

# Release Notes 2.4.5

Confluence 2.4.5 is a maintenance release that resolves issues users may have encountered using Confluence 2.4.4 or earlier.

2.4.5 is a free upgrade for all customers who purchased their Confluence license after April 12th 2006.

## Who should upgrade?

Confluence 2.4.5 is a recommended upgrade release which resolves some significant issues in Confluence 2.4.4. Customers running older versions of Confluence should review the list of resolved issues below, and upgrade if this release fixes any problems with their current Confluence installation.

Customers running releases older than 2.4 and wishing to upgrade should upgrade directly to 2.4.5.

## Upgrade Procedure

Upgrading Confluence should be pretty easy. If you are upgrading from another Confluence 2.2.x or Confluence 2.3 version, you can find [instructions here](#).

*We strongly recommend that you backup your `confluence.home` directory and database before upgrading!*

## Upgrading from Confluence 2.1 and earlier

Users upgrading directly from 2.1 or earlier should also read the [2.2 Release Notes](#) for caveats regarding the 2.1 -> 2.2 upgrade.