

Cloud Certificate Manager

Billing

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1 Overview

In this document, you will learn about how CCM certificates are billed, how you can renew subscriptions and manage costs, and what happens if your account goes into arrears.

- **Billing modes**

CCM provides three billing modes: one-time, pay-per-use, and yearly/monthly billing for you to meet your needs.

- SSL certificates are one-off billing products. You will need to pay a one-time fee based on the certificate type, certificate authority, domain type, domain quantity, and purchased duration.
- Yearly/monthly billing mode can be selected for private CAs. Private certificates support pay-per-use billing mode. If you select pay-per-use billing mode, you will be billed based on the number of private certificates you have. Yearly/Monthly is a prepaid mode. You will be billed based on the required duration in your order. You will need to make sure you have a top-up account with a sufficient balance or have a valid payment method configured first.

For details about billing modes, see [Billing Modes](#).

- **Billing items**

In CCM, the billing items for SCM include SSL certificates and test certificate expansion packages. The billing items of private certificate management consist of the private CA fee and private certificate fee. For details about the billing factors and formulas of each billing item, see [Billing Items](#).

For details about billing examples and how the fee is calculated for each billing item in different billing modes, see [Billing Examples](#).

- **Renewing subscriptions**

An expired SSL certificate cannot protect your service. If you want to continue using the SSL certificate, you need to renew the SSL certificate within a specified period. You can enable auto-renewal for it or manually renew it on the console. For more information about renewal, see [Renewal Overview](#).

- **Bills**

To learn about your expenditures, go to **Billing Center > Billing**, and view the transactions and billing details related to CCM. For details, see [Viewing Bills](#).

- **Arrears**

If there is not a sufficient account balance to pay for your bill and there is no other payment method configured, your account will go into arrears. If your account is in arrears, the service cannot work. You need to top up your account in a timely manner. For details, see [About Arrears](#).

- **Billing termination**

If you no longer need a cloud service resource, you can unsubscribe from or delete it to stop the billing. For details, see [Billing Termination](#).

- **Cost management**

You can manage costs from cost composition, allocation, analysis, and optimization. For details, see [Cost Management](#).

2 Billing Modes

2.1 Overview

CCM provides three billing modes: one-time, pay-per-use, and yearly/monthly billing for you to meet your needs.

 **NOTE**

Currently, pay-per-use private CAs can be purchased by calling APIs only.

- One-time billing applies only to SSL certificates. When purchasing an SSL certificate, a one-time fee is charged based on the certificate type, certificate authority, domain type, number of domain names, and required duration you select.
- Pay-per-use: You pay as you go and just pay for what you use. This billing mode is suitable for purchasing private CAs and private certificates. The prices are calculated by the second but billed every hour. With the pay-per-use billing mode, you can easily adapt to resource requirement changes, reducing the risk of over-provisioning of resources or lacking capacity. In this mode, there are no upfront commitments required.
- Yearly/Monthly billing: A prepaid mode in which you pay for the service before using it. Your bill is settled based on the required period. The longer you use the service, the more discounts you got.

Table 2-1 describes the differences between the billing modes.

Table 2-1 Billing modes

Billing Mode	One-time payment	Pay-per-Use Billing	Yearly/Monthly Billing
Payment Method	Prepaid Calculated based on the specifications of the purchased certificate.	Postpaid Billed for what you use.	Prepaid Billed by the purchase period specified in your order

Billing Mode	One-time payment	Pay-per-Use Billing	Yearly/Monthly Billing
Billing period	One-time payment based on specifications of purchased certificates.	Billed by the second and settled by the hour.	Billed by the purchase period specified in the order
Billing items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SSL certificates • SSL certificate expansion package 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private certificate • Private CAs <p>NOTE Currently, pay-per-use private CAs can be purchased by calling APIs only.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private CAs
Changing billing mode	The billing mode for SSL certificates cannot be changed as SSL certificates are one-time billing products.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Switching to one-time billing is not supported. To terminate the billing, delete the private CA and private certificate. • Switching to yearly/monthly billing is not supported. To terminate the billing, delete the private CA and private certificate. <p>CAUTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deleted private CAs or certificates cannot be restored. Exercise caution when performing this operation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The billing mode cannot be changed to one-time. • The billing mode cannot be changed to pay-per-use.
Application scenario	This billing mode applies to SSL certificates only.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase a private certificate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buy a private CA.

2.2 One-time Payment

One-time billing is a prepaid mode in which you pay for SSL certificates before using them. This mode applies only to SSL certificates.

Billing Item Details

The following table lists billing items of SSL certificates.

 **NOTE**

For the final prices of different billing items, see the purchase page.

Table 2-2 SSL certificate billing items

Service	Description
SSL certificates	A certificate can be valid for 1 year, 2 years, or 3 years. NOTE The longer the certificate, the more discount you get.
Test certificate package	Each account has 20 free certificates. If your free certificate quota is used up and you want to continue using some free certificates, you need to purchase an expansion package. Each expansion package includes 20 free certificates.

