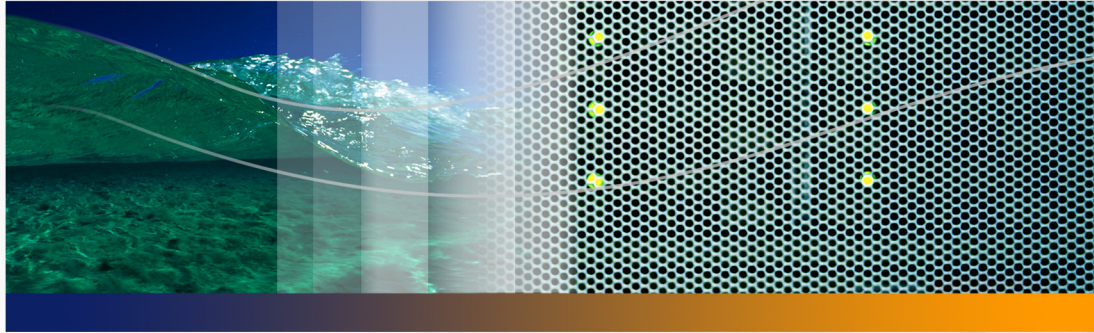


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Get-Services 4.2.4 Release Notes

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Note: Peregrine Systems has been acquired by HP and a complete transition to HP branding for the Get-It products is ongoing, but for this release of the Get-It products the Peregrine branding and product names have been retained.

These Release Notes contain an overview of new features, describe known issues with this release, and provide instructions to access information from other sources, such as the Peregrine Customer Support Web site. Before you begin, ensure that you have a valid Customer Support login ID and password.

The media shipped with this release contains a complete installation of the product, documentation, and language packs when applicable. Refer to the packing list included with your shipment for a complete description of the media provided.

Get-Services is part of the Peregrine Systems Employee Self-Service (ESS) suite of applications built on the Peregrine OAA platform. Get-Services provides a web-based interface that enables users to report problems in their work environment by opening problem tickets in Get-Services and then storing them in the ServiceCenter back-end system. You can then view tickets from Get-Services and ServiceCenter.

Note: These release notes also include step-by-step procedures for installing Get-Services on WebSphere 6.0 and the IBM HTTP server.

Important: Before you begin installing this release of Get-Services, consult the *Get-Services Administration Guide* and the *Get-Services Installation Guide* for recommendations about preserving any customizations you may have made on your existing installation of Get-Services.

Note: There were no changes in the 4.2.4 release of Get-Services that affected the tailoring kit, therefore version 4.2.2 of the tailoring kit works with the 4.2.4 version of Get-Services.

Getting started

To understand the Get-Services 4.2.4 release, review the following information:

- [Compatibility matrix on page 7](#)
- [Software Change Requests on page 7](#)
- [Known issues on page 8](#)
- [Language support on page 19](#)

Key features of Get-Services

Get-Services streamlines the process of reporting technical and non-technical issues by automatically routing service alerts to people who can resolve them.

Get-Services includes the following key features:

- Self-service process for employees to open, monitor, update, and close both tickets and change requests from their desktops
- Ability for employees to categorize the service, incident, and change tickets according to pre-defined categories
- Web-based interface for technicians to monitor and close tickets as well as change tasks and phases from the field
- Out-of-box integration to ServiceCenter Incident, Service, and Change Management modules
- Security and profile models providing user access based on pre-defined roles
- Identifying and tracking the number of tickets opened using the Web through ServiceCenter reporting
- HIPAA compliance

New features

Get-Services 4.2.4 is a maintenance release intended to provide compatibility with ServiceCenter 6.2.0.0.

Compatibility matrix

The compatibility matrix lists supported versions of operating systems, browsers, Peregrine products, and other compatibility and support information.

To access the compatibility matrix:

- 1 Use a browser to navigate to the Peregrine Customer Support Web site at <http://support.peregrine.com>.
- 2 Log on with your Customer ID and password.
- 3 From the left navigation pane, click **Product Information > Employee Self Service > Get-Services > Compatibility matrices > 4.2.**

Software Change Requests

There are no fixes for Software Change Requests (SCRs) in this release.

Get-Services enhancements and fixed issues

There are no enhancements or fixed issues for this release of Get-Services.

OAA enhancements and fixed issues

There are no enhancements or fixed issues in this release.

Search the KnowledgeBase

The KnowledgeBase contains articles with related information, tips, and workarounds for this release. To search the KnowledgeBase:

- 1 Use a browser to navigate to the Peregrine Customer Support Web site at <http://support.peregrine.com>.
- 2 Log in with your Customer ID and password.
- 3 From the left navigation pane, click **Advanced Search**.
- 4 Type one or more keywords to filter the search, then choose a product from the drop-down list.
- 5 Click **Go**.

