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Introduction

This document provides release information on ZoneDirector release 9.12.2, including new features, enhancements, known issues, caveats, workarounds, upgrade details and interoperability information for version 9.12.2.

NOTE: By downloading this software and subsequently upgrading the ZoneDirector and/or the AP to version 9.12.2, please be advised that:

- The ZoneDirector will periodically connect to Ruckus and Ruckus will collect the ZoneDirector serial number, software version and build number. Ruckus will transmit a file back to the ZoneDirector and this will be used to display the current status of the ZoneDirector Support Contract.
- The AP may send a query to Ruckus containing the AP's serial number. The purpose is to enable your AP to autonomously connect with a wireless LAN controller operated by your choice of cloud service provider. Ruckus may transmit back to the AP, the Fully Qualified Domain Name (FQDN) or IP address of the controller that the AP will subsequently attempt to join.

Please be advised that this information may be transferred and stored outside of your country of residence where data protection standards may be different.

Supported Country Codes

Refer to the Ruckus Wireless Price List for available country certifications.

What's New in This Release

For information on the new features that have been added in this release, see [“Enhancements” on page 10](#). Please refer to the Release Notes for prior releases for information on previously documented caveats, limitations, enhancements and resolved issues. These Release Notes can be found at:

<https://support.ruckuswireless.com/>

Supported Platforms and Upgrade Information

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Supported Platforms

ZoneDirector version **9.12.2.0.101** supports the following ZoneDirector models:

- ZoneDirector 1200
- ZoneDirector 3000
- ZoneDirector 5000

Access Points

ZoneDirector version **9.12.2.0.101** supports the following Access Point models:

- H500
- R300
- R310
- R500
- R600
- R700
- R710
- SC8800-S
- SC8800-S-AC
- T300
- T300e
- T301n
- T301s
- ZF7055
- ZF7321
- ZF7231-u
- ZF7341
- ZF7343

- ZF7352
- ZF7363
- ZF7372
- ZF7372-E
- ZF7441
- ZF7761-CM
- ZF7762
- ZF7762-AC
- ZF7762-S
- ZF7762-S-AC
- ZF7762-T
- ZF7781CM
- ZF7782
- ZF7782-E
- ZF7782-N
- ZF7782-S
- ZF7982

Upgrading to This Version

This section lists important notes on upgrading ZoneDirector to this version.

Officially Supported 9.12.2 Upgrade Paths

The following ZoneDirector builds can be directly upgraded to ZoneDirector build 9.12.2.0.101:

- 9.9.0.0.205 (9.9 GA release)
- 9.9.0.0.216 (9.9 GA refresh)
- 9.9.1.0.31 (9.9 MR 1 release)
- 9.10.0.0.214 (9.10 GA release)
- 9.10.0.0.218 (9.10 GA refresh)
- 9.12.0.0.336 (9.12 GA)
- 9.12.1.0.140 (9.12 MR 1 release)
- 9.12.1.0.148 (9.12 MR 1 refresh release)

NOTE: If you do not have a valid Support Entitlement contract, you will be unable to upgrade ZoneDirector to this release. See *Administer > Support* page for information on Support Entitlement activation.

If you are running an earlier version, you must first upgrade to one of the above builds before upgrading to this release.

Enhancements and Resolved Issues

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This section lists new features and enhancements that have been added in this release and resolved issues from previous releases.

Enhancements

- New Access Point: R310

The R310 is an entry-level dual-band 802.11ac Wave 1 access point, with a single Gigabit Ethernet port supporting 802.3af PoE, and full support for the full range of Ruckus features such as BeamFlex & ChannelFly.

NOTE: The R310 is an entry level 802.11ac dual-band AP that does not support the Smart Mesh or Spectrum Analysis features, and supports a maximum of 100 unencrypted clients.

- CLI enhancements:
 - Set ZD timezone via CLI
 - Restore ZD backup via CLI
- Support for Smart Redundancy with temporary license.
- Zero-IT support for Android 5.0.
- Zero-IT support for iOS 9.0.
- Zero-IT support for Windows 10.
- Updated new FlexMaster SSL certificate into ZoneDirector. (Note: See [Flex-Master SSL Certificate](#) for limitations related to new FM SSL certificate.)

Resolved Issues

ZoneDirector

- Client Fingerprinting now properly identifies Android 6.0 clients. [ZF-14684]
- Client Fingerprinting now properly identifies Windows 10 Mobile clients. [ZF-14656]
- Client Fingerprinting now properly identifies iOS 9 clients. [ZF-14502]
- Device Access Policy now properly identifies Mac OS X “El Capitan” clients. [ZF-14586]
- Resolved an issue that could cause ZoneDirector to become unresponsive or reboot when autonomous WLANs were deployed and the connection between the AP and ZoneDirector was unstable or the AP or ZD was under heavy load. [ER-3157]