Billing Examples

Assume that you purchased a one-year single-domain OV SSL certificate for one domain name from GeoTrust at 14:25:30 on May 25, 2023, and the certificate was issued at 15:30:30 on May 28, 2023. The price includes:

- Total one-time fee of the certificate = Unit price x 1
- The certificate expires at 15:30:30 on May 28, 2024.

Table 2-3 Billing formulas

Resource Type	Billing Formula
SSL certificates	Unit price of the corresponding certificate specifications x Quantity

For details, see [Price Calculator](#).

2.3 Pay-per-Use Billing

Pay-per-use billing is a postpaid mode in which you pay for what you use. This billing mode requires no upfront or long-term commitments. You can purchase **private certificates** in CCM on demand. This section describes the billing rules for private certificates.

 NOTE

- Currently, pay-per-use orders of private CAs can be created only by calling APIs and cannot be created on the console.

Application Scenarios

Pay-per-use billing is good for short-term, burst, or unpredictable workloads that cannot tolerate any interruption

Billing Items

You are billed for the following resources on a pay-per-use basis.

Table 2-4 Billing items

Billing Item	Description
Private certificate	Private certificates you apply for from existing private CAs are billed on a pay-per-use basis.

For details, see [Price Calculator](#).

2.4 Yearly/Monthly

Yearly/Monthly is a prepaid billing mode. If you expect to use resources for a longer period, you can save money by selecting the yearly/monthly billing mode. In the yearly/monthly billing mode, we offer discounts to you. This document describes the rules of yearly/monthly billing.

Application Scenarios

If you want to ensure resource stability over a certain period of time, yearly/monthly billing is a good choice. The yearly/monthly billing mode is recommended for the following workloads:

- Stable services: enterprises' official websites, online malls, blogs, and others. Yearly/Monthly billing provides higher cost efficiency.
- Long-term projects: scientific research projects, large-scale events, and others. Yearly/Monthly billing facilitates stable supply of resources throughout the project.
- Workloads with predictable traffic bursts, for example, e-commerce promotions or festivals. The yearly/monthly billing allows you to purchase resources in advance to avoid resource insufficiency in peak hours.
- High data security: For services that require high data security, yearly/monthly billing facilitates continuous usage of the resources.

Billing Items

The following billing items support yearly/monthly billing.

Table 2-5 Billing items

Billing Item	Description
Private CA	CAs you create are billed on a yearly/monthly basis.

For details about the pricing, see [Price Calculator](#).

Billing Period

A yearly/monthly private CA is billed for the purchased duration (UTC+08:00). The billing starts when you activated or renewed the subscription (accurate to seconds), and ends at 23:59:59 of the expiry date.

For example, if you created a one-month private CA on July 30, 2023, 15:50:04, the billing usage period is from July 30, 2023, 15:50:04 to August 30, 2023, 23:59:59.

3 Billing Items

Billing Description

CCM billing items include SSL certificate management and private certificate management. For details, see [Table 3-1](#).

Table 3-1 CCM billing items

Billing Item	Description	Billing Mode	Billing Formula
SSL certificates	Fees are calculated on the certificate type, CA, certificate validity, and how many certificates are purchased.	One-time payment	One-time payment: Unit price of certificates x certificate quantity
DV (Basic) single-domain free certificate package	Each account has 20 free certificates. When the free certificates are used up, you need to purchase a free certificate package. Each package can contain up to 20 certificates.	One-time payment	One-time payment: Unit price of the expansion package x Quantity
Private CA	If this is your first time creating a private CA, you must create a root CA.	Yearly/ Monthly	Private CA unit price x Required duration
Private certificate	Only activated CAs can be used to issue private certificates.	Pay-per-use billing	Private certificate unit price x Number of private certificates

4 Billing Examples

Example 1:

Scenarios

A customer purchased an SSL certificate at 9:00:00 on May 30, 2026, and the certificate was issued at 17:00:00 on June 10, 2026. The certificate specifications are as follows:

- Certificate type: OV (organization validated)
- Certificate authority: DigiCert
- Domain type: Single domain
- Subscription period: 1 year

The total fee = Certificate unit price x 1

The validity period starts when the certificate is issued. In this example, the certificate expires at 17:00:00 June 10, 2026.

NOTE

For details, see [Price Calculator](#).

5 Renewing Your Subscription

5.1 Overview

Renewal Introduction

You can renew SSL certificates and yearly/monthly private CA. You can purchase private CA and private certificates on a pay-per-use basis, just ensure that your account has a valid payment method configured or a top-up account with a sufficient balance.