Known issues

The following tables contain known issues about Get-Services 4.2.4, OAA, and the installation. To search the KnowledgeBase for known issues, type the Known Issue Document ID as the search criteria.

Get-Services known issues

The following table describes the known issues related to Get-Services.

SCR	Known issue	Workaround
39374	When using Change Management in ServiceCenter 6.2.0.0 and the user attempts to perform a New Change Request an error occurs: "Creation of Change failed ,Error trying to insert or update."	The Change RFC create form needs to be personalized to add the Change Reason field as a required field and change description also needs to be set as a required field.

OAA known issues

The following table describes the known issues related to OAA.

SCR	Known issue	Workaround
39061	When an operator has a template operator associated with it, which will happen automatically when creating a self-service user using the quick add utility, OAA will only apply the capabilities that are in the template operator and will ignore any capabilities given directly to the user via its operator.	Capabilities that need to be given to a self-service user created with the quick add utility should be given to the template operator and not the user's operator.

Installation known issues

This release of Get-Sources has no new known installation issues.

Installing WebSphere 6.0 and IBM HTTP server

You must configure your application and Web servers *prior* to running the Get-Services installer.

Assumptions

Before beginning installation, verify that you have the following software.

- WebSphere 6.0 using Java version 1.4.2 or later
- Java™ 2 Runtime Environment, Standard Edition (build 1.4.2)
- J2RE 1.4.2 IBM Windows 32 build cn142sr1w-20041028
- IBM HTTP Server 6.0 or later

Configuring WebSphere 6.0

Use the following procedures to configure WebSphere 6.0 to run Get-Services.

Step 1 Run the installer. See [page 10](#).

Step 2 Deploy the oaa.war file. See [page 13](#).

Step 3 Copy the jar files. See [page 15](#).

Step 4 Edit the application settings using the WebSphere Administrative Console. See [page 16](#).

Step 5 Editing the httpd.conf file. See [page 17](#)

Step 6 For AIX, if you are using ServiceCenter as the back-end, update the path to the ServiceCenter libraries in the startServer file. See [page 17](#).

Step 7 Complete the configuration. See [page 18](#).

Running the installer

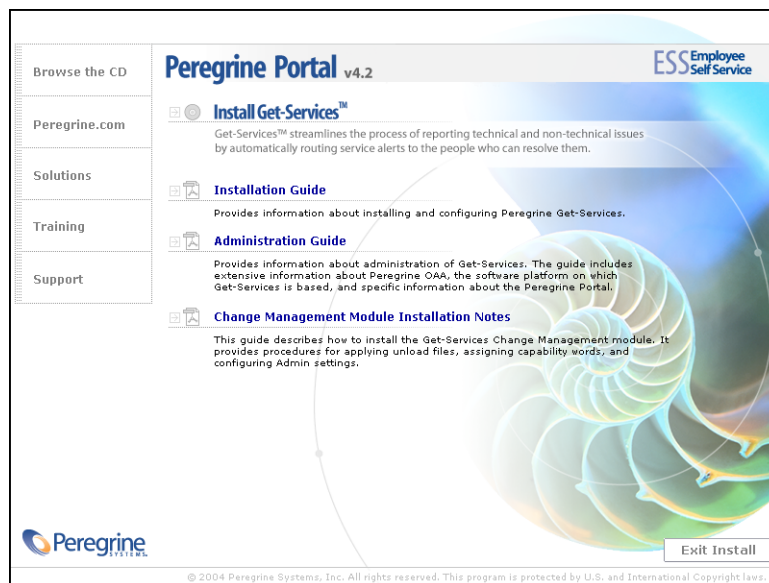
You must do this on a Windows machine.

To install Get-Services:

- 1 Insert the Get-Services installation CD-ROM into the CD-drive.

If you are installing on a system that has autorun enabled, the CD browser starts automatically. If autorun is disabled, you can manually start the installer from the CD.

- Use Windows Explorer to navigate to the CD-ROM directory. Double-click **Autorun.exe**.
- Start the Get-Services installation from the Windows command prompt. Type **D:\>autorun** where D identifies the CD-ROM drive. Substitute your CD-ROM drive identifier.



- 2 Click **Install Get-Services** to start the setup wizard.
- 3 At the Welcome screen, click **Next**.
- 4 Accept the License Agreement and click **Next**.
- 5 Choose your destination directory and click **Next**.
- 6 Confirm the setting of your Java installation and click **Next**.

