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# ZENworks

## What's New Reference

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# About This Guide

This *ZENworks What's New Reference* describes the new features in the ZENworks 24.4 release. The guide includes the following sections:

- ♦ [Chapter 1, “What’s New in ZENworks 24.4,” on page 7](#)

## Audience

This guide is intended for ZENworks administrators.

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# 1 What's New in ZENworks 24.4

ZENworks 24.4 is a nomenclature change, it includes all the new features and retains all the functionality of previous ZENworks releases.

The following sections describe the new features and enhancements in ZENworks 24.4:

- ◆ [Section 1.1, “Platform Support,” on page 7](#)
- ◆ [Section 1.2, “New Embedded PostgreSQL Upgrade Tool,” on page 8](#)
- ◆ [Section 1.3, “ZENworks Control Center,” on page 8](#)
- ◆ [Section 1.4, “Patch Management,” on page 8](#)

## 1.1 Platform Support

The following table displays the list of new platforms supported in ZENworks 24.4 release:

**Table 1-1** Platforms newly supported in 24.4

Item	New Version Support in 24.4
Operating System: Linux	SLES 15 SP6 x86_64
Operating System: Workstations	RHEL, 8.10 (without RHN subscription) RHEL 9.4 (without RHN subscription) OpenSUSE Leap 15.6
Operating System: Thin Client sessions	Citrix Virtual Apps & Desktops 2402 LTSR, 2407
Operating System: Windows Workstations	Windows 11 x86_64 (Professional and Enterprise, up to 24H2) Windows 11 24H2
Operating System: Thin Client sessions	Citrix Virtual Apps & Desktops 2402 LTSR, 2407
Operating System Server: Linux Managed Device	Open Enterprise Server 24.3
Database: Oracle	Oracle 23ai
Database: PostgreSQL	PostgreSQL 16.x
Hypervisors: Managed Device	VMware ESXi 8.x
Hypervisors: Linux	XEN on SLES 15 SP6
Virtual Appliance - Citrix Hypervisor	XENServer 8
Supported Virtual Desktop Interface	Citrix Virtual Apps & Desktops 2402 LTSR, 2407

For more information about all supported and unsupported platforms for ZENworks 24.4, see [ZENworks System Requirements](#).

## 1.2 New Embedded PostgreSQL Upgrade Tool

For ZENworks 24.4, you must have PostgreSQL 16.x version on the zone, if you are using embedded PostgreSQL database.

A new PostgreSQL Upgrade tool is introduced to facilitate the upgrade process. You can use this upgrade tool to upgrade the embedded PostgreSQL 12.x version to embedded PostgreSQL 16.x version. For more information, see [Upgrading Embedded PostgreSQL Database](#) in the ZENworks Database Management Reference.

## 1.3 ZENworks Control Center

### ◆ Memory Utilization Optimizing Switch

A new memory optimizing switch is introduced to minimize the memory utilization while running multiple reports with different sizes in the Inventory Web reporting. By enabling this switch in the back-end, you can optimize the memory utilization while running any Inventory Web report.

By default, the memory optimization switch is disabled for Inventory reports. When you enable the switch, the following changes are displayed in the Inventory report:

- ◆ A **Summary** column will be displayed for storing the counts.
- ◆ When you click any file, the file will be downloaded in the .zip format. This .zip file contains two files, the actual report in .csv or .pdf format, and the properties file. This properties file provides information about the actual record count and the time taken to download the report.
- ◆ The report count will not be displayed on the Reports Summary page. Instead, a new option **Many** is displayed. You can click the **Many** option to view the total report counts.

For more information, see [Optimizing Memory Utilization for Inventory Reports](#) in the ZENworks Asset Inventory Reference.

### ◆ Full Disk Encryption

Two new panels, **General** and **Encrypted Volumes** are added in the **Encryption** tab. The **General** panel displays the policy's Full Disk Encryption, Pre-Boot Authentication settings, and a link to the device Disk Encryption policy. The **Encrypted Volumes** panel displays the volumes that are encrypted on the device.

## 1.4 Patch Management

### ◆ Deploy Remediation by Enabling Disabled Patches

Disabled patches can now be enabled, allowing for remediation deployment. For more information, see [Disabled Patches](#) in the [ZENworks Patch Management Reference](#).

### ◆ Flexible Delay for Superseded Patches



The delay for disabling superseded patches can now be set between 1 and 180 days, expanding options beyond the previous 30, 60, and 90-day limits. Disabled patches can now be enabled, allowing for remediation deployment. For more information, see [Cleaning Up Patch Content](#) and [Patch Management System Variables](#) in the [ZENworks Patch Management Reference](#).

◆ **Deprecation Notice**

The option to **Do not disable superseded patches included in a policy** will be deprecated in the Advanced Patch Feed. Disabled patches can now be enabled, allowing for remediation deployment. For more information, see [Cleaning Up Patch Content](#) in the [ZENworks Patch Management Reference](#).