Table 5-1

Renewal Type	Scenario	Renewal Method	Description
SSL certificates	<p>An SSL certificate is a one-time payment product. An expired SSL certificate cannot encrypt communications over HTTPS. This will put your service at risk. If you want to continue using an SSL certificate, you need to renew the certificate before it expires.</p> <p>NOTE To prevent risks caused by certificate expiration, we provide the following methods to notify you of certificate expiration: If you want to add or modify the notification recipient, see How Do I Configure SSL Certificate Expiration Notifications?</p>	<p>Auto-renewing an SSL Certificate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After auto-renewal is enabled, the system automatically purchases a new certificate with the same specifications within 30 days before the certificate expires and submits a certificate application using the original certificate application information. After auto-renewal is enabled, check the email notification. The domain name ownership and identity of the applicant need to be verified during certificate application. Therefore, you need to cooperate with the CA to complete domain name verification and organization verification before the certificate issuance.
		<p>Manually Renewing an SSL Certificate</p>	<p>The manual renewal entry is available only for 30 calendar days before an SSL certificate expires.</p>

Renewal Type	Scenario	Renewal Method	Description
Private CA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applies only to private CAs charged in yearly/monthly mode. If a private CA expires, you cannot enable the CA or apply for new certificates under the CA, which may affect service running. You are advised to renew the CA before it expires. 	Auto-renewing a Private CA	When purchasing a private CA in yearly/monthly mode, you are advised to select Auto-renew to prevent your services from being affected by delayed renewal.
		Manual Renewal	Go to the Billing Center to renew the subscription. For details, see Renewal Overview .

Comparison Between SSL Certificate Renewal and Re-purchase

- For renewed certificates, the system pre-fills the information and you can pay directly after confirmation. For newly purchased certificates, you need to manually enter all the information. After the payment, you only need to verify the domain name.
- When you renew a certificate, the validity period of the new certificate will be the validity period of the original certificate plus the validity period you selected (the maximum validity period is 30 days). This is a unique benefit of the new certificate. It cannot be used for newly purchased certificates.

CAUTION

Only paid SSL certificates that have been purchased in Huawei Cloud SCM and are about to expire can be renewed. **Uploaded certificates, free certificates, and single-domain expansion packages** cannot be renewed. If the test certificate quota is used up, see [What Can I Do If My Test Certificate Quota Is Used Up?](#)

5.2 Performing a Manual Renewal

An expired SSL certificate cannot enable HTTPS-encrypted communication. To avoid this, manually renew the certificate before it expires.

Manual Renewal Restrictions

- The manual renewal is available only for **30 calendar days** before an SSL certificate expires.

NOTICE

The renewal of a DigiCert DV (basic) wildcard-domain certificate is available only within **15 calendar days** before the certificate expires.

- Only paid SSL certificates that have been purchased in Huawei Cloud SCM and are about to expire can be renewed. Uploaded certificates, free certificates, and single-domain expansion packages cannot be renewed.
- The configurations of the certificate to be renewed cannot be modified. Manually renewing an SSL certificate is to purchase a new certificate with the exactly same configurations as the original one. The configurations include the certificate authority, certificate type, domain type, domain quantity, and primary domain name.
- The renewal certificate and the original certificate are two independent certificates. Once the renewed certificate is issued, you need to **install it on the web server or deploy it on the Huawei Cloud product** the original one is deployed.
- Only the last certificate in the subscription period can be manually renewed.

Rules for Supplementing the Certificate Validity Period

- Assume that the maximum validity period of a certificate is 200 days. The validity period of the renewed certificate is the renewed validity period (for example, 200 days) plus the remaining validity period of the original certificate (the maximum supplemented period is 30 days). **If the validity period of the original certificate is greater than 30 days, manual renewal is not supported.** For example, if you have issued a 200-day certificate that will expire on October 1, 2026, and you renew and issue the certificate on September 25, 2026, the validity period of the renewed certificate will be five days plus April 17, 2027, that is, April 22, 2027. For details about how to supplement the certificate validity period, see [Table 5-2](#).

Table 5-2 Examples

Manually Renewing a Certificate Whose Validity Period Is Less Than 30 Days	Purchasing a New Certificate Whose Validity Period Is Longer Than 30 Days
<p>Old certificate validity period: 2026-3-15 00:00:00 to 2026-10-1 00:00:00</p> <p>New certificate issued after renewal: 2026-9-25 00:00:00</p> <p>Number of days to be supplemented: 5 days</p> <p>New certificate validity period: 2026-9-25 00:00:00 to 2027-4-22 00:00:00</p>	<p>Old certificate validity period: 2026-3-15 00:00:00 to 2026-10-1 00:00:00</p> <p>New certificate issued after renewal: 2026-9-25 00:00:00</p> <p>Number of days to be supplemented: 0 days</p> <p>New certificate validity period: 2026-9-25 00:00:00 to 2027-4-17 00:00:00</p> <p>Wasted days: 30 days</p>

Prerequisites

The paid certificate is about to expire. To check the certificate status, log in to the [CCM console](#) on the **Status/Application** page of SSL certificates.

