

Free Checklist: 5 Things to Consider Before Upgrading to Windows 11

Ensure your systems and your business are ready for the move with these quick tips!

🗹 1. System Requirements Check

Before upgrading, verify your hardware meets the minimum Windows 11 requirements.

- Processor: 1 GHz+ with 2+ cores (64-bit or SoC), All 8th Generation and newer Intel Core Processors are Compatible with Windows 11
- ✓ **RAM**: 16 GB or more
- ✓ **Storage**: At least 64 GB free
- ✓ Device passes <u>Microsoft's PC Health Check</u>
- A Older hardware may need replacement to avoid compatibility issues.

🗹 2. Evaluate Hardware Performance

- ✓ Devices have sufficient RAM (ideally 16 GB+)
- ✓ SSD drives are used for faster performance
- ✓ No frequent lags, crashes, or hardware failures
- ✓ Hardware warranties are current or recently renewed

★ If your current devices are aging out, consider this a great time to refresh your tech stack.

🗹 3. Application Compatibility

- ✓ Business-critical apps are Windows 11 compatible
- ✓ Printers, scanners, and peripherals work with Windows 11
- ✓ VPN, antivirus, and remote tools are tested
- ✓ No custom or legacy software conflicts expected
- 📌 Test first—especially if your team relies on older tools.

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4. Security & Compliance Alignment

- ✓ TPM 2.0 is enabled for enhanced Windows 11 security
- ✓ Endpoint protection is compatible
- ✓ Backup and disaster recovery plans are in place
- ✓ Compliance requirements (HIPAA, CMMC, etc.) are considered
- \star Upgrading is a great opportunity to tighten your cybersecurity posture.

5. Plan for Productivity Boosts

- ✓ Team is trained on new features (Snap Layouts, Virtual Desktops, etc.)
- ✓ Communication tools (like Teams) are integrated
- ✓ Internal processes are reviewed for optimization
- ✓ New system rollout plan is in place
- Don't just install—transform. Use Windows 11 to level up your daily operations.

Need help with your upgrade?

Advanced Computer Technologies is here to guide you through it—from planning to full deployment.

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- Or request a free consultation: <u>www.actweb.com/contact-us</u>

ro tip: Save this checklist and share it with your internal team to kick-start your Windows 11 upgrade strategy.