



# Microsoft Defender for Endpoint

Master Class

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## Module 2

Device Onboarding

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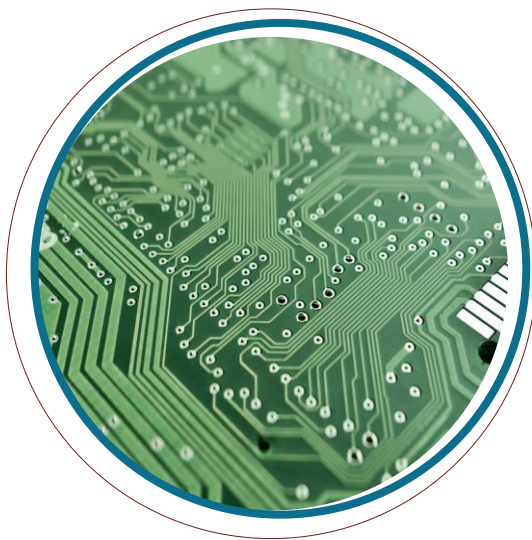
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  - GPO
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- **On-prem Server**
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- **Non-Windows devices**
- **Offboarding**

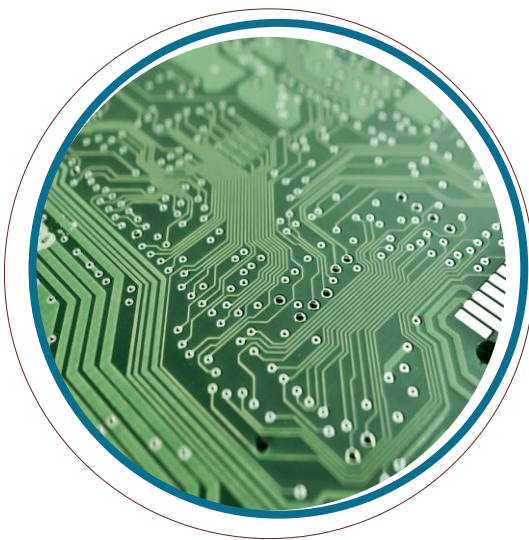


## Onboarding Requirements

# Onboarding

## Requirements

- OS Versions
  - sometimes necessary updates
- Network connectivity
  - [Documentation](#)
  - Streamlined (consolidated URLs)
  - Spreadsheet(s)

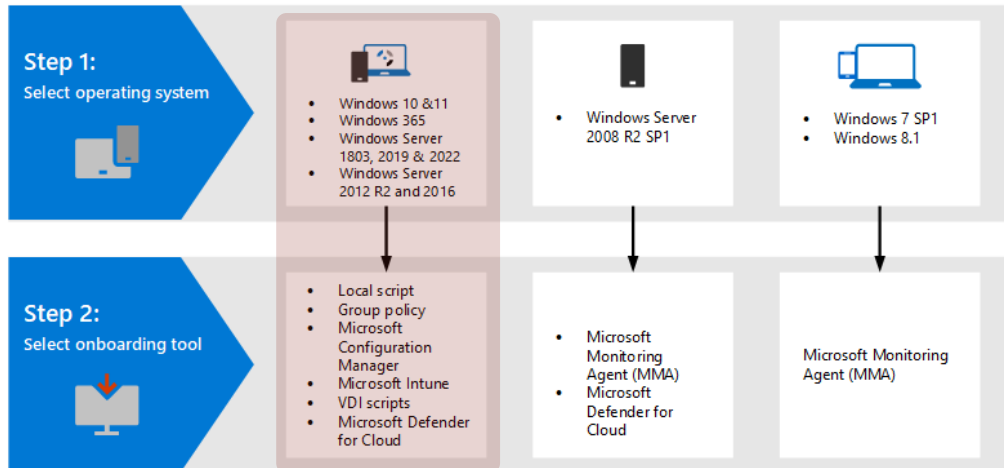


## Onboarding Windows

Source: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/onboard-windows-client>