Procedure

- Step 1** Log in to the [CCM console](#).
- Step 2** In the navigation pane on the left, choose **SSL Certificate Manager > SSL Certificates**.
- Step 3** In the row containing the desired certificate, click **Renew** in the **Operation** column. [Figure 5-1](#) shows an example.

Figure 5-1 Renewal

Certificate Name	Domain Name	Certificate Type	Description	Certificate Expires At	Status/Application Progress	Enterprise Project	Operation
scm-be-09	x.com Single domain	GeoTrust (1 year) DV (Basic)	--	Dec 09, 2021 14:31:38 GMT+08:00	Issued Expires soon Application Progress	default	Renew Download More
scm-d-01	x.com Single domain	DigiCert (1 year) DV (Basic)	--	--	Pending domain name verification Application Progress	DBSS	Verify Domain Name Withdraw Application Add to Project

- Step 4** On the certificate renewal page, confirm the certificate information, including **Domain Type, Domain Quantity, Certificate Type, Certificate Authority, Validity Period, Enterprise Project, and Quantity**. In the lower right corner of the page, click **Next**.

If you have any questions about the pricing, click **Pricing details** in the lower left corner.

- Step 5** Confirm the order information and agree to the CCM statement by selecting **I have read and agree to the Cloud Certificate & Manager Statement**. Click **Pay**.
- Step 6** On the displayed page, select a payment method.

After the payment is complete, go back to the certificate list to view the purchased certificate.

In this case, the certificate is in the **Pending application**. To get it issued, submit a certificate application to the CA. The CA issues the certificate only after validating your renewal application.

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Follow-up Operations

1. Submit a certificate application to the CA.
For details, see [Submitting an SSL Certificate Application to the CA](#).

NOTICE

When you provide the certificate application information, ensure that the company name is the same as that of the original certificate. The company name cannot be changed when you renew an SSL certificate.


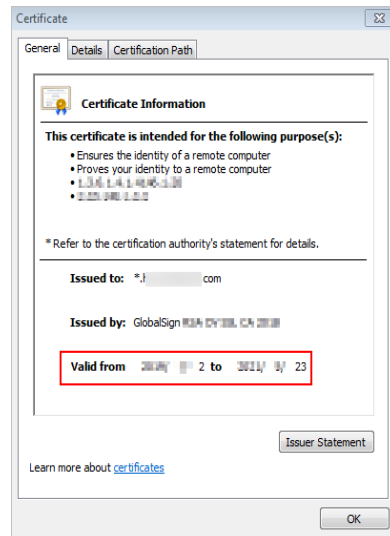
2. Verify the domain name ownership.
For details, see [Verify the Domain Ownership](#).
3. Verify the organization (required for OV and EV certificates only).
For more details, see [Verifying the Organization](#).
4. Issue the certificate.
It will take some time for the CA to review your information. The CA will issue the certificate only after they validate your information.
5. Install the certificate.
Install the issued certificate on your web server to replace the old certificate. The renewal certificate and the original certificate are two independent certificates. Once the renewed certificate is issued, you need to **install it on the web server or deploy it on the Huawei Cloud product** the original one is deployed. If you do not install the new certificate on the web server, your server cannot use the HTTPS service after the old certificate expires.
The procedure for installing an SSL certificate varies depending on the web server. The following describes how to install an SSL certificate on mainstream web servers.
 - [Installing an SSL Certificate on Tomcat](#)
 - [Installing an SSL Certificate on Nginx](#)
 - [Installing an SSL Certificate on Apache](#)
 - [Installing an SSL Certificate on IIS](#)
 - [Installing an SSL Certificate on WebLogic](#)
 - [Installing an SSL Certificate on Resin](#)
6. Check whether the new certificate is successfully installed.
After the new certificate is installed on the web server, check whether the certificate has been updated.
 - a. Visit your website using a web browser.
 - b. Click  in the address box of the browser and see if the validity period of the certificate has been updated.
If the validity period of the new certificate is displayed, the new certificate has taken effect.

Figure 5-2 Validity Period



5.3 Auto-Renewal

You can enable auto-renewal to let the system renew your certificate before it expires. The system automatically renews a certificate within 30 days before it expires.

Auto-Renewal Restrictions


- In the list view, only the last certificate in the subscription period can be automatically renewed. In the subscription view, you can click the auto-renewal button to renew the subscription period. The new certificate automatically adopts the original's auto-renewal status, and the auto-renewal function of the original certificate is disabled.
- To ensure automatic application of certificates, **do not cancel privacy authorization**. Once you revoke the authorization, the platform will no longer store your information. The contact name, phone number, email address, and organization details will be deleted.
- Only paid SSL certificates that have been purchased in Huawei Cloud SCM and are about to expire can be renewed. **Uploaded certificates, free certificates, and single-domain expansion packages** cannot be renewed.
- If auto-renewal is enabled for a certificate, the system automatically purchases a new certificate that has the same specifications with the original one 30 days before the original one expires and submits a certificate application using the application information of the original certificate. You still need to cooperate with the CA to complete domain name ownership and/or organization verification. The CA will not issue the certificate until they validate your domain name ownership and identity.
- The renewal certificate and the original certificate are two independent certificates. Once the renewed certificate is issued, you need to **install it on the web server or deploy it on the Huawei Cloud product** the original one is deployed.
- The new certificate validity period is the renewal validity period (for example, 200 days) plus the remaining validity period of the original certificate. For

example, if you have issued a 200-day certificate that will expire on October 1, 2026, and you renew and issue the certificate on September 25, 2026, the validity period of the renewed certificate will be five days plus April 17, 2027, that is, April 22, 2027.

