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2026 OpenVMS Community Package Renewal

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Dear Community Member,

We have updated our Community Package with a new x86 license and related Layered Products with up-to-date versions.

How to use the Community Package

1. Download and unzip

The zip file contains 2 vmdk files with a disk image of an OpenVMS system disk. Copy the files to the machine where your VM will be hosted.

2. Create a VM or attach the vmdk to an existing VM

When you add disks to your VM, make sure to choose community.vmdk as one of the disks. You can also add other disks and configure your VM as desired. Make sure to add a serial port to connect to your VM console.

3. Boot from the Community Package disk

Connect from the serial port, enter **BOOT disk-name**, and the boot process starts. OpenVMS, as well as a few other products, is already installed, and you can tune it as you like. The SYSTEM password is **alphabits000000** (feel free to change that, too).

How to Copy Your Files from an Old Community Package VM

1. In your VM settings, add both the old vmdk and the new vmdk (you may need to rename the files).
2. Boot OpenVMS from the new vmdk.
3. Once booted, mount the old vmdk:
SHOW DEVICE D should show it as online, **MOUNT disk-name disk-label** will mount it privately (or **MOUNT/OVER=ID** if you don't remember the label).
4. Copy the files you are interested in to a new disk (use the **COPY** command).

You can find detailed step-by-step instructions on setting up the Community Package on VirtualBox and a shell script [here](#). If you need extra help, check out the official documentation of your virtualization provider or ask a question on [our forum](#): other community license users might know the answer.

Have a great day!

VSI Community License Team

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