Advance from visibility to automated threat containment with Cisco ISE

Secure every connection

Cisco Identity Services Engine Licenses

Platform License
VM or Cloud appliance licenses to run ISE

Feature License
Endpoint licenses to use ISE features

Device Admin License
Network device admin license, if using TACACS+

Essential
Identify who and what connects to the network

Advantage
Classify, segment and share identity context with other solutions/services

Premier
Manage compliance and automatically contain threats

Zero Trust is a journey, not a feature

Cisco ISE enables security at every stage and progression aligns with security maturity model below.

01	02	03
ISE Essentials	**ISE Advantage**	**ISE Premier**
Verify who connects	Control what they can access	Enforce compliance and contain threats
What you get	**What you get**	**What you get**
Visibility into all users & devices across wired, wireless, and VPN	Device profiling & classification	Device posture validation (health checks)
Secure onboarding (employees, guests, IoT)	Identity-based segmentation (TrustSec / SGT)	Compliance enforcement (MDM/ EMM integration)
Consistent access policy across your network	Integration with security ecosystem (pxGrid)	Automated threat containment
Business outcome	**Business outcome**	**Business outcome**
Baseline security	Reduced lateral movement	Continuous device trust
Audit-ready access control	Stronger Zero Trust posture	Automated threat response

Transformation

Before ISE



After ISE

Quick decision guide

Upgrade to Advantage if you need	Upgrade to Premier if you need
Device classification (IoT, printers, cameras)	Device compliance checks before access
Identity-based segmentation (not VLANs)	Integration with MDM (Intune, Jamf, etc.)
Policies based on user/device context	Continuous compliance for audits
Integration with security tools	Automatic isolation of compromised devices

View the in-depth guide to find the right plan for your network.

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