

Guest OS Customization Support Matrix

The table below provides OS release support details for vCenter's Guest OS Customization feature. The VMC column details the support information for VMware Cloud on AWS and the remaining columns provide the support information for vSphere releases.

Support Considerations:

- The OS release must also be supported as a Guest OS by the ESXi host, which can be determined in the VMware Compatibility Guide.
- Unless stated otherwise, all OS editions and 32-bit/64-bit variants are supported.
- Unless specified otherwise, all SP, minor or maintenance versions are supported.

Key:

No = Not supported

Yes = Supported

Yes¹ = Supported from Update 1

Yes² = Supported from Update 2

Yes³ = Supported from Update 3

OS Release	VMC	vCenter Version				
		6.5	6.0	5.5	5.1	5.0
Windows Server 2016 (a)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ³	No	No
Windows Server 2012 R2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ²
Windows Server 2012	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ²
Windows Server 2008 R2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows Server 2008	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows Server 2003 R2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows Server 2003 (b)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows Server 2000	No	No	No	No	No	No
Windows 10	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ³	No	No
Windows 8.1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ²
Windows 8	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ²
Windows 7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows Vista	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Windows XP (b)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
RHEL Atomic Host 7.4 or later	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.x	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ²	Yes ³	No
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6.x	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5.x	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Ubuntu 9.10	No	No	No	No	No	No
Ubuntu 9.04	No	No	No	No	No	No
Ubuntu 8.10	No	No	No	No	No	No
Ubuntu 8.04 LTS	No	No	No	No	No	No

Support Notes:

- (a) Guest Customization of Nano Server is not supported.
- (b) vCenter 6.5 is the last release to support Guest Customization for Windows Server 2003 and Windows XP. However, ESXi 6.5 is not the last release to support running Windows Server 2003 and Windows XP. For more details on ESXi support of guest operating systems see the VMware Compatibility Guide.
- (c) Guest OS Customization of SLES does not support NetworkManager, requires use of Wicked.

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