



The Business Leader's Cheat Sheet to **Windows 10 EOL**

Windows 10 support is ending soon. This guide explains what that means for your organisation, the risks of waiting, and how to prepare with confidence.

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What does Windows 10 End of Life (EoL) mean?

Microsoft will stop releasing security updates and providing support for Windows 10 after **October 14, 2025**.

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What are the costs involved in upgrading?

Costs vary but may include new hardware, software licenses and IT services. Planning early helps control costs.

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Why does this matter to my business?

Without support, systems become more vulnerable to cyber threats, compliance failures, and operational downtime.

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How long does migration take?

Timelines depend on your size and complexity, but planning, testing, and deployment can take several months.

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What are the risks of not upgrading?

Running unsupported software increases the likelihood of cyberattacks, data breaches, and costly disruptions.

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How do we get started?

Begin with an inventory of your devices and a compatibility check. From there, build a phased migration plan with a trusted IT partner to ensure a smooth and secure transition.

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Will this affect compliance?

Yes. Many industry regulations require supported systems. Using End of Life software may result in penalties or non-compliance.

Don't wait until it's too late.

Talk to Step Fwd IT today about creating the right migration strategy for you.