# Onboarding Windows Systems

## Onboard Devices

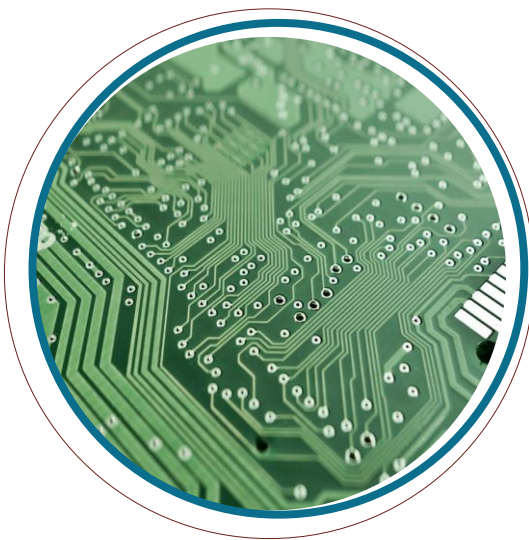


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## Local Script

Procedure:

1. Settings | Endpoints | Device Management/Onboarding
2. Select OS: 'Windows 10 or 11'
3. Connectivity type: Streamlined
4. Deployment method: Local Script
5. Click 'Download onboarding script'
6. Copy the script to the new client and extract it there
7. Start the script as administrator and follow the instructions

## Local Script

What the script is doing

- Check if elevated
- Adds some registry values
  - WMI permissions for Security Center
  - Onboarding Info

```
$result = Get-ItemPropertyValue `
-Path 'HKLM:\SOFTWARE\Policies\Microsoft\Windows Advanced Threat Protection\' `
-Name OnboardingInfo
($result | ConvertFrom-Json).body | ConvertFrom-Json
```

- orgID could be found in XDR Settings

## Local Script

What the script is doing - continued

- ELAM driver installation
- Starting service SENSE
- Creating Event in Application Log
  - Source/ProviderName: WDATPOnboarding
  - EventID: 20
- Reload engine

```
Get-WinEvent -LogName Application | Where-Object { $_.ProviderName -like 'WDATP*' }
```

## Group Policy objects

- suitable for ADDS Members
- Higher level steps
- Download Onboarding package for Group policies
  - script is step-by-step local onboarding script
  - just no confirmation and output
- Extract script to an accessible file share
- Create a GPO and create a scheduled task via preferences
- Action of this task downloads the script and executes it

Refer to this [step-by-step guide](#)

## Microsoft Intune

- suitable for already in Intune enrolled devices

### High level steps

- Establish a service-to-service connection
  - between Intune and MDE
- Create a policy for onboarding
  - Device configuration policy or
  - EDR policy

Source: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/troubleshoot-onboarding#troubleshoot-onboarding-when-deploying-with-a-script>  
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/troubleshoot-onboarding#view-agent-onboarding-errors-in-the-device-event-log>

## Troubleshooting

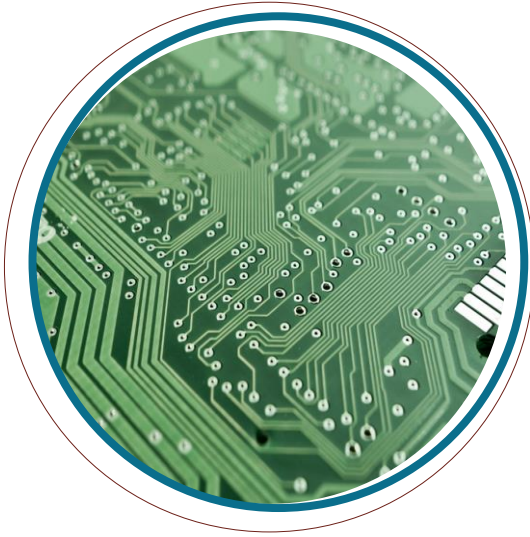
### Windows

#### Problems executing script

- Event Viewer - Application Log
  - Source **WDATPOnboarding**

#### Problems performing onboarding process

- Event Viewer - Applications and Services Logs > Microsoft > Windows > SENSE
  - Filter for Warning, Error and Critical



## Onboarding Azure VM

## Azure VM

- Virtual Machines running in Azure
- Microsoft Defender for Cloud (MDC)
  - allows you to configure MDE protection
  - includes licenses



# Microsoft Defender for Cloud - 2 main parts

## Cloud Security Posture Management

- Secure Score
- Recommendations
- Regulatory Compliance



## Cloud Workload Protection Platform

### Defender for

- Servers
- App Services
- Databases
- Storage
- Containers
- Key Vault
- Resource Manager
- APIs

