

Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack Release Notes

Version 100

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## Overview

Version 100 of the Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack is an upgrade to version 0.5 of the Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack. It includes Dynamic Applications and Event Policies for monitoring the System, Application, and Security event logs on Microsoft Windows servers.

• Minimum Required Platform Version: 8.10.0

• Support Status: Beta

This document describes:

- Pre-installation or pre-upgrade information
- The installation process for the PowerPack
- The features included in version 100
- The enhancements and issues addressed in version 100

# Before You Install or Upgrade

Ensure that you are running version 8.10.0 or later of SL1 before installing the Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack version 100.

NOTE: For details on upgrading SL1, see the appropriate SL1 Release Notes.

# Installing or Upgrading to Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack version 100

TIP: By default, installing a new version of a PowerPack will overwrite all content in that PowerPack that has already been installed on the target system. You can use the *Enable Selective PowerPack Field Protection* setting in the *Behavior Settings* page (System > Settings > Behavior) to prevent the new version of the PowerPack from overwriting local changes for some commonly customized fields.

NOTE: If you are currently using the Dynamic Applications in the *Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs*PowerPack to monitor devices, collection errors might occur for one or two polling cycles during the installation of a new version. To prevent collection errors during an upgrade, you can optionally disable collection for monitored devices before performing the following steps and re-enable collection after the upgrade.

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To install the Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack for the first time or to upgrade from a previous version, perform the following steps:

- 1. See the **Before You Install or Upgrade** section. If you have not done so already, upgrade your system to the 8.10.0 or later release.
- 2. Download version 100 of the Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack from the Customer Portal to a local computer.
- 3. Go to the **PowerPack Manager** page (System > Manage > PowerPacks). Click the **[Actions]** menu and choose *Import PowerPack*. When prompted, import version 100 of the *Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs* PowerPack.
- 4. After importing the PowerPack, you will be prompted to install the PowerPack. Click the **[Install]** button to install the PowerPack.
- 5. See the manual Monitoring Windows Services with PowerShell for instructions on using the PowerPack.

## **Features**

Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack version 100 includes the following features:

- Dynamic Applications that discover and collect data from Microsoft Windows Server event logs:
  - Microsoft: Windows Server Application Events
  - Microsoft: Windows Server Security Events
  - Microsoft: Windows Server System Events
- Event Policies and corresponding alerts that are triggered when Microsoft Windows Server event logs meet certain status criteria

## Enhancements and Issues Addressed

The following enhancements and addressed issues are included in version 100 of the Microsoft: Windows Server Event Logs PowerPack:

- The Collector Affinity field is now set to Assigned collector for all Dynamic Applications in the PowerPack.
- An issue was addressed in which Windows event log Description fields, containing new line characters, were truncated when raised in SL1 events.

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