NOTICE

- CCM starts a renewal of a DigiCert DV (basic) wildcard-domain certificate **15 calendar days** before the certificate expires.
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Procedure

- Step 1** Log in to the [CCM console](#).
- Step 2** In the navigation pane on the left, choose **SSL Certificate Manager > SSL Certificates**.
- Step 3** In the row containing the certificate you want to renew, click .
- Step 4** After confirming that the entered information is correct, read through the *Cloud Certificate & Manager Statement*, *Privacy Statement*, the authorization statement, and check the box to agree to the disclaimer and statements.
- Step 5** Click **OK**. If Auto-renewal enabled is displayed in the upper part of the page, the auto-renewal function is enabled successfully.


After automatic renewal is enabled, check the email notification for verification. After receiving the email, complete the verification operations in [Follow-up Operations](#) within 3 to 10 working days before the old certificate expires.

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Follow-up Operations

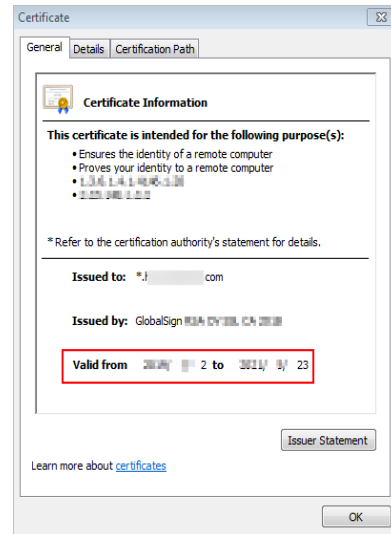
1. Verify the domain name ownership.
You must complete domain name verification to prove your ownership of the associated domain name. For details, see [Verifying the Domain Name Ownership](#).
2. Verify the organization (required for OV and EV certificates only).
The CA validates the organization used to submit the certificate application. For details, see [Verifying the Organization](#).
3. Issue the certificate.
It will take some time for the CA to review your information. The CA will issue the certificate only after they validate your information.
4. Install the certificate.
Install the renewed certificate on your web server or deploy it on Huawei Cloud products to replace the old certificate that is about to expire. For details, see [Installing an SSL Certificate](#).
5. Check whether the new certificate is successfully installed.

After the new certificate is installed on the web server, check whether the certificate has been updated.

- a. Visit your website using a web browser.
- b. Click  in the address box of the browser to check whether the validity period of the certificate has been updated.

If the validity period of the new certificate is displayed, the new certificate has taken effect.

Figure 5-3 Validity period



6 Bills

You can view bills in the **Billing Center** to learn about the usage and billing details of the resource in a certain period.

Bill Reporting Period

- After a one-time charge is paid, a bill is reported to the billing system in real time for settlement.
- The usage of pay-per-use resources is reported to the billing system at a fixed interval for settlement. A pay-per-use resource is billed by the hour, day, or month, depending on the resource's usage type. In CCM, the bills for private certificate management are settled by the hour.

You are not charged immediately after a billing record is generated. For example, if a private certificate (which is billed on an hourly basis) is disabled at 08:30, your expenditures for the hour from 08:00 to 09:00 will not likely be billed until about 10:00. On the **Billing Center > Billing > Transactions and Detailed Bills > Transaction Bills** page, **Expenditure Time** indicates the time when a pay-per-use product is used.


- Transaction records for yearly/monthly subscriptions are generated immediately after the subscriptions are paid for.

Viewing Bills of a Specific Resource

Step 1 Log in to the [CCM console](#).

Step 2 In the upper right corner of the page, choose **Billing > Bills**.

Step 3 In the navigation tree on the left, choose **Billing > Expenditure Details**.

Step 4 In the **Display Options** area, click , select **Resource Type**. Then, select **Cloud Certificate & Manager (CCM)** in the **Service Type** column or select **Private CA Quantity** in the **Resource Type** column. The system displays the bills of the service.

By default, expenditure details are displayed by usage and the statistical period is a billing cycle. You can also set other statistical dimensions and periods.

 **NOTE**

On the **Billing Center** > **Orders** > **My Orders** page, you can view completed orders.

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7 About Arrears

If there is not a sufficient account balance to pay for your bill and there is no other payment method configured, your account will go into arrears. If your account is in arrears, the service cannot work. You need to top up your account in a timely manner.