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Source: [Support for the Defender for Servers plan in Microsoft Defender for Cloud](#) | Microsoft Learn

# Microsoft Defender for Servers

## Features

### Microsoft Defender for Servers Plan 2

Plan details

- Microsoft Defender for Endpoint
- Microsoft Defender vulnerability management
- Automatic agent onboarding, alert and data integration
- Generates detailed, context-based, security alerts easily integrated with any SIEM
- Provides guidelines to help investigate and mitigate identified threats
- Agentless VM vulnerability scanning [Learn more](#).
- Agentless VM secrets scanning [Learn more](#).
- Agentless malware detection (preview)
- Control plane security alerts
- Resolve missing software updates gaps with Azure Update Manager (Free for Plan 2 Arc machines)
- Regulatory compliance and industry best practices
- Just-in-time VM access for management ports
- Network layer threat detection
- File integrity monitoring
- Baselines assessment
- Log Analytics 500MB free data ingestion

### • MDE in both plans available

### • OS Support

- Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2008 R2 SP1, Windows 10/11 Enterprise multi-session (formerly Enterprise for Virtual Desktops)
- Not available on: Azure VMs running Windows 10 or Windows 11

### • For Azure VM with Windows 11/10 use already explained onboarding methods

### Microsoft Defender for Servers Plan 1

Plan details

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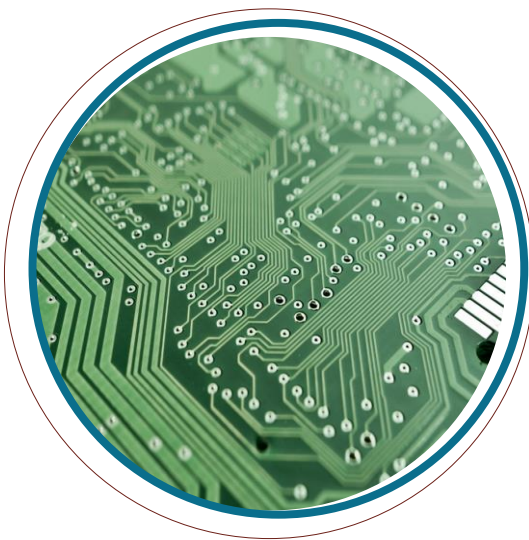
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Source: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/defender-for-cloud/plan-defender-for-servers-agents#defender-for-endpoint-extensions>  
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/minimum-requirements>  
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/configure-server-endpoints#windows-server-2016-and-windows-server-2012-r2>

# Microsoft Defender for Servers

## MDE protection

- Azure VMs are automatically onboarded to MDE
  - Extension MDE.Windows or MDE.Linux is installed
  - Connection to \*.endpoint.security.microsoft.com is mandatory
- All requirements of a Windows Server to be onboarded to MDE must be fulfilled.
- MDE must be activated already

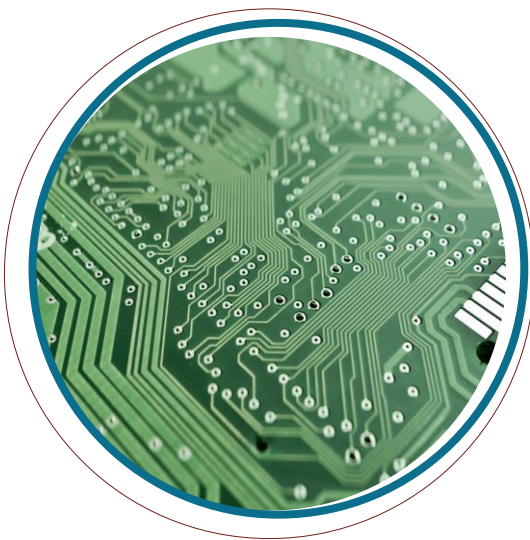


## Onboarding On-premises Servers or VMs

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## Other Servers

- Server could be hosted
  - on-premises physical
  - on-premises virtual
  - in 3<sup>rd</sup> party clouds
- Onboard directly (if OS is supported)
- Use Azure Arc
  - install the connected machine agent (CMA) on that servers
  - automatically protected by Defender for Cloud (Servers)
  - therefor automatically onboarded to MDE



## Onboarding Device discovery

## Device discovery

- *'... helps you find unmanaged devices connected to your corporate network without the need for extra appliances or cumbersome process changes.'*
- onboarded devices are used for discovery
- Could be found:
  - Endpoints (workstations, server and mobile devices)
  - Network devices (routers, switches)
  - IoT (printers, cameras, ...)

