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Windows 7 end of support

As the end of the year draws closer, we would like to remind our clients that support for Microsoft's Windows 7 operating system is scheduled to officially end on January 14, 2020.

What does this mean?

Although organizations may continue to use Windows 7 after January 14th, it is strongly discouraged. When Windows 7 reaches end of support, it means that Microsoft will no longer provide software updates, security updates and fixes, or technical support for any issues. In other words, continuing to use Windows 7 after January 14th can result in increased exposure to security breaches, and as software applications continue to evolve, it is possible for compatibility issues to arise that cannot be resolved.

Replacement

Although it's possible to upgrade certain newer computers from the Windows 7 operating system to the current Windows 10 Professional operating system, it is not recommended. Not only are the system requirements of Windows 10 substantially greater (meaning many Windows 7 computers won't support Windows 10), but the combined software and labor cost to upgrade typically exceeds the cost of purchasing a new computer. For these reasons, replacement is recommended.

If you have one or more Windows 7 computers in need of replacement, there are several aggressively priced, business-grade options currently available from HP and Lenovo. For options, or if you're unsure whether your organization has any Windows 7 workstations still in deployment, just ask your Sandbox Technologies engineer, or send an email to Windows7@sandboxtech.com.

Regards,

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