Arrears Reason

You have purchased a private CA or private certificates using pay-per-use billing mode. However, your account balance cannot cover the fees for them.

NOTE

Currently, pay-per-use private CAs can be purchased by calling APIs only.

Impact of Arrears

- One-time payment

There is no impact on the SSL certificates you have purchased as you have paid for a one-time fee for them. However, you will not be able to perform other operations that may incur fees, such as auto-renewal.

- Yearly/Monthly billing

There is no impact on the SSL certificates you have purchased as you have paid for a one-time fee for them. However, you cannot perform other operations that may generate fees, such as purchasing a private CA, and renewing an order.

- Pay-per-use billing

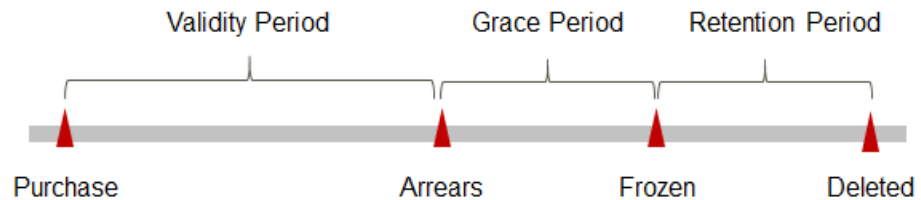
If your account is insufficient to pay your amount due, your account goes into arrears. However, your pay-per-use resources will not be stopped immediately. There will be a grace period. You need to pay the pay-per-use resource fees incurred during the grace period. To view the fees, go to the **Billing Center > Overview** page. The system will charge the fees after you top up your account.

NOTE

Currently, pay-per-use private CAs can be purchased by calling APIs only.

If your account is still in arrears after the grace period ends, the resources enter the retention period and their status turns to **Frozen**. You cannot perform any operations on pay-per-use resources in the retention period. If your account is still in arrears after the retention period ends, the created private CAs and private certificates will be deleted and cannot be restored.

Figure 7-1 Lifecycle of a pay-per-use private CA or certificate



NOTE

Huawei Cloud offers a 15-day grace period and a 15-day retention period.

Avoiding and Handling Arrears

Top up in time if your account is in arrears.

You can delete private CAs and certificates that are no longer used to avoid unexpected expenditures.

Configure the **Balance Alert** function on the **Billing Center > Overview** page. When the total amount of the available quota, general cash coupons, and cash coupons is lower than the threshold, the system automatically notifies you by SMS or email.

If your account is in arrears, top up your account in a timely manner.

8 Billing Termination

To prevent resource waste and unnecessary fees, you can stop billing for unused resources.

One-time Payment Resources

SSL certificates are one-time payment resources. You need to pay for them at a time when purchasing them. After an SSL certificate expires, it cannot be trusted anymore.

- The 7-day unconditional refund policy applies to SSL Certificates. So you can unsubscribe an SSL certificate if you no longer need it within 7 days after the purchase.

However, if a refund application is required, the application must be submitted no later than 7 calendar days (24 x 7 hours) after you place the order.

For more restrictions on unsubscription, see [Unsubscribing from an SSL Certificate](#).

- If you have enabled [auto-renewal](#) but no longer wish to automatically renew the subscription, disable it before the auto-renewal date (30 days before the certificate expiration date by default) to avoid unexpected expenditures.

Pay-per-Use Resources

In CCM, private certificates are billed on a pay-per-use basis. To terminate the billing of a private certificate, just delete it. The billing stops upon the deletion. To delete them, go to the CCM console and choose **Private Certificates** under **Private Certificate Management**. Then, locate the target certificate and click **Delete** in the **Operation** column.

For more details about private certificates, see [Deleting a Private Certificate](#).

Yearly/Monthly Resources

When you purchase a yearly/monthly resource, such as a yearly/monthly private CAs, you make a one-time up-front payment. By default, the billing automatically stops when the purchased subscription expires.

- You can unsubscribe from a yearly/monthly resource before the subscription expires. Fees for unused resources will be refunded to you based on refund conditions, including whether cash coupons or discount coupons are used. For details about unsubscription rules, see [Unsubscriptions](#).
- If you have enabled auto-renewal but no longer wish to automatically renew the subscription, disable it before the auto-renewal date (7 days before the expiration date by default) to avoid unexpected expenditures.

9 Cost Management

As you migrate more of your services to the cloud, managing cloud costs becomes more important. For example, you may be more concerned with cost management when using CCM. The following describes how to manage costs in terms of cost composition, allocation, analysis, and optimization. Optimizing costs can help you maximize return on investment.

Cost Composition

The costs of using CCM depend on the resources and resource packages, which depend on the billing items of cloud services. For details, see [Billing Items](#).

Huawei Cloud [Cost Center](#) helps you manage resource costs with ease. However, you need to identify, manage, and optimize O&M costs by yourself.

