



Software Assurance

SharePoint Deployment Planning Services

SharePoint Deployment Planning Services provide structured consulting engagements, delivered by Microsoft qualified partners, to help you explore deployment or upgrade options, reduce uncertainty, and plan your move to SharePoint Server 2013 or SharePoint Online.

Plan your SharePoint deployment

A benefit for Microsoft Volume Licensing Software Assurance customers, SharePoint Deployment Planning Services (SDPS) can help you plan a successful deployment of Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013 or SharePoint Online. SharePoint 2013 redefines collaboration and document management, representing a new way to work together. Planning Services are structured engagements that can be tailored to meet the unique needs of your organization. With the expertise of a qualified Planning Services partner or Microsoft Services, SDPS introduces advanced techniques, processes, and tools to help you plan your deployment, migration, or upgrade to SharePoint 2013.

Choose the engagement that's right for you

SharePoint Deployment Planning Services structured planning engagements help you develop a deployment, upgrade, or migration plan to SharePoint 2013 or SharePoint Online.

- **SharePoint Deployment Planning**
Work with a qualified expert to create a customized and structured engagement designed to showcase how SharePoint can help your organization share, organize, discover, build, and manage information, content, applications, sites, and even skills and expertise. Optimized for the latest version of SharePoint but flexible enough to meet your organization's needs, engagements are available in lengths of 1, 3, 5, 10, or 15 days and are designed to help you discover what is new with the platform, understand how to apply the capabilities, develop a logical architecture, and create a roadmap to deployment. Engagement topics may include capabilities for IT Pros and business users, SharePoint Search, Business Intelligence, applications, information architecture, topology planning, or migration planning.
- **FastTrack Deployment Planning for Microsoft 365**
Envision a Microsoft 365 solution where a qualified partner can guide you through discovering how the capabilities of Microsoft 365 can help you to achieve your business objectives. Planning engagements are available in sessions of 1, 3, 5, 10, and 15 days, with recommended guidance and clearly defined next steps.
- **Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Solution Planning**
This 5-day engagement will guide your team through an envisioning and deployment planning process to roll out Project Server or Project Online in your organization.
- **Microsoft 365 Business Applications**
Help your customers achieve digital transformation with their modern infrastructure. Deliver a workshop solution, assessing what the customer needs to modernize their legacy systems, and bring intelligence, content, and process together. Create a plan to bring SharePoint, PowerApps, and Flow together in their business.

SDPS can help you:

- ✓ Gain a comprehensive introduction to SharePoint
- ✓ Develop a deployment plan for SharePoint capabilities and features
- ✓ Understand upgrade processes and develop a migration plan
- ✓ Explore SharePoint Online through Microsoft 365
- ✓ Create an enterprise social strategy with Yammer

Sample 5-day engagement:

- **Day 0** Customer completes pre-engagement questionnaire
- **Day 1** Consultant explains benefits of the most recent release of SharePoint
- **Day 2-3** Consultant interviews customer experts
- **Day 4** Consultant compiles findings from interviews
- **Day 5** Consultant presents final deployment plan

The cloud on your terms

Cloud computing may be on your immediate horizon or in the future. Whether you are planning to move fully online or take one step at a time, your Planning Services partner can help you learn more about the possibilities and practical realities of deploying Microsoft 365. With the FastTrack Deployment Planning for Microsoft 365 engagements, your partner can help you assess enterprise features of Microsoft 365, determine your organization's readiness, and help you design a migration plan that meets your needs.

Using Planning Services days

Available in engagements of 1, 3, 5, 10, or 15 days, Planning Services offer a structured yet collaborative consulting experience. The longer engagements allow for a deeper look at a specific technology and provide more in-depth analysis and deployment planning. Your qualified partner can work with you to help determine specific components to best 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). You can access these days through a voucher creation and redemption process at 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).

- See the [VLSC Software Assurance Guide](#) for detailed, step-by-step instructions for accessing and using Planning Services, or view the [Managing Software Assurance Benefits video](#) for a visual demonstration.
- MPSA customers use the [Microsoft Business Center](#).
- Find a [qualified solution provider](#) who meets your criteria.

Planning Services has eight offerings available to help you plan your deployment of Microsoft technologies: Public Cloud, Microsoft Azure Planning Services (AZDPS); Desktop Deployment Planning Services (DDPS); Developer Tools Deployment Planning Services (DTDPS); Dynamics Deployment Planning Services (DYDPS); Private Cloud, Management and Virtualization Planning Services (PVDPS); SharePoint Deployment Planning Services (SDPS); Skype for Business and Exchange Deployment Planning Services (S&EDPS); and SQL Server Deployment Planning Services (SSDPS).

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.
- To estimate benefits, use the [Microsoft License Advisor](#) or ask your Microsoft representative for guidance.
- For detailed eligibility criteria and current benefit program rules, see the [Microsoft Product Terms](#).

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