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for the ProCurve Switches 1600M, 2424M, 4000M, and 8000M

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About Your ProCurve Switches 1600M, 2424M, 4000M, and 8000M Manual Set

The switch manual set includes the following:

Document	Available on the ProCurve web site	Shipped With the Switch
<i>Read Me First</i> (this document) ¹	Yes	Yes
<i>Installation and Getting Started Guide</i> ¹	Yes	Yes
<i>Management and Configuration Guide</i> ¹	Yes	No
<i>Release Notes</i> ¹	Yes	No

¹The latest edition is always available in PDF format and downloadable as described in "[View or Download the Software Manual Set](#)" on page 1.

View or Download the Software Manual Set

The printed *Installation and Getting Started Guide* shipped with your ProCurve product describes installing, minimally configuring, and troubleshooting. For further software feature and configuration information, visit the ProCurve Web site, where you can freely view or download the latest software manuals for your product. To do so, go to: www.procurve.com/manuals

You may want to bookmark this Web page for easy access in the future.

You can also register on the My ProCurve portal to receive a set of ProCurve switch manuals on CD-ROM. To register and request a CD go to www.procurve.com and click on **My ProCurve Sign In**. After registering and entering the portal, click on **My Manuals**.

Your Free Introduction to Proactive Networking!

ProCurve Manager and ProCurve Manager Plus offer a breakthrough in network management software that gives you more network with less work. ProCurve Manager and a 30-day trial of ProCurve Manager Plus are available for free on the ProCurve Networking Web site. Also available on the ProCurve Web site are 30-day free trials of Mobility Manager, Identity-Driven Manager, and Network Immunity Manager. To download any of these options, visit www.procurve.com/software and click on **Network management**.

Software Updates Are *Free!*



ProCurve Networking provides free software updates on the ProCurve Web site for your switch. To access the software updates, go to the ProCurve Web site at www.procurve.com/software, then click on **Switches** to go to the page that has the free download for your switch.

Register for Automatic Notification of Updates. You can receive email notices of new software updates by registering your ProCurve product on the ProCurve Web portal. To begin this easy process, go to www.procurve.com and click on **My ProCurve Sign In**.

To determine whether you have the latest software, you can compare the software version that is available on the web site with the version that is currently installed on your switch. Follow the instructions below to determine the current software version on your switch.

To Determine the Current Software Version in Your Switch. Use any of the following methods to view the software version:

- Start a console session with the switch. In the console login screen (the first screen displayed), the **Software revision** line under the switch name shows the software version.
- If you already have a console session going, at the prompt enter the **show version** command. The resulting display lists the current software version.
- In the web browser interface, click on the **Identity** tab. The current software version is listed as the **revision** number in the **Version** line.

Switches 4000M and 8000M Power Supply Requirements

If you plan to install six or more HP ProCurve Switch 100Base-FX modules (HP J4112A) in the Switch 4000M or Switch 8000M, you *must* first install a second Switch 4000M/8000M (Redundant) Power Supply (HP J4119A) in the switch. Note that if a redundant power supply is installed and one of the switch's power supplies subsequently fails, you can replace the failed power supply without disrupting switch operation.

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