Cost Allocation

A good cost accountability system is the basis of cloud financial management. It ensures that departments, business teams, and owners are accountable for their respective cloud costs. Allocate costs to different teams or projects so that organizations have a clear picture of their respective costs.

Huawei Cloud [Cost Center](#) provides multiple tools for cost collection and reallocation.

- **Allocate costs by linked account.**

The enterprise master account can categorize the costs of its member accounts by linked account to manage the accounting of those member accounts. For details, see [Viewing Costs by Linked Account](#).

- **Allocate costs by enterprise project.**

Before allocating costs, enable Enterprise Project Management Service (EPS) and plan your enterprise projects based on your organizational structure or businesses. Select an enterprise project for a newly purchased cloud resource so that the costs of that resource will be allocated to the selected enterprise project. For details, see [Viewing Costs by Enterprise Project](#).

Figure 9-1 Enterprise project

Cost Analysis

To accurately control and optimize your costs, you need a clear understanding of what parts of your enterprise incurred different costs. Cost Center visualizes your original costs or amortized costs using various dimensions and display filters for cost analysis so that you can analyze the trends and drivers of your service usage and costs from a variety of perspectives or within different defined scopes.

You can also use **Cost Anomaly Detection** in Cost Center to detect unexpected expenses in a timely manner. In this way, costs can be monitored, analyzed, and traced.

For details, see [Performing Cost Analysis to Explore Costs and Usage](#) and [Enabling Cost Anomaly Detection to Identify Anomalies](#).

Cost Optimization

- **Cost control**

You can create different types of budgets on the **Budgets** page of Cost Center to track your costs against the budgeted amount you specified and send alerts to the recipients you configured if the thresholds you defined are reached. You can also create budget reports and we will periodically generate and send to the recipients you configured on a schedule you set.

Figure 9-2 Basic budget information

Specify Budget Name


Configure Budget Details

Reset Period Cost Center will reset your budgeting based on the reset period you select

Budget evaluation begins at 00:00 GMT+08:00 on the 1st day of the start month and will be reset to zero at 00:00 GMT+08:00 on the 1st day of each month moving forward

Budget Duration Cost Center will monitor your expenditures during the budget duration you select

Start Time Cost Center will begin to monitor your budget on the start date you select



Allocation

Budgeted Amount (USD)

Last month's cost: \$63.04 USD

Figure 9-3 Budget scope

Enterprise Project

All

Service Type Clear Include 1

Cloud Certificate & Manager (CCM) X

Linked Account

All

Usage Type ?

All

Billing Mode Clear Include 1

Pay-per-Use X

Region

All

AZ

All

PayerAccount Name

All

Specifications

All

Figure 9-4 Alert thresholds

(Optional) Alert Thresholds

Thresholds Actual > (%) of budgeted amount Alerts are sent when the actual cost is higher than 80% (\$1,600.00) of the forecasted cost.

[Add threshold](#)

Recipients recipient (Email) (SMS)

[Select From Contacts](#)

For details, see [Enabling Forecasting and Creating Budgets to Track Cost and Usage](#).

- **Resource optimization**

You can identify resources with high costs based on the results of **Cost Center** and take optimization measures accordingly.

Beyond that, you can detect idle resources to avoid waste. For example, a certificate has been purchased but not applied for, or has been issued but not used.

10 Billing FAQs

10.1 How Is an SSL Certificate Billed?

SCM provides you with free single-domain DV (basic) certificates issued by DigiCert. For details, see [How Can I Apply for a Free SSL Certificate?](#)

If you choose other SSL certificates, you will be billed based on the certificate type, certificate brand, domain name type, domain name quantity, and required duration.

For details, see [Product Pricing Details](#).

You can upload external SSL certificates to SCM to manage all of your certificate in one place for free.

10.2 Can I Renew an SSL Certificate?

Yes.

An expired SSL certificate cannot enable HTTPS-encrypted communication. To avoid this, renew the certificate before it expires.

For details, see [Renewing an SSL Certificate](#).

Restrictions

- The manual renewal entry is available only for **30 calendar days** before an SSL certificate expires.
- Only paid SSL certificates that have been purchased in Huawei Cloud SCM and are about to expire can be renewed. Uploaded certificates, free certificates, and single-domain expansion packages cannot be renewed.
- Manually renewing an SSL certificate is to purchase a new certificate with the exactly same configurations as the original one. The configurations include the certificate authority, certificate type, domain type, domain quantity, and primary domain name.
- If auto-renewal is enabled for a certificate, the system automatically purchases a new certificate that has the same specifications with the original

one 30 days before the original one expires and submits a certificate application using the application information of the original certificate. You still need to cooperate with the CA to complete domain name ownership and/or organization verification. The CA will not issue the certificate until they validate your domain name ownership and identity.

