

HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09

End of Sale Announcement

Frequently Asked Questions

On June 1, 2017, Hewlett Packard Enterprise announced the End of Sale for HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09. The End of Committed Support and End of Extended Support dates were previously communicated via **Software Support Online**.

Key program dates listed below for HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 are based on HPE's time-based support policy under which end-of-support dates are announced as new product versions are released. Our goal is to provide you with a clear visibility into the support time-line of software products, enabling you to use this information to plan, test, and deploy new product versions. For more information, check our **Software Support Policy**.

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

PRODUCT RELATED QUESTIONS

Question	When is HPE ending sales for HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09?	
Answer	Effective June 1, 2017, HPE is announcing the End of Sale of HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09. Current Customers may continue to purchase additional licenses of HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 until August 14, 2017. As of this date, the product will be removed from HPE's Corporate Price List and will no longer be orderable.	
Question	Why is HPE ending sales of HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09?	
Answer	Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) is announcing the replacement of HP branded media SKUs as part of the separation of HP Inc. and Hewlett Packard Enterprise. For customers with currently downloaded and installed media, there is no action required at this time. Please be aware that at the time of next support renewal, your support contract will reflect	

	the new HPE branded SKUs. Customers with active support contracts can update to the latest 2017.01 version of HPE Operations Bridge Suite.		
Question	What product numbers are affected by this End of Sales?		
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 HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09?		
Answer	HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09will continue to be available for purchase to currer support customers through August 14, 2017. As of that date, you will no longer be able to purchase additional license of the product version.		
Question	Can I still purchase additional licenses for HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09? If yes, how?		
Answer	Incremental licenses may be purchased using the ative license SKUs.		
Question	What version of HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 is currently available and what update plans do you have for the product, if any?		
Answer	The latest version is 2017.01. Please check hpe.com/software/home or otherwise check with your local HPE sale representative or HPE business partner for the latest information.		
Question	Who can I contact if I have more questions with regards to this product obsolescence?		
Answer	You have several options available to you: Contact your local HPE sales representative or your local HPE business partner: hpe.com/software/home Web Self Solve: hpe.com/software/support HPE Technical Support: hpe.com/software/support (click on Support Contact & Community → Contact Us → Phone)		
Question	What are the hardware requirements to update to HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2017.01?		
Answer	Hardware requirements will vary depending on your operating system, please review the appropriate System Requirements and Compatibility Matrix document or contact your local HPE sales representative or HPE business partner for further assistance.		
Question	Where can I find update information for HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09?		
Answer	Your local HPE sales representative or HPE business partner can help you get this information.		
Question	I plan to update my HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 environment using in-house technica resources. Where do I get all the required software?		
Answer	All HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 support customers can download HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2017.01 media at Hewlett Packard Enterprise Software Licenses and Downloads Portal		
Question	What is the concurrent support time period?		
Answer	The support dates for Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 are unchanged. Once the technical migration to HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2017.01 is started a concurrent support perod of 6 months is offered.		

SUPPORT CONTRACT RELATED QUESTIONS

Question	What is the End of Committed Support date?
Answer	The End of Committed Support date for HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 are listed in the table below. These dates were announced on <u>Software Support Online</u> on the End of Support Notification date listed on the table.

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Version	End of Committed Support Date	End of Support Notification Date
HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12	Dec 31, 2019	Jan 5, 2016
HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2016.05	Jun 30, 2020	Jun 7, 2016
HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2016.09	Oct 31, 2020	Oct 11, 2016

As of the End of Committed Support date, customer support activities for this version will cease, this includes:

- Security Rule updates
- Product updates

Question What is the End of Extended Support date?

Answer

The End of Extended Support date HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 are listed on the table below. These dates were announced on **Software Support Online** on the End of Support Notification date included in the table. During the 2 year Extended Support period, you have access to existing patches, fixes and telephone support.

	Version	End of Extended Support Date	End of Support Notification Date	
	HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12	Dec 31, 2021	Jan 5, 2016	
	HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2016.05	Jun 30, 2022	Jun 7, 2016	
	HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2016.09	Oct 31, 2022	Oct 11, 2016	
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 obsolescence options?			
Answer	You have the option to continue using HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09. HPE will stop providing committed support for HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 on the End of Committed Support dates included in this FAQ. Extended Support will continue to be available through the dates included in this FAQ. You are encouraged to begin reviewing your business requirements for HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09. You are also encouraged to contact your local HPE sales representative or HPE 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 updates?			
Answer	No, support contracts include both technical support and software updates.			
Question	Should there be a defect with a version of HP Operations Bridge Suite for which no defect fixing is done anymore, can I pay for a fix to be implemented on my request?			
Answer	HPE 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 HPE to inform you about the availability of HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2017.01 for support customers, what license(s) you were entitled to under your support contract and how to sign up for it. Your local HPE sales and support representatives or your HPE business partner can help provide information and assistance to enable your update to be easy and successful.			

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Question	When I update from HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 to HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2017.01, 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 update from HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09 to HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2017.01 can I expect the same support pricing compared to HP Operations Bridge Suite 2015.12, 2016.05, and 2016.09?	
Answer	Not necessarily. Each product support price is determined independently. Please work with your HPE representative to know the difference in support pricing, if any.	
Question	What migration services are available to help me update?	
Answer	Your local HPE sales representative or HPE business partner can help you get this information.	
Question	What educational/training packages are available for the HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2017.01?	
Answer	Your local HPE education specialist can help understand what training packages are available for you. Please email your local contact for more information:	
	Americas - HPE Education AMS	
	Asia Pacific - <u>HPE Education AP</u>	
	Japan - <u>HPE Education Japan</u>	
	Europe, Middle East and Africa - <u>HPE Education EMEA</u>	

For more information HPE Operations Bridge Suite 2017.01, and HPE services, contact any of our worldwide sales offices or visit our worldwide websites on the Internet at:

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