- 7 Click **Install** to install Peregrine Portal 4.2.

The command prompt window shows what is being deployed and added. This may take several minutes.

- 8 When the installation is complete, click **Finish**.
- 9 Click **Exit Install**.

The installer creates the `oaa.war` and `oaadeploy.properties` files in the `Portal` directory. The default location is: `C:\Program Files\Peregrine\Portal`.

File	Purpose
<code>oaa.war</code>	Most of the application server configurations require this file to deploy the application.
<code>oaadeploy.properties</code>	This file is useful if you run <code>oaadeploy</code> to recreate the image directory or when you are installing a patch.

Deploying the oaa.war file

The oaa.war file creates the directory structure necessary to deploy Get-Services to your application server.

To deploy the oaa.war file using the WebSphere Administrative Console:

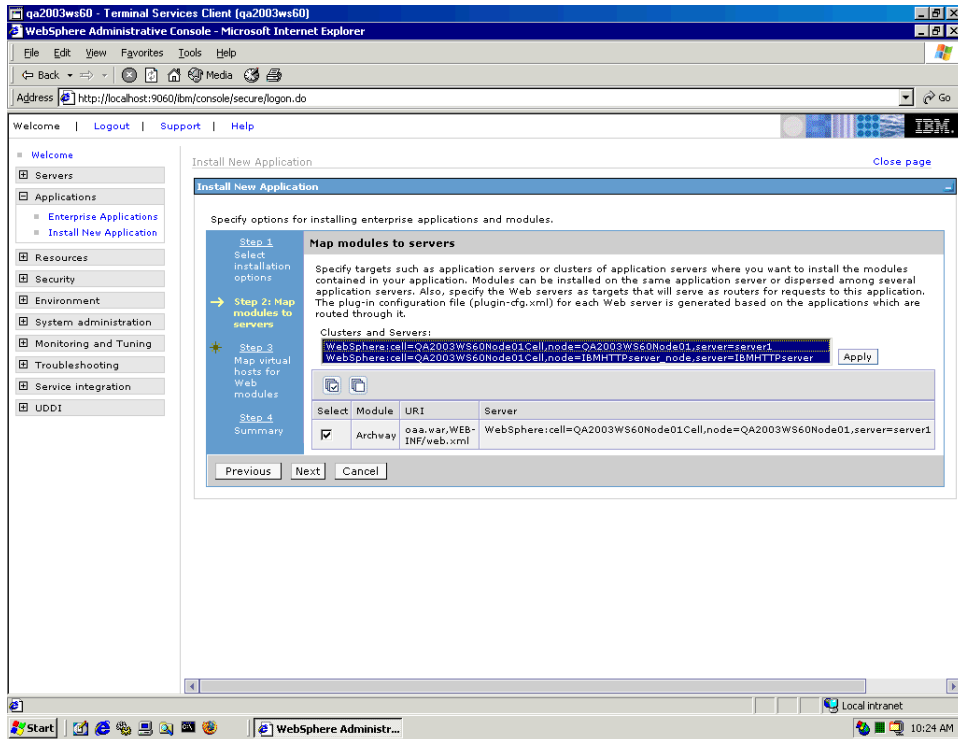
- 1 Start the WebSphere Administration Server.
- 2 Log on to the WebSphere Administrative Console.
- 3 Click **Applications** on the Administrative Console menu.
- 4 Click **Install New Application**.
- 5 In the Local path field, browse to the oaa.war file created at installation.
- 6 Specify the Context Root, a value such as **oaa** (the virtual directory name).
- 7 Click **Next**.

This may take several minutes.

- 8 Accept the default settings and click **Next**.
- 9 Click **Continue**.
- 10 Click **Use Binary Configuration**.
- 11 In the Application Name field, specify a name, such as **oaa**.
- 12 Keep all the other settings at their defaults, and click **Next**.
- 13 Click **Select**.

14 Select the following as required:

cluster
server
Web Server

15 Click **Apply**.16 Click **Next**.17 Keep the default settings, and click **Next**.18 Click **Finish**.19 Click **Save to Master Configuration** to save the server configuration.20 Click **Save**.

- 21 Log out of the Administrative Console.
- 22 Stop the WebSphere Administration Server.

Copying jar files

The installer generates jar files that you must copy to the application server endorsed directory.