Access Points

- Resolved an issue that could cause R710 driver errors when Dynamic VLAN was enabled. [ZF-13021]
- Resolved an issue where iOS 9 clients were unable to connect to a hidden SSID with L2 MAC ACL enabled. This issue was caused by Apple’s introduction of MAC randomization in iOS 8 (and subsequent changes to the feature in iOS 9). [ER-3186]
- Resolved an issue with duplicate entries in Proxy ARP for the same MAC address, which could lead to network interruption for some clients in certain situations. [ER-3166]
- Resolved an issue that could cause ZF 7982 APs to reboot randomly after upgrading to 9.12.1 build 140. [ER-3122]
- Resolved an issue that could cause disconnection when adding an entry to the L2/MAC Access Control List. [ER-2926]
- Resolved an issue with incorrect values for some SNMP MIBs. [ER-2838]
- Resolved a security issue related to the Logjam attack. Please see www.ruckuswireless.com/security for security incidents and responses. [ER-2647]
- Resolved an issue related to the Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) vulnerability. Please see www.ruckuswireless.com/security for security incidents and responses. [ER-2499]

- Resolved a Dynamic VLAN issue that could cause 802.11ac clients to lose broadcast packets for 10-30 seconds when more than 5 clients were connected to a WLAN with DVLAN enabled. [ER-2331]
- Hidden AP CLI commands have been added that allow the customer or admin to disable the Aggregated Mac Protocol Data Unit (A-MPDU) feature on the WiFi interface. This feature avoids or reduces transmission aggregation errors under certain conditions and maybe helpful in finding errors. By default the A-MPDU is enabled on the AP. [ER-1943]

Caveats, Limitations, and Known Issues

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This section lists the caveats, limitations, and known issues in this release.

Ethernet Port Settings

ZoneFlex AP Ethernet ports can become disabled if half-duplex is forced on any port. [ID ER-1208, ER-1229]

This problem affects the following:

- APs: ZoneFlex 7341, 7343, 7363, 7761, and 7762

Workaround: Uplink switch ports must be set to 100Mbps auto-negotiation or 1000Mbps auto-negotiation.

R710 Known Issues

- No Syslog message is sent for 802.3af PoE mode change. [ZF-13160]
- R710 AP continues to request 25W power from the PoE switch even when the AP is configured to 802.3af mode. [ZF-14489]

Workaround: Disable LLDP Power-Via-MDI TLV on the PoE switch (this is only necessary if you wish to force the AP into 802.3af PoE mode on an 802.3at PoE+ switch for power budgeting reasons). On some switches, you may need to reset the AP connected Ethernet port/s to force the switch to renegotiate the new power level.

- The R710 can be powered by a 802.3at-compliant (25.5W) Power over Ethernet (PoE) switch or PoE injector -- *or* -- an 802.3af-compliant PoE switch or PoE injector.

Note that the AP can operate off of 802.3af power, but the feature set is reduced, as follows:

- The USB port is disabled
- The non-PoE (eth1) Ethernet port is disabled
- The 2.4 GHz radio is reduced to two transmit streams (2x4 MIMO) with aggregate transmit power up to 22dBm (subject to country limits).

R710 Features Not Supported in This Release

Support for these features is planned for a future release.

- AirTime Fairness
- Smart Mesh
- Spectrum Analysis
- WLAN Prioritization

H500, R310, R500, R600, R700 and T300 Series APs

The following features are not included in this release:

- Airtime Fairness on 5 GHz radio
- Spectrum Analysis on 5 GHz radio
- WLAN Prioritization on 5 GHz radio

Ethernet Port Redundancy

- If both ZoneDirector ports are connected to the same switch, clients connected to a tunneled WLAN may become unable to access the Internet after eth0 goes down when the VLAN is not 1. This issue does not occur when the two ports are connected to separate switches. [ZF-13793]

SPoT Location Services

- When Location Services is enabled in an AP group, and the SPoT server configured in venue configuration is not reachable, other AP Groups may be unable to communicate with the SPoT server.

Workaround: Disable SPoT location service on any AP groups that are configured with unreachable venues. [ZF-9747, ZF-9750]

FlexMaster SSL Certificate

- As a result of the new FlexMaster SSL certificate into ZoneDirector, ZoneDirector 9.12.2.0 will NOT work with FlexMaster 9.12.1 and prior versions. Customers who use FlexMaster to manage ZoneDirector will need to upgrade FlexMaster to 9.12.2 to continue to be able to communicate with ZoneDirector 9.12.2.

ZoneDirector Controller and SmartZone Controller Interoperability

To ensure reliable network operations, it is recommended that ZoneDirector controllers and SmartZone controllers (SmartCell gateway and SmartZone controllers) not be deployed on the same IP subnet or in such a way as the controllers share the same DHCP address scopes and domain name servers (DNS) as there may be limitations or restrictions in AP controller discovery capabilities. An effective network segmentation strategy should be developed when ZoneDirector and SmartZone controllers co-exist in the same network.

Redeploying ZoneFlex APs with SmartZone Controllers

Note that a supported ZoneFlex AP configured to operate with ZoneDirector will require an upgrade to a compatible SmartZone controller approved software release prior to interoperating with a SmartZone controller. Once the AP firmware is updated, the AP will no longer be able to communicate with its old ZoneDirector controller. The AP must be reset to factory-default setting before attempting to configure the AP from the SmartZone controller.