- The renewal certificate and the original certificate are two independent certificates. Once the renewed certificate is issued, you need to **install it on the web server or deploy it on the Huawei Cloud product** the original one is deployed.
- The new certificate validity period is the renewal validity period plus the remaining validity period of the original certificate.

NOTICE

- The entry for renewing a DigiCert DV (basic) wildcard-domain certificate is available only within **15 calendar days** before the certificate expires.
 - If you renew an SSL certificate on the certificate renewal page, and the certificate authority, certificate type, domain type, domain quantity, and/or primary domain name of the new certificate are different from those of the original certificate, the new certificate **cannot automatically inherit** the remaining validity period (if any) of the original certificate. So, the validity period of the new certificate is 200 days.
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10.3 Can I Unsubscribe from an SSL Certificate?

The 7-day unconditional refund policy applies to SCM.

Constraints

- You can request a refund for an SSL certificate order that meets all of the following conditions:
 - You have purchased an SSL certificate on the SCM console.
 - Your refund request cannot be later than 7 natural days (or 7x24 hours) after your pay for the order.

For example, if you pay for an SSL certificate at 12:00 on December 1, you can unsubscribe from it before 11:59 on December 8. After 11:59 on December 8, you cannot unsubscribe from it.

CAUTION

No refunds are allowed 7 days after the purchase.

- The purchased SSL certificate must meet one of the following conditions:
 - The certificate application is not submitted. The certificate status is **Pending application**.
 - The certificate application has been submitted but has been canceled before it is issued. The certificate status is **Pending application**.

- The certificate has been issued, and the certificate revocation process has been completed within seven days after the order is placed. The certificate status is **Revoked**.
- The full refund indicates the fees you paid for the SSL certificate.

CAUTION

Only the fees you paid for purchasing or renewing SSL certificates or related service orders can be refunded. Vouchers or discount coupons you used cannot be refunded.

Procedure

- Step 1** Log in to the [CCM console](#).
- Step 2** In the navigation pane on the left, choose **SSL Certificate Manager > SSL Certificates**.
- Step 3** In the row containing the desired certificate, click **Unsubscribe** in the **Operation** column. [Figure 10-1](#) shows an example.

Figure 10-1 Unsubscribing

Certificate Name	Domain Name	Certificate Type	Description	Certificate Expires At	Status/Application Progress	Operation
scm-4	Single domain	GeoTrust (1 year) DV (Basic)	--	--	Pending application Application Progress	Apply for Certificate Unsubscribe
scm-5	www. Single domain	GeoTrust (1 year) DV (Basic)	123	--	Pending application Application Progress	Apply for Certificate
16	.com	(1 year)	--	Apr 27, 2019 20:00:00 GMT+08:00	Hosted Expired	Download Push Delete

- Step 4** On the **Confirm Unsubscription** page, confirm the certificate information. If the information is correct, select **I acknowledge that the certificate will be deleted and cannot be restored after the unsubscription**.
- Step 5** In the lower right corner of the page, click **Unsubscribe**.

NOTICE

- Unsubscribed certificates will be deleted and cannot be recovered. Exercise caution when performing this operation.
- The system will review your unsubscription. After the unsubscription is approved, the certificate will not be displayed in the certificate list. During the review period, do not perform any operation on the SSL certificate. Otherwise, the approval fails.

Certificate unsubscribed. is displayed in the upper right corner of the page. The refund will be credited to the original payment account.

You can choose **Billing Center > Orders > My Orders** to view the unsubscription record.

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10.4 How Is PCA in CCM Billed?

Private CAs are billed on a pay-per-use or yearly/monthly basis, and private certificates are billed on a pay-per-use basis. In the pay-per-use billing method, you pay for private CAs and private certificates you have. In the yearly/monthly billing method, you are charged based on the required duration of your private CAs. The pricing details are displayed on the purchase page.

NOTICE

Currently, pay-per-use private CAs can be purchased by calling APIs only.

How Do I Stop the Billing for a Private CA or Certificate?

Private CAs and private certificates are billed on a pay-per-use basis. A root CA is billed from the moment it is created. Subordinate CAs are not billed until they are activated.

To stop billing for a private CA or certificate, delete it.

CAUTION

- Disabled private CAs will also be billed.
- If you delete a private CA, it takes a few days for the deletion to take effect. It takes at least 7 days for a scheduled deletion to take effect (depending on the delay time you configured). During the scheduled deletion period, you will be billed in accordance with the following rules:
 - If you have not canceled the scheduled deletion and the private CA is deleted, the private CA is not billed for this period.
 - If you cancel the scheduled deletion but the private CA is not deleted during this period, the private CA is still billed for this period.

For example, if you delete a private CA at 00:00 on January 1, 2022 and the private CA is deleted seven days later as scheduled, you will not be billed for the seven days. If you cancel the scheduled deletion at 00:00 on January 4, 2022 and the private CA is not deleted, you will still be billed for the CA for the period from 00:00 on January 1, 2022 to 00:00 on January 4, 2022.