## Device discovery

### Discovery methods

- Basic
  - SenseNDR.exe
  - passive; network traffic seen by onboarded device is investigated
  - no network traffic initiated
- Standard
  - actively find devices
  - common discovery protocols using multicast queries are used
  - minimal and negligible activity generated

Source: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/device-discovery>  
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/network-devices>

## Device discovery

Discovered devices onboarding states

- Onboarded
  - Can be onboarded
  - Unsupported
  - Insufficient info
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- Check device inventory (Assets | Devices/Computers & Mobile)

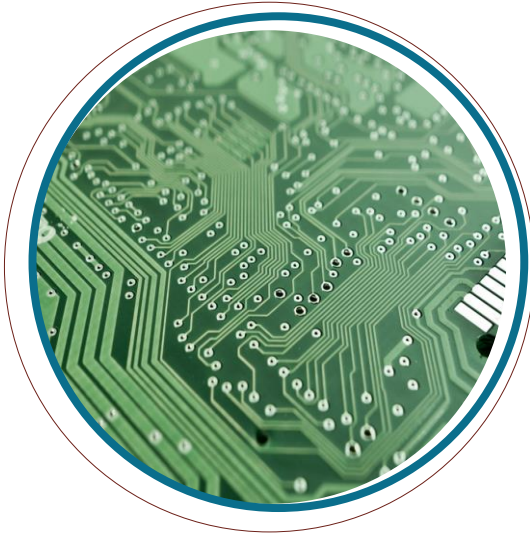
Network devices

- Download and configure scanner
- Check device inventory (Assets | Devices/Network devices)

## Device discovery

Configuration

- Settings | Endpoints | Adv Features | Device discovery (on default)
- Settings | Device discovery
- Discovery setup
  - Select mode (Basic/Standard)
  - Select already onboarded devices which should discover
- Exclusions
  - Provide IP addresses and/or ranges of devices to exclude
- Monitored Network
  - Corporate networks vs. non-corporate networks
  - each found network could be excluded / included



## Onboarding Linux

Source: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/microsoft-defender-endpoint-linux>

## Onboarding Linux endpoints

System requirements - refer to source

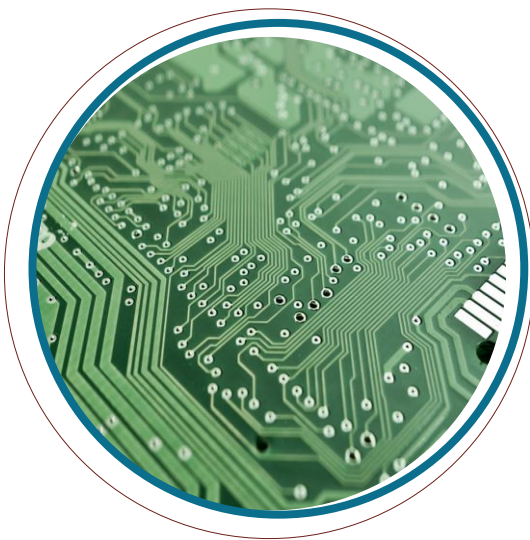
- Disk space > 2GB
- Cores: 2 (4 preferred)
- Memory: 1GB (4GB preferred)
- supported distribution
- supported filesystem
- auditd must be enabled
- executable permission for wdatd daemon
- package dependencies

Source: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/microsoft-defender-endpoint-linux>  
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/linux-install-manually>

## Onboarding Linux endpoints

Onboarding - refer to source

- manually
- Using (all documented by Microsoft)
  - Puppet
  - Ansible
  - Chef
  - Saltstack



## Onboarding MacOS

Source: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/microsoft-defender-endpoint-mac>  
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/mac-install-manually>

