

Software Assurance Windows Optimized Desktop Benefits

Lower costs, reduce risks, stay connected

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Available exclusively to Software Assurance customers, Windows Vista Enterprise is a premium operating system optimized for medium-sized and large organizations.



Windows Vista Enterprise

Windows Vista® Enterprise is the premium edition of Windows Vista for business that helps global organizations with complex IT infrastructures lower IT costs, reduce risk, and stay connected. It includes all the features in Windows Vista Business plus extended capabilities that help reduce the cost and complexity of deploying and managing corporate computers. In addition, Windows Vista Enterprise provides easier application management, improved standardization for global operations, and higher levels of data protection for a growing, mobile workforce. Ultimately, it helps your people find and use information better and faster.

Streamline Effectiveness

Windows Vista Enterprise dramatically improves company-wide application compatibility, streamlines the creation, deployment, and management of multiple desktop configurations, and supports mobile workforces while protecting corporate data. Beyond the security and compliance, infrastructure optimization, productivity, and mobility features included in Windows Vista Business, Windows Vista Enterprise goes further by offering distinct business value. It helps businesses protect data with Windows BitLocker™ Drive Encryption, a feature that is linked with Active Directory, to ensure easier recovery and a more transparent solution for the end-user.

Migration and Integration

Taking advantage of the latest technology and improved security can mean migrating to the latest operating system, but some legacy applications are not compatible, and can create significant migration concerns for IT workers. Windows Vista Enterprise helps make migration seamless, allowing organizations to utilize the latest desktop platform while cost-effectively using legacy applications. Windows Vista Enterprise also provides improved application compatibility with the rights to four Virtual Operating Systems and Subsystem for UNIX-based Applications (SUA), easing integration between Windows and UNIX/Linux environments and helping users leverage their in-house UNIX skills and overcome the challenges of moving their workloads to the Windows platform.

Worldwide Deployment

Windows Vista Enterprise provides Multilingual User Interface (MUI) language packs for worldwide deployment, enabling IT workers to configure a single worldwide image across 36 user interface languages. This helps reduce the cost and complexity of the IT infrastructure. With MUI language packs, end-users can also switch the Windows® user interface between multiple languages on a single PC. In addition, Windows Vista Enterprise Centralized Desktop (VECD), a subscription within Software Assurance, provides flexible licensing for virtualized desktop infrastructures (VDI) or hosted desktop architectures. Learn more at www.windowsvista.com/vecd/.

Use Windows Vista Enterprise to help your organization:

- Protect sensitive data
- Improve legacy application compatibility
- Simplify IT deployment and management

Microsoft Desktop Optimization Pack

The Microsoft Desktop Optimization Pack (MDOP) for Software Assurance is a dynamic desktop solution designed to increase Windows desktop manageability and reduce system complexity. An add-on subscription license available exclusively to Software Assurance customers, MDOP offers tools that help reduce the total cost of ownership (TCO) of your Windows desktop by accelerating operating system and application management, and enhancing IT responsiveness and user uptime.

Use the Microsoft Desktop Optimization Pack to help your organization:

- Take control of the desktop
- Accelerate desktop deployment, management, and responsiveness
- Transform software into centrally-managed services

Learn more about Microsoft Desktop Optimization Pack for Software Assurance at www.windowsvista.com/optimizeddesktop.

Use the Enterprise Source Licensing Program to help your organization:

- Facilitate security and privacy audits
- Better maintain your computing environment
- Enhance the pre-deployment engineering process

The technologies included in the Microsoft Desktop Optimization Pack are:

- **Microsoft Application Virtualization** Deploy software applications that are never installed and never require regression testing, yet are always available on-demand. Windows applications are turned into centrally-managed services that are delivered to any desktop or laptop client worldwide.
- **Microsoft Asset Inventory Service** Reduce application management lifecycle TCO through advanced software inventory scanning and by translating inventory data for more than 430,000 titles into useful information available on-demand. Easily administered as a hosted service.
- **Microsoft Advance Group Policy Management** Help IT take control of the desktop through effective change-management, versioning and roll-backs via GPOs, and a robust role-based administration and delegation model.
- **Microsoft Diagnostics and Recovery Toolset** Repair unbootable or locked-out systems, restore lost data, remove malware from infected systems while the system is safely offline using existing antivirus software, and diagnose system and network issues.
- **Microsoft System Center Desktop Error Monitoring** Manage application and system component crashes and live PC problems with scalable, agentless crash monitoring technology that identifies the impact, probable cause, and resolution for failures—making desktops more stable and reliable.
- **Microsoft Enterprise Desktop Virtualization** Enhances deployment and management of Virtual PC images on a Windows Desktop while also providing a seamless user experience on a Virtual PC environment independent of the local desktop configuration and operating system.

Enterprise Source Licensing Program

The Enterprise Source Licensing Program (ESLP) benefit allows eligible customers with 1,500 or more licensed desktops to access Microsoft Windows source code for internal development and support. Check with your Microsoft representative for eligibility and areas of availability.

To find out more about what Software Assurance can do for you, go to www.microsoft.com/licensing/sa.

Software Assurance benefits support organizational performance across the software lifecycle and its stages.



SOFTWARE STAGE	SOFTWARE ASSURANCE BENEFIT
PLAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEW VERSION RIGHTS • STEP-UP LICENSE AVAILABILITY • SPREAD PAYMENTS
DEPLOY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PACKAGED SERVICES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – DESKTOP DEPLOYMENT PLANNING SERVICES – SHAREPOINT® DEPLOYMENT PLANNING SERVICES – EXCHANGE DEPLOYMENT PLANNING SERVICES – BUSINESS VALUE PLANNING SERVICES
USE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WINDOWS VISTA ENTERPRISE • MICROSOFT DESKTOP OPTIMIZATION PACK • ENTERPRISE SOURCE LICENSING PROGRAM
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TRAINING VOUCHERS • E-LEARNING
MAINTAIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HOME USE PROGRAM • MICROSOFT OFFICE MULTI-LANGUAGE PACK (MLP) • EMPLOYEE PURCHASE PROGRAM
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24X7 PROBLEM RESOLUTION SUPPORT • TECHNET BENEFITS THROUGH SOFTWARE ASSURANCE • COLD BACKUPS FOR DISASTER RECOVERY
TRANSITION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EXTENDED HOTFIX SUPPORT • WINDOWS FUNDAMENTALS FOR LEGACY PCs

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