

Software Assurance

Developer Tools Deployment Planning Services



Streamline your Visual Studio deployment with Developer Tools Deployment Planning Services (DTDPS)—structured consulting engagements to help you get the most from your IT investment.

Plan your Visual Studio deployment

As a Software Assurance customer, you may be eligible for Planning Services days you can use to plan your Team Foundation Server or Test Professional deployment. It's simple—activate your benefits, select a DTDPS partner or Microsoft Services to help build a custom deployment plan, and Microsoft pays for the engagement.

Choose the offering that's right for you

Use Developer Tools Deployment Planning Services to help you get started with Team Foundation Server, adopt or improve your agility, or implement a new test management solution.

▶ **Team Foundation Server Deployment Planning**

Looking to improve team collaboration and development processes? This assessment provides a detailed overview of the steps required for a successful deployment of Team Foundation Server.

▶ **Visual Studio Agile Deployment Assessment**

Time to become more agile? Find out how your team can develop an effective strategy for adopting or improving agility by implementing the Team Foundation Server agile planning tools.

▶ **Visual Studio Quality Tools Deployment Assessment**

Ready to adopt a modern quality assurance and testing platform? This assessment provides a plan to simplify and streamline your test planning and manual test execution processes by utilizing Team Foundation Server with Test Professional.

As part of creating a custom deployment plan, the consultant will review your organization's Application Lifecycle Management processes and recommend steps for improvement.

DTDPS can help you:

- ✓ Streamline deployment of Visual Studio Team Foundation Server and Quality Tools
- ✓ Improve collaboration across your development teams
- ✓ Get the most from your IT investment

Sample Agenda

- **Day 0** Customer completes Questionnaire
- **Day 1** Consultant explains benefits of Visual Studio
- **Day 2–3** Consultant interviews customer experts
- **Day 4** Consultant compiles findings from interviews
- **Day 5** Consultant presents final deployment plan

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Using Planning Services days

Available in 1, 3, 5, 10, or 15 day increments, Planning Services engagements offer a structured yet collaborative consulting experience. The longer engagements allow for a deeper look at a specific technology, provide more in-depth analysis and deployment planning, and in some cases additional assessment and deliverables. Some engagement options are designed to help you with a specific deployment planning element, such as a Proof of Concept. 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 via a straightforward voucher creation and redemption process at the [Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center \(VLSC\)](#). Simply select your engagement type, create a voucher, and assign it to your chosen Planning Services partner. When the engagement is complete, your Planning Services partner redeems the voucher and receives payment directly from Microsoft.

- ▶ See the [Software Assurance Quick Start Guide](#) for detailed, step-by-step instructions for accessing and using Planning Services, or view the [How to Manage Software Assurance Benefits video](#) for a visual demonstration.
- ▶ To locate a qualified partner, visit the [Planning Services Partner Directory](#) or check with your Microsoft representative.

Planning Services has seven offerings available to help you plan your deployment of Microsoft technologies: Desktop (Office/Office 365, and Windows); Developer Tools (Visual Studio); Lync and Exchange; Private Cloud, Management and Virtualization (Windows Server); Public Cloud, Windows Azure; SharePoint; and SQL Server Deployment Planning Services.

Learn More

- ▶ Visit [Software Assurance](#) to learn more about [Planning Services](#) and other Software Assurance benefits.
- ▶ Visit the [Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center](#) to review your organization's 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 List](#).

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