NOTE: There are established ZD to SZ controller migration tools and procedures. Contact support.ruckuswireless.com for the latest available procedures and utilities.

ZoneFlex Release 9.9 and AP Standalone Mode and FlexMaster Managed Mode Operation

Starting January 1, 2015 the default image that ships from the factory on Ruckus access points (APs) will change from ZoneFlex Release 9.8.x to ZoneFlex Base Image Release 100.0.x. Most customers will not notice any difference in AP operation. The APs will continue to support standalone mode and FlexMaster managed mode operations and will automatically discover and connect to ZoneDirector or SmartZone controllers.

Beginning in ZoneFlex Release 9.9 and higher, the AP has a new behavior: once an AP connects to a controller the AP will no longer support standalone mode and FlexMaster managed mode operation after the controller completes the necessary AP firmware update during initialization.

An AP removed from a controller managed network may be restored to operate in standalone mode and FlexMaster managed mode operation by updating the AP firmware back to ZoneFlex Base Image Release 100.0.x or to a ZoneFlex-AP Release 9.8.x or lower.

These software images are available on the Ruckus support site, see support.ruckuswireless.com for more information.

AP Interoperability

APs with ordering number prefix 901- (example 901-T300-WW81), may now be supplied with an AP base image release 100.0. or higher.

The AP base image is optimized for controller-discovery compatibility to support all Ruckus Wireless controller products including ZoneDirector, SCG, vSCG, Smart-Zone and SAMS.

Once the AP discovers and joins a controller (for example ZoneDirector), the AP is updated to the compatible controller-specific AP firmware version. The updated AP firmware version becomes the factory-default image. The updated AP firmware version (for example ZoneFlex 9.9) will remain persistent on the AP after reset to factory defaults.

An AP configured with base image release 100.0 may be managed by the FlexMaster management tool or may be used in standalone controller-less operation if controller discovery is disabled on the AP web UI.

Client Interoperability

ZoneDirector and ZoneFlex APs use standard protocols to interoperate with third-party Wi-Fi devices. Ruckus Wireless qualifies its functionality on the most common clients.

The following client operating systems and browsers have been tested for compatibility with this release (for specific OS and browser limitations, including compatibility with Zero-IT, see subsequent sections below).

PC OS:

- Windows 7
- Windows 8
- Windows 8.1
- Windows 10
- Mac OS 10.8.5
- Mac OS 10.9.3
- Mac OS 10.9.4
- Mac OS 10.10

Smart Phone/Tablet OS:

- iOS (6.x, 7.x, 8.0, 8.0.2, 8.1, 9.0)
- Android (4.0.4, 4.1.2, 4.4.2, 4.4.4, 5.0.1)
- Windows Phone (8, 8.1, 10)
- BlackBerry OS (10.1.0.4633, 10.3.0.1172)
- Kindle (7.4.9)
- Chrome OS

Officially Supported Browsers:

- Internet Explorer 10, 11
- Firefox 34 and later
- Chrome 39 and later

Not Officially Supported Browsers:

Safari, Dolphin, Opera Mini, Android Default, BlackBerry Default, etc.

Zero-IT Compatibility with Client Devices

Table 1. Zero-IT Compatibility

OS	WPA2 WLAN			802.1x EAP (external Radius Server)		
	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
iOS 6.x	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)
iOS 7.x	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)
iOS 8.0	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)
iOS 8.0.2	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)
iOS 8.1	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)
iOS 9.0	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)	Y	Y	N(ZF-2888)
MAC OS 10.8.5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N(ZF-4699)
Mac OS 10.9.3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N(ZF-4699)
MAC OS 10.9.4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N(ZF-4699)
Mac OS 10.9.5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N(ZF-4699)
Mac OS 10.10	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N(ZF-4699)
Windows 7	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Windows 8	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Windows 8.1	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Windows 10	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Windows Phone 8	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)
Windows Phone 8.1	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)	N (ZF-3478)
BlackBerry OS 10.1	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)
BlackBerry OS 10.3	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)	N (ZF-6402)
Kindle 7.4.9	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Android 4.0.4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Android 4.1.2	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Android 4.4.4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Android 5.0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Chrome OS	N (ZF-8076)	N (ZF-8076)	N (ZF-8076)	N (ZF-8076)	N (ZF-8076)	N (ZF-8076)

- Step 1: Download Zero-IT file
- Step 2: Install Zero-IT script
- Step 3: Automatically connect to the appropriate SSID

Client Interoperability Issues

- Zero-IT is not supported on Windows Phone 7/8/8.1 devices. [ZF-3478]
- Zero-IT is not supported on Blackberry OS devices. [ZF-6402]
- Zero-IT is not supported on Chrome OS devices. [ZF-8076]
- iOS clients cannot connect to the Zero-IT WLAN automatically. Users must reconnect to the target WLAN after installing the Zero-IT configuration file. [ZF-2888]
- Mac OS 10.7 and 10.8 cannot automatically connect to an 802.1x EAP WLAN after installing Zero-IT script. [ZF-4699]
- In some situations, Chromebook clients can take up to 10-50 seconds to resume sending traffic after a channel change. [ZF-14883]



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