

Server OS and Hypervisor Technologies		April 2025											Reference	Notes	
Server	Operating System (OS)	OS Version	Release	Current Classification	N, N-1	General Availability	Projected	Approved	Divest: Plan	Divest: Execution	Prohibited	Vendor End of Support	Reference	Notes	
X86 or equivalent	Microsoft Windows Server (R2)	2025		Approved	N	11/1/2024	1/1/2025	11/1/2025						Remains in preview as of November update. New releases occur 3 year +/- apart. Rules: Approved = GA month plus (+) 1 year; Divest: Planned = Divest-Execute minus (-) 1 year; Divest: Execute = Prohibited minus (-) 1 year; Prohibited = Extended support end month minus (-) 3 years	
		2022		Approved	N-1	8/18/2021		9/1/2022	9/1/2026	9/1/2027	9/1/2028	10/14/2031	URL https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/products/windows-server-2022	Windows Server 2022 follows the Fixed Lifecycle Policy for the following editions: Datacenter, Datacenter: Azure Edition, Essentials, Standard. https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/policies/extended Support typically follows a 10 year lifecycle: 1) First 5 years mainstream; 2) Years 6 thru 10 extended. Security patching occurs in both mainstream and extended cycles. There is one year between GA and COV availability.	
		2019		Divest: Execution	N-2	11/13/2018			9/1/2023	2/1/2025	2/1/2026		1/9/2029	URL https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/products/windows-server-2019	
		2016		Prohibited		10/12/2016				9/1/2023	9/1/2024		1/12/2027	URL https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/products/windows-server-2016	
		2012 & earlier		Prohibited											
	Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL)	10.x			Projected			6/1/2025 Estimate Only							EA Direction: Continue to migrate to most recent branch, and to patch - patching also upgrades to the latest/greatest release (8.1, 8.2, etc.) within a branch (8 and 9). Note: Red Hat does not generally disclose future release schedules.
		9.x	Current		Approved	N	5/17/2022		6/1/2022	6/1/2031	6/1/2032	6/1/2033	6/1/2037	URL https://access.redhat.com/articles/3078	Rules: Approved = Branch GA + 6 months; Divest: Planned = Divest-Execute - 1 year; Divest: Execute = Prohibited - 1 year; Prohibited = VEOS - 4 years
		8.x	Current		Approved	N-1	5/17/2019		11/17/2019	6/1/2028	6/1/2029	6/1/2030	6/1/2034	URL https://access.redhat.com/articles/3078	There are currently three supported branches for RHEL (9.x, 8.x and 7.x). Red Hat is following a 6 month minor release schedule. Extended Update Support does provide security patches at their discretion.
		7.x & Previous			Prohibited										
	Oracle Linux	10.x			Projected			6/30/2025 Estimate Only							
		9.x			Approved	N	6/30/2022		6/30/2023	6/30/2028	6/30/2029	6/30/2030	6/30/2032	http://www.oracle.com/us/support/library/lifetime-support-hardware-301321.pdf (Effective Oct-5-2023)	Rules: Approved = GA plus (+) 1 year; Prohibited = EOL minus (-) 2 years; Divest: Plan = Prohibited minus (-) 2 years; Execution = Prohibited minus (-) 1 year.
		8.x			Approved	N-1	7/1/2019		7/1/2020	7/1/2025	7/1/2026	7/1/2027	7/1/2029	http://www.oracle.com/us/support/library/lifetime-support-hardware-301321.pdf (Effective Oct-5-2023)	Oracle Premier Support provides a minimum ten-year support period and for selected releases, Oracle may extend the technical support period by offering an additional three years of Extended Support and/or indefinite Sustaining Support. For selected products, Oracle may offer Sustaining Support for an indefinite period. Sustaining Support applies after Extended Support expires or should you not purchase Extended Support, immediately after Premier expires. Because this extended support possibility cannot be predicted or counted upon, support beyond 10 years is therefore considered "Prohibited" at this time. https://www.oracle.com/us/support/library/lifetime-support-hardware-301321.pdf
		7.x & Previous			Prohibited										
	All other	All			Prohibited										
	SPARC (or equivalent)	Oracle Solaris/SunOS	11.x & previous		Prohibited									URL http://www.oracle.com/us/support/library/lifetime-support-hardware-301321.pdf (page 40)	
All other		All		Prohibited											
HP HP9000/ Integrity (Itanium)	HP-UX	All	v3	Prohibited											
IBM Power series: (Power 9)	AIX	7.3	TL3	Approved	N	12/1/2024		12/1/2025					URL https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/product-lifecycle-list	IBM AIX follows a 1 year version lifecycle with support of 3 years per version. (Previous version used a 4 year lifecycle)	
			TL2	Approved	N-1	11/1/2023		5/1/2024	5/30/2025	11/30/2025	5/30/2026	11/30/2026	URL https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/aix-support-lifecycle-information	Rules: Approved = GA + 6 months; Prohibited - EOL - 6 months; Execution = Prohibited - 6 months; Plan = Prohibited - 12 months	
			TL1	Divest - Execution	N-2	12/2/2022		6/2/2023	6/30/2024	12/31/2024	6/30/2025	12/31/2025	URL https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/aix-support-lifecycle-information	IBM Software Lifecycle Support Policies: https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/node/718165	
			TL0	Prohibited		12/10/2021				12/31/2023	6/30/2024	12/31/2024			
		7.2 & previous	TL5	Prohibited											
IBM mainframe	z/OS	3.1		Approved	N	9/29/2023		9/29/2024					URL https://www.ibm.com/support/home/pages/lifecycle/index.html	IBM z/OS generally follows a 2 year revision lifecycle with 5 years support per version, however as of November 2023 there is no 2.6.x version yet.	
		2.5.x		Divest: Plan	N-1	9/30/2021		9/30/2022	3/30/2025 Projected only	9/30/2025 Projected only	9/30/2026 Projected only	10/1/2026 Projected only	URL https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/zos250	Currently only has end of marketing data but not an end of service date: https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/announcements/zos25?region=CAN and https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/zos250	
		2.4.x & previous		Prohibited									URL https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/zos240	URL https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/zos240	
	All other mainframe OS	All		Prohibited											
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Prohibited	Prohibited
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End of Support	End of Support

Key Updates for April 2025:
Microsoft:
2025 set for Approval 11/1/2025
2019 set to Divest Execution

AIX
7.3 TL3 set for Approval 12/1/2025
7.1 TL1 set to Divest Execution

VMware
7.0 set to Divest Execution

* IBM mainframe is divested technology