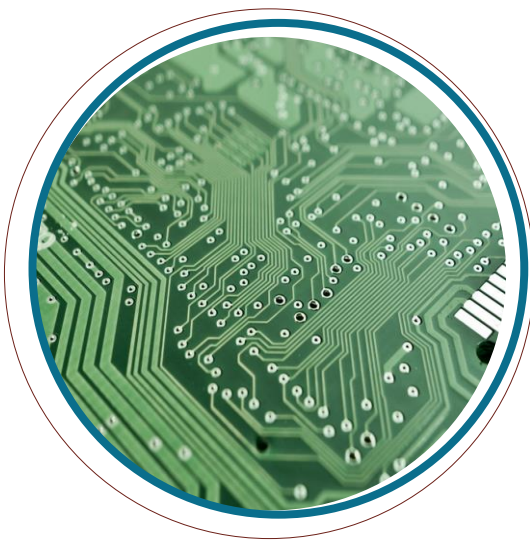
## Onboarding macOS endpoints

System requirements - refer to source

- Disk space > 1GB
- supported OS: v12 and later
- Beta versions are not supported (!)

Onboarding

- manually
- Intune
- Non-Microsoft
  - JAMF
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> party MDM



## Onboarding iOS/iPadOS



Source: <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/microsoft-defender-endpoint-mac>  
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/defender-endpoint/mac-install-manually>

# Onboarding

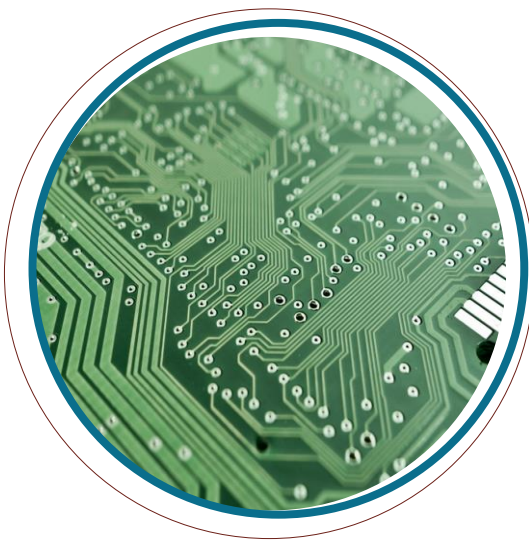
iOS/iPadOS

best with Intune enrolled devices

- Deploy Microsoft Defender App from Apple Store
  - via Intune policy

with non-enrolled devices

- Install Microsoft Authenticator and sign in to your account
- Install Microsoft Defender App and sign in with same account
- only Web protection available - later more ...



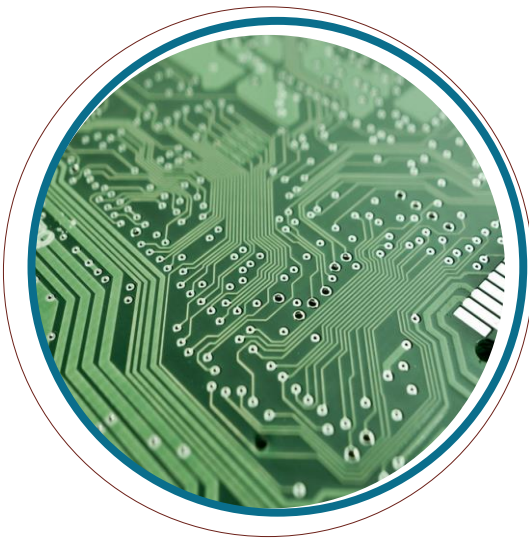
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# Onboarding

## Android

- best with Intune enrolled devices
- non-enrolled devices supported now
- Install Company Portal app for Google Play



## Offboarding

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# Offboarding

## Windows

- Download script/package
  - local script; GPO; Intune; Config Manager
- valid for 7 days
- Deployment guide could be found in documentation where onboarding is explained

# Offboarding Script

## Procedure:

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3. Deployment method: Local Script
4. Click 'Download package'
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## Offboarding Script

What the script is doing

- Check if elevated
- Querying Org Id from registry
  - check if Org Id is correct
- current Onboarding Info in registry deleted
- New value is added: 696C1FA1-4030-4FA4-8713-FAF9B2EA7C0A
  - Content similar to this:

```
orgIds      : {7738cb35-84e4-43a8-9e39-b5ebe81df913}
orgId       : 7738cb35-84e4-43a8-9e39-b5ebe81df913
expirationTimestamp : 133764254491261708
version     : 1.7
epoch       : 0
```

- 'Windows Defender Advanced Threat Protection Service' stopped



## End of Module 2