- 1 Verify that the following files are in the `<APP_DEPLOYMENT_DIR>/WEB-INF/lib` directory, where `<APP_DEPLOYMENT_DIR>` is the path to your Get-Services deployment directory.

js.jar
jai_core.jar
jai_codec.jar
mlibwrapper_jai.jar
- 2 Copy or FTP the following files from the installation directory `C:\Program Files\Peregrine\Portal\SupportFiles\JavaExtensions`

activation.jar
mail.jar
pop3.jar

to the `<APP_DEPLOYMENT_DIR>\WEB-INF\lib` directory.
- 3 Copy or FTP the following files from the installation directory `C:/Program Files/Peregrine/Portal/SupportFiles/JavaExtensions`

xalan.jar
xercesImpl.jar
xml-apis.jar

where `C:/Program Files/Peregrine/Portal` specifies the location of your application installation,

to the `$JAVA_HOME/jre/lib/endorsed` directory.
 - a If necessary, replace any older versions of these files.

- b If `xmlParserAPIs.jar` exists in the endorsed directory, delete it.
- c Create the endorsed directory if one does not exist.

Editing the application settings

Using the WebSphere Administrative Console, edit the application settings.

To edit the application settings:

- 1 Start the WebSphere Administration Server.
- 2 Log on to the WebSphere Administrative Console.
- 3 Click the **Enterprise Application > Application** link.
- 4 Click the Get-Services link from the list for the application that you just installed.
- 5 Click **Web Modules** under Related Items.
- 6 Click the **oaa.war** link.
- 7 Change the **Class loader Mode** to **PARENT LAST**.
- 8 Click **OK**, click **Save**, then click **Save** to save the server configuration.

Editing the httpd.conf file

Modify the httpd.conf file to add the plug-in modules and an alias for the virtual directory.

- 1 From the IBM HTTP Server configuration /conf/httpd.conf file, add the plug-in modules.

On Windows:

```
LoadModule was_ap20_module
<AppServerPath>\Plugins\bin\mod_was_ap20_http.dll
WebSpherePluginConfig <AppServerPath>\AppServer6\profiles\default\
config\cells\<hostname>\nodes\IBMHTTPserver_node\servers
\IBMHTTPserver\plugin-cfg.xml"
```

On UNIX:

```
LoadModule was_ap20_module
<AppServerPath>/Plugins/bin/mod_was_ap20_http.so
WebSpherePluginConfig <AppServerPath>/AppServer6/profiles/default/
config/cells/<hostname>/nodes/IBMHTTPserver_node/servers/IBMHTTPserve
r/plugin-cfg.xml"
```

- 2 Create an alias in httpd.conf for the virtual directory.

```
Alias /oaa <AppServerPath>/AppServer/installedApps/<hostname>
/oaa_war.ear/oaa.war
```

Note: The /oaa alias needs to match the Context Root.

- 3 Save and close the file.
- 4 Restart the IBM HTTP Server.

Editing the startServer file for AIX

When using ServiceCenter as the back-end, the AIX environment requires you to add the path to the ServiceCenter libraries in the startServer.sh file.

- 1 Log out of the Administrative Console.
- 2 Stop the WebSphere Administration Server.

- 3 Using a text editor, open the `startServer.sh` file.
- 4 At the top of the file add a single entry for `LIBPATH` and set it to the path for the appropriate ServiceCenter libraries.

For example, when running when running ServiceCenter 6.2:

```
LIBPATH=/<AppServerPath>/<APP_DEPLOYMENT_DIR>  
/WEB-INF/lib/AIX/ServiceCenter62
```

Export the completed variable entry using the following command:
`export LIBPATH`

- 5 Save and close the file.
- 6 Start the WebSphere Administration server for the new settings to take effect.

Configuring Get-Services

To complete the configuration, follow the instructions *Get-Services Administration Guide*.

Documentation

Peregrine Systems supplies electronic versions of all documents on the Customer Support Web site.

Peregrine Systems also provides electronic versions of related documents in your installation package.

Related documentation

The complete set of books for Get-Services 4.2 includes:

- Get-Services Installation Guide
- Get-Services Administration Guide
- Get-Services Change Management Module Installation Notes

These documents are available on the Get-Services 4.2 installation CD in the ...\\documentation directory.

Language support

The language packs, available in French, Italian, and German, are available for Get-Services 4.2.

Third-party products

Peregrine products often integrate third-party products using open source standards. The Peregrine Customer Support Web site contains specific statements about the support of third-party products and open source standards. You need your Customer login ID and password to log on.

Need more information?

The Customer Support Web site has resource information about third-party products, the Compatibility Matrix, documentation, and customer support contact information.

Start your browser and navigate to <http://support.peregrine.com>. You need your Customer ID and password to log on.

Education services

For a complete listing of Peregrine training courses, see the [Peregrine Education Service](#) Web site.

