



Upgrading to SharePoint 2010

SharePoint 2010—the business collaboration platform for the enterprise and Web

SharePoint 2010 is a business collaboration platform that enables you to connect and empower people through formal and informal business communities, within the enterprise and beyond, and to manage content throughout the information lifecycle. Whether deployed on-premises or as hosted services, SharePoint's integrated capabilities are enhanced by search technologies and enable you to rapidly respond to changing business needs by making data-driven decisions and by deploying customized solutions quickly and securely. The consolidation of collaboration solutions onto SharePoint 2010 makes it possible to cut costs by lowering training and maintenance expenses and increasing IT productivity, all within a governable and compliant platform.

Getting Started

Catapult Systems is your go-to partner for implementing or upgrading to SharePoint 2010. Our personalized approach takes into account your organization, existing processes and vision for improving your business. The following outlines our approach to upgrading to SharePoint 2010:

Evaluation

This is an in-depth review of the current environment and its dependences including:

- SharePoint farm configurations
- Server roles
- Patch level / version number
- Current backup strategy
- Downtime requirements
- Content databases and size
- SQL Server health and storage
- Web applications
- Site collections
- Sites
- Content types and site columns
- Custom master pages
- Custom page layouts
- Other SharePoint Designer customizations
- Compiled code deployed
- Number of users

An evaluation is highly recommended as a precursor for any SharePoint installation or upgrade/migration because it provides the necessary information to properly plan and architect the process. It is also appropriate for any organization that is uncertain about the reliability, stability or configuration of their current SharePoint environment as it provides a detailed analysis of the current state of the environment including recommendations to improve or resolve any known or discovered issues.

This review involves using automated tools and interviews with IT and responsible parties, along with a hands-on/guided configuration review of systems and applications. It is detailed in a complete report that covers the current environment, any findings and recommended actions, and a strategic roadmap that lines up with business objectives.

Evaluations can typically be done in five days or less and result in a SharePoint 2010 Upgrade and Readiness Assessment Document.

Installation/Upgrade

This service includes:

- System prerequisite installer
- Pre-upgrade checker
- Content database validation
- GUI and script base installation options
- In-place or database attach upgrade options
- Upgrade log analysis and review
- Visual upgrade support
- Issue remediation

The end result is a detailed design document as well as a functional SharePoint 2010 environment.

To Consider

Upgrading your SharePoint environments better positions your organization to leverage its technology investment found in the new features and capabilities of SharePoint 2010. To leverage these new capabilities, it is important that you properly plan your enhancements and solutions around your business requirements and deploy those using best practices and a release process managed through a governance process. Catapult Systems can help you plan, design, and implement your strategic initiatives whether it's a new document and records management solution, redesigned public website, secure employee portal, or new interactive community portal.

What's New in SharePoint 2010

Improved Records Management

- In-place declaration of records
- Document sets and IDs
- Enhanced document routing
- Legal holds

Scalable Unified Infrastructure

- Shared service applications
- Claims-based authentication
- Enhanced manageability
- Remote BLOB storage
- Resource throttling

Enterprise Social Computing

- Centrally managed term store
- Activity feeds
- Content ratings
- Social tagging

Improved Search

- Search refinements
- Phonetic name search
- Improved relevancy

Improved User Experience

- Adoption of the Office ribbon interface
- Metadata browser and built-in search refinements
- Multilingual user interface
- Offline experience with SharePoint Workspace

Improved Developer Experience

- F5 debug
- Windows 7 support
- Visual Studio integration
- Developer dashboard
- REST API and Client Object Model
- Sandboxed solutions



How can we help you?

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