

VMware vSphere: Install, Configure, Manage [V6.7] H9TG1S

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This course features intensive hands-on training that focuses on installing, configuring, and managing VMware vSphere® 6.7, which includes VMware ESXi™ 6.7 and VMware vCenter Server® 6.7. This course prepares you to administer a vSphere infrastructure for an organization of any size. It is the foundation for most other VMware technologies in the software-defined data center.

Audience

- System administrators
- System engineers

Prerequisites

This course has the following prerequisites:

- System administration experience on Microsoft Windows or Linux operating systems

Course objectives

By the end of the course, you should be able to meet the following objectives:

- Describe the software-defined data center
- Explain the vSphere components and their function in the infrastructure
- Add ESXi hosts to a VMware vCenter® Server Appliance™ instance
- Manage vCenter Server Appliance
- Use a local content library as an ISO store, and deploy a virtual machine
- Describe vCenter Server architecture
- Use vCenter Server to manage an ESXi host
- Configure and manage vSphere infrastructure with VMware Host Client™ and VMware vSphere® Client™
- Describe virtual networks with vSphere standard switches
- Configure standard switch policies

- Use vCenter Server to manage various types of host storage: VMware vSphere® VMFS, NFS, iSCSI, and RDM
- Examine the features and functions of Fibre Channel and VMware vSAN™
- Manage virtual machines, templates, clones, and snapshots
- Migrate virtual machines with VMware vSphere® vMotion®
- Migrate virtual machine storage with VMware vSphere® Storage vMotion®
- Monitor resource usage, and manage resource pools
- Discuss the VMware vSphere® High Availability cluster architecture
- Configure vSphere HA
- Manage vSphere HA and VMware vSphere® Fault Tolerance
- Use VMware vSphere® Replication™ and VMware vSphere® Data Protection™ to replicate virtual machines and perform data recovery
- Use VMware vSphere® Distributed Resource Scheduler™ clusters to improve host scalability
- Use VMware vSphere® Update Manager™ to apply patches and perform basic troubleshooting of ESXi hosts, virtual machines, and vCenter Server operations
- Identify troubleshooting methodology to logically diagnose faults and improve troubleshooting efficiency

Detailed course outline

Module 1: Course Introduction

- Introductions and course logistics
- Course objectives
- Describe the content of the course
- Gain a complete picture of the VMware certification system
- Familiarize yourself with the benefits of the VMware Education Learning Zone
- Identify additional resources

Module 2: Introduction to vSphere and the Software-Defined Data Center

- Describe how vSphere fits into the software-defined data center and the cloud infrastructure
- Explain how vSphere interacts with CPUs, memory, networks, and storage
- Use vSphere Client to access and manage your vCenter Server system and ESXi host
- Compare virtual machine hardware version 14 to other versions
- Identify the virtual network adapters, and describe the enhanced VMXNET3
- Compare the types of virtual disk provisioning
- Identify the advantages of ESXi Quick Boot

Module 3: Creating Virtual Machines

- Create, provision, and remove a virtual machine
- Explain the importance of VMware Tools™
- Describe how to import a virtual appliance OVF template
- Manage VMware Tools
- Explain troubleshooting OS installation and VMware Tools

Module 4: vCenter Server

- Describe the vCenter Server architecture
- Discuss how ESXi hosts communicate with vCenter Server
- Identify the vCenter Server services, components, and modules
- Access and configure vCenter Server Appliance
- Use vSphere Client to manage the vCenter Server inventory
- Describe the rules for applying permissions
- Create a custom role in vCenter Server
- Create a backup schedule
- Restore vCenter Server Appliance from backup
- Monitor vCenter Server Appliance

Module 5: Configuring and Managing Virtual Networks

- Describe, create, and manage standard switches
- Configure virtual switch security and load-balancing policies
- Compare vSphere distributed switches and standard switches
- Describe the virtual switch connection types
- Describe the new TCP/IP stack architecture
- Use VLANs with standard switches

Module 6: Configuring and Managing Virtual Storage

- Identify storage protocols and storage device types
- Discuss ESXi hosts using iSCSI, NFS, and Fibre Channel storage
- Create and manage VMware vSphere® VMFS and NFS datastores
- Describe the new features of VMFS 6.5
- Identify the advantages of VMware vSAN™
- Describe guest file encryption

Module 7: Virtual Machine Management

- Use templates and cloning to deploy new virtual machines
 - Modify and manage virtual machines
 - Clone a virtual machine
 - Upgrade virtual machine hardware to version 14
 - Remove virtual machines from the vCenter Server inventory and datastore
 - Use customization specification files to customize a new virtual machine
 - Perform vSphere vMotion and vSphere Storage vMotion migrations
 - Create and manage virtual machine snapshots
 - Create, clone, and export vApps
 - Identify the types of content libraries and how to deploy and use them
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Module 8: Resource Management and Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss CPU and memory concepts in a virtualized environment • Describe what overcommitment of a resource means • Identify additional technologies that improve memory usage • Configure and manage resource pools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe methods for optimizing CPU and memory usage • Use various tools to monitor resource usage • Create and use alarms to report certain conditions or events
Module 9: vSphere HA, vSphere Fault Tolerance, and Protecting Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the vSphere HA architecture • Configure and manage a vSphere HA cluster • Use vSphere HA advanced parameters • Enforce infrastructural or intra-app dependencies during failover • Describe vSphere HA heartbeat networks and datastore heartbeats • Examine the features and functions of vSphere Fault Tolerance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enable vSphere Fault Tolerance on virtual machines • Support vSphere Fault Tolerance interoperability with vSAN • Examine enhanced consolidation of vSphere Fault Tolerance virtual machines • Examine the features and functions of vSphere Replication
Module 10: vSphere DRS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the functions of a vSphere DRS cluster • Create a vSphere DRS cluster • View information about a vSphere DRS cluster 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Configure virtual machine affinity, DRS groups, and VM-host affinity rules • Remove a host from a vSphere DRS cluster
Module 11: vSphere Update Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the new architecture, components, and capabilities of vSphere Update Manager • Use vSphere Update Manager to manage the patching of ESXi, virtual machines, and vApps • Install vSphere Update Manager and the vSphere Update Manager plug-in • Create patch baselines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use host profiles to manage host configuration compliance • Examine the features and functions of vSphere Update Manager EAM integration • Integrate vSphere Update Manager with vSphere DRS • Scan and remediate hosts
Module 12: vSphere Troubleshooting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the scope of troubleshooting • Use a structured approach to solve configuration and operational problems 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify troubleshooting methodology to logically diagnose faults and improve troubleshooting efficiency

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