HP Software Network Center Management (NMC) 8.1x & 9.0x Obsolescence Announcement

Frequently Asked Questions

On January 1, 2013, HP announced the end of sale date and end of support dates for Network Management Center (NMC) 8.1x & 9.0x.

This document provides answers to frequently asked questions regarding this announcement.

Product related questions	
Question	When is HP discontinuing NMC 8.1x & 9.0x?
Answer	Effective January 1, 2013, HP is announcing the discontinuance of NMC 8.1x & 9.0x. Current customers may continue to purchase additional licenses of NMC 8.1x & 9.0x until March 1, 2013. As of this date, the product will be removed from HP's Corporate Price List and will no longer be orderable.
Question	Why is HP discontinuing NMC 8.1x & 9.0x?
Answer	Effective with the new release of NMC 9.2, HP is announcing the obsolescence of the older versions of NMC. This is in accordance with the HP Software Supported Version Policy 4.3. Definitions of terms are documented in the HP Software product version obsolescence guidelines.
Question	What product numbers are affected by this obsolescence?
Answer	Please refer to Appendix B in the customer letter for the list of affected product numbers.
Question	When is the last date I can order NMC 8.1x & 9.0x?
Answer	NMC 8.1x & 9.0x will continue to be available for purchase to current support customers through March 01, 2013. As of that date, you will no longer be able to purchase additional licenses of the product.
Question	Can I still purchase additional licenses for NMC 8.1x & 9.0x If yes, how?
Answer	Additional licenses may not be purchased for versions that are discontinued and past their end of sale date.
Question	Do I need to request new license keys when upgrading to NMC 9.2x?
Answer	No, you don't need new license keys for NMC 9.2.
Question	What version of NMC is currently available and what upgrade plans do you have for the product, if any?
Answer	The latest version is NMC 9.2. Please check the IT Management Products page or otherwise check with your local HP sales representative or HP software business partner for the latest information.

Question	Who can I contact if I have more questions with regards to this product discontinuance?
Answer	You have several options available to you: • Contact your local HP sales representative or your local HP software business partner: h20229.www2.hp.com/buy/index.html • Web Self Solve: hp.com/go/hpsoftwaresupport/ • HP Technical Support: hp.com/go/hpsoftwaresupport/casemanager/submitcase
Question	What are the hardware requirements to upgrade to NMC 9.2?
Answer	Hardware requirements will vary depending on your operating system, please review the appropriate System Requirements and Compatibility Matrix document or contact your local HP Sales Representative or HP Software Business Partner for further assistance.
Question	Where can I find upgrade information for NMC 8.1x & 9.0x?
Answer	Your local HP sales representative or HP Software Business Partner can help you get this information, alternatively please see the Customer Letter for further details.
Question	I plan to upgrade my NMC 8.1x & 9.0x environment using in-house technical resources. Where do I get all the required software?
Answer	All NMC 8.1x & 9.0x support customers can download NMC 9.2 media via 'My Updates'.
Question	What is the concurrent support time period
Answer	There will be 6 months of concurrent support for getting migrated to the NMC 9.2.

Support contract related questions	
Question	What is the end of support date?
Answer	The End of Support date for NMC 8.1x & 9.0x is March 31, 3015. As of this date all customer support activities for this version will cease, this includes: • Telephone support • Security Rule updates • Product upgrades
Question	Are there any other key dates I need to be aware of?
Answer	Please see Customer Letter page 1 for key dates.
Question	What are my discontinuance options?
Answer	Customers have the option to continue using NMC 8.1x & 9.0x. HP will stop providing support for NMC 8.1x & 9.0x on Marc h 31, 2015 Self-Help Support will continue to be available through March 31, 2017. Customers are encouraged to begin reviewing their business requirements for NMC 8.1x & 9.0x. Customers are also encouraged to contact their local HP Sales Representative or HP Software Business Partner for help in determining migration options that meet your business needs.
Question	Can I get a support contract for technical support only, without having to pay for upgrades?

Answer	No, support contracts include both technical support and software updates.
Question	Should there be a defect with a version of NMC 8.1x & 9.0x for which no defect fixing is done anymore, can I pay for a fix to be implemented on my request?
Answer	HP may choose to offer defect fixes at a premium price, depending on available resources.
Question	If I am on a support contract, what will I be entitled to?
Answer	You should have received a letter or electronic notification from HP to inform you about the availability of NMC 9.2 for support customers, what license(s) you were entitled to under your support contract and how to sign up for it. Your local HP Sales and Support Representatives or your HP Software Business Partner can help provide information and assistance to enable your upgrade to be easy and successful.
Question	When I upgrade from NMC 8.1x & 9.0x to NMC 9.2, can I continue my existing support contracts until they expire?
Answer	Yes, your support contract will be updated automatically at the next renewal time.
Question	When I upgrade from NMC 8.1x & 9.0x to NMC 9.2, can I expect the same support pricing compared to NMC 8.1x & 9.0x?
Answer	Not. Each necessarily product support price is determined independently.

Question	What migration services are available to help me upgrade*?*
Answer	Your local HP sales representative or HP software business partner can help you get this information.
Question	What educational training packages are available for the NMC 9.2*?*
Answer	Your local HP sales representative or HP software business partner can help you get this information.

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