Microsoft

Software Assurance

Private Cloud, Management & Virtualization Deployment Planning Services

Get the most out of your IT investment with Private Cloud, Management and Virtualization Deployment Planning Services (PVDPS)—structured consulting engagements with Microsoft Services or qualified Microsoft partners. Leverage Software Assurance vouchers for custom deployment plans and upgrade your IT infrastructure.

Important: Software Assurance Deployment Planning Services are being retired. Starting February 2021, planning days will no longer be accrued for any agreement. You can use your planning services days for engagements until January 1, 2022. See Microsoft Planning Services for more information.

Plan your deployment with PVDPS

Available at no additional charge for Microsoft Software Assurance customers, PVDPS allows you to get the expert guidance you need to modernize your Windows Server platform for increased IT efficiency and agility in engagements of 5, 10, or 15 days.

- **Modernizing your Windows Server Platform**. Receive a migration analysis and plan to modernize your Windows Server platform—an important first step in enabling you to increase IT efficiency and agility.

Choose the offering engagement for your business

As a Software Assurance customer, you are entitled to Planning Service days, which can be redeemed for deployment planning engagements with Microsoft Services or qualified Microsoft partners. The number of Planning Services days you are eligible for depends on the type and number of Software Assurance licenses you have. Planning Services days are pooled and can be used on any of the engagement offerings.

Learn what Software Assurance benefits can do for you:

- Identify ways to optimize your IT infrastructure
- Streamline deployments
- Modernize your IT infrastructure

Using Planning Services days

Available in engagements of 1, 3, 5, 10, or 15 days for (PVDPS is 5, 10, or 15 days), Planning Services offer a structured yet collaborative consulting experience. The longer engagements allow for a deeper look at specific technologies and provide more in-depth analysis and deployment planning. Your qualified partner can work with you to determine specific components to support your organization's needs and help ensure you have an understanding of what can and will be included in your engagement.

As a Microsoft Volume Licensing customer with Software Assurance, your organization receives a number of Planning Services days based on your licensing agreement(s). Find out how many Planning Services days your organization is eligible for by going to the Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center (VLSC), or if your organization has a Microsoft Products and Services Agreement (MPSA) go to the Microsoft Business Center (previously named the Microsoft Volume Licensing Center).

- Download the VLSC Software Assurance Guide for detailed, step-by-step instructions for accessing and using Planning Services.
- Microsoft Products and Services Agreement (MPSA) customers go to the Microsoft Business Center.
- Search partner listings to find a qualified solution provider or check with your Microsoft representative.

Planning Services has six offerings available to help you plan your deployment of Microsoft technologies: Desktop; Dynamics; Skype for Business and Exchange; Private Cloud, Management and Virtualization; SharePoint; and SQL Server Deployment Planning Services.

Learn more

- Visit Software Assurance to learn more about Planning Services and other Software Assurance benefits.
- Your organization's Software Assurance administrator can visit the Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center or Microsoft Business Center (MPSA customers) to help you identify your current Software Assurance benefits.
- For detailed eligibility criteria and current benefit program rules, see the Microsoft Product Terms.