cybersecurity updates and features.
Should I consider upgrading my Axis product from the LTS 2022 (10.12) track to the new LTS track?	Yes, upgrading to the new LTS track is recommended. However, to ensure a smooth transition, align this with other schedules such as VMS upgrades, network maintenance, and camera replacement cycles.
What should I do if my VMS states that it requires a specific version of the LTS track, such as version 9.80.3.2 on LTS 2020, but I cannot find it on axis.com?	If your VMS specifies a specific LTS version, it will also be compatible with subsequent releases within that track. VMS systems typically list one version because it was certified with it, but compatibility remains consistent within each LTS track. It's generally safe to use other versions.
When upgrading from an old LTS to a new LTS, is it necessary to upgrade to the intermediate versions?	To preserve settings, we recommend upgrading in incremental steps. If resetting the device to factory defaults, however, intermediate versions are not necessary.

### **Downloading AXIS OS**

Which AXIS OS tracks are available for an Axis edge device can be obtained when downloading AXIS OS from the download page.

AXIS OS can also be found on the product support page for each product, where you can find all available supported versions and some older. Older unsupported versions will periodically be removed due to known bugs and cybersecurity vulnerabilities that are corrected in later releases. It is recommend to only AXIS OS versions that are supported.

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Download device software					
	Find the right software	(previously firmware) releases by searc	ching for your device.		
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Product	End of support ()	Version			
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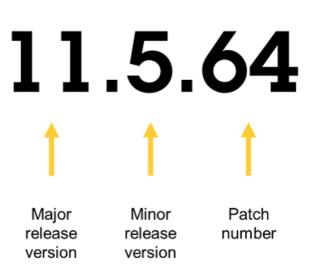
Please see below a list of common tags that indicate different AXIS OS tracks as seen in the picture above.

Tag example	Explanation
11.10.61 - AXIS OS	AXIS OS active track providing new features, security and other improvements.
10.12.228 - AXIS OS LTS 2022 9.80.66 - AXIS OS LTS 2020	AXIS OS long-term support track (LTS) providing security and maintain compatibility.
8.43.48 - PSS 6.50.5.10 5.51.4.7	With and without PSS tag. Product-specific support (PSS) track.

## **AXIS OS versioning**

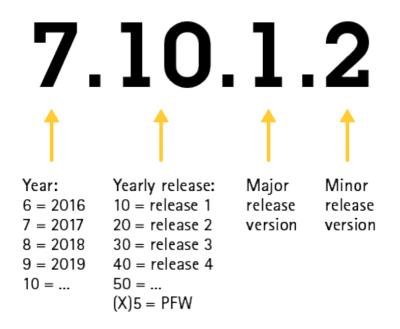
AXIS OS releases are denoted by a unique number combination. Older releases where named by the year and type of the release but since release 10.10 we changed the versioning. The differences and the significance of each number is explained in the figures below.

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- The major version is incremented after a new active track has been created. This happens every two years when the active track becomes an LTS track.
- The minor version is indicating what feature set is included and updated with each feature release approximately 6 times per year.
- The patch number is increased more often, it's used for adding patches and bugfixes, and only final versions will be available to customers. This means that this number is only a number to mirror the external version with the internal version.

Previous versioning .



### **AXIS OS Support**

When a product has an AXIS OS support date, what does that mean?

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The product will be supported during this period with stability and security releases.

### What is required to get the full support period?

The device needs to be upgraded to the latest supported LTS version. For more information on upgrade strategy, see .

#### Why do some products only show the date for Hardware support and not AXIS OS support or vice versa?

Which dates will be shown depends on what information have been investigated and where the product is in its lifecycle. In some cases no dates are shown, and in other cases two different dates can be shown. If the product has a set end of support date for hardware and AXIS OS, they will both be shown.

#### Why do the products have such varied end of support dates?

The support dates will be set per product as each product has its own hardware configuration regarding SoC (system-on-chip), memory, etc. Since the portfolio adds new products all the time, we need also to limit the total number of products supported, otherwise the level of support would have to be reduced.

### Why do some products lack an AXIS OS maintenance date?

A support date is only available for products that have a determined support period. It will be available for more products in the AXIS portfolio over time. Please contact the Axis Technical Support Helpdesk for further questions.

### What happens when the AXIS OS support has expired for a product?

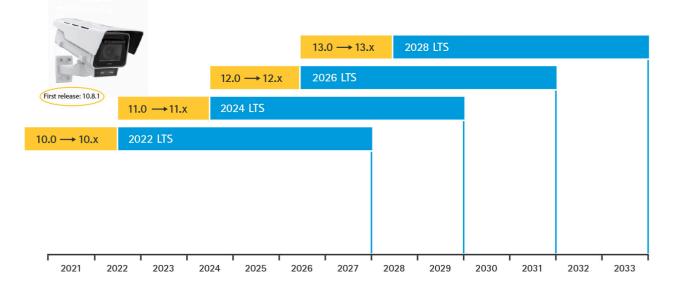
There will be no further updates, improvements, or security patches. There are limitations on how long we can keep a software up-to-date and make changes in an older version. It gets more difficult and complicated to make changes on software that is limited by hardware resources, and there comes a point when we no longer can keep the product cyber secure.

#### Where do I find out more about the current AXIS OS release forecast, upcoming changes and currently supported tracks?

Please follow and monitor the in the AXIS OS portal.

#### Example of AXIS OS Support:

During its product lifecycle, AXIS Q1656-LE Box Camera will receive new features, higher cybersecurity, improvements and security patches up until 2028. From 2028 until 2033, it will get some improvements and all security patches through LTS 2028, with focus on compatibility.



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