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WINDOWS SERVER 2016 DATACENTER

64Bits

System Requirements:

-  1 gigahertz (GHz) or faster 64-bit (x64) processor*
-  2 gigabyte (GB) RAM
-  60 GB available hard disk space
-  DirectX 9 graphics device with 1.0 or higher driver

1. Online Activation: If you already have an (installed) Windows Server 2016 version as a download or on USB / DVD, first try to activate this version with our product key. Please make sure that your Windows version matches the Windows version of the product key. Otherwise, or in case the installation does not work, please proceed with step 2.
2. New Installation: Download your windows server version from the following link:

[Windows Server 2016 Datacenter](#)

Select the required version under "Windows Server 2016". The ISO file is the version for a permanent installation on a PC.

3. Installation process: Burn the ISO-file on a DVD or USB pendrive, then use this device to start the installation on your PC.
4. Conversion and activation of the product: The provided installer from Microsoft download page is a 180 day trial version. To convert to a full version, run the cmd / Powershell command as administrator and insert the following command:

```
Dism /online /Set-Edition:ServerDatacenter /AcceptEula /ProductKey:XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX
```

(Instead of the Xs, please enter the product key)



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5. **Troubleshooting:** After introducing the command shown above, you may get any of these error codes:

Error code 87: This means you have written the command incorrectly. Please make sure you are respecting capital letters, as well as the spaces exactly where they go. Notice that there is no space between the ProductKey: and the key itself.

Error code 50: Your Server has been already upgraded to the Full version. Please proceed to restart your Server twice and then apply the key directly under the System->Insert product key option or via console commands from a CMD/Powershell with administrative rights:

```
-slmgr upk  
-slmgr cpky  
-slmgr ipk XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX  
-slmgr ato
```

Other Error codes: There can be several reasons causing conflict for the product activation. Most common issues are pending updates/installations in your Server. Please restart your Server twice and try again. Another possibility is simply lack of connection to the Internet. Make sure you have an active and stable connection to the Internet that is not being blocked by a firewall or antivirus.

6. **Additional Information:** If needed, further details about the installation can be found at the following link:

<https://blogs.msdn.microsoft.com/msgulfcommunity/2013/03/06/installingwindows-server-2012-step-by-step/>

We wish you a successful activation. If you have any troubles or questions regarding the install and activation, please contact our clients support. We will help you as soon as possible.