

SUSE® Subscription Portability in the Public Cloud

The public cloud is rapidly becoming an extension of enterprise data centers. SUSE lets you treat it that way. Now you can bring your own SUSE® subscription to the cloud for use on a SUSE Certified Cloud Provider and take advantage of your existing SUSE support and sales relationships.



■ **Products:**

SUSE Linux Enterprise Server

Introduction

Cloud computing allows businesses to trade capital expense for operational expense, quickly scale up or scale down, increase business agility and speed their development process. Portable product subscriptions provide the flexibility to run on-premise or in the cloud while maintaining enterprise support for mission-critical workloads.

Bring Your Own Subscription

If you are already a SUSE customer and are moving to the cloud, you can easily migrate your existing subscriptions to the SUSE certified cloud provider of your choice. The SUSE Bring Your Own Subscription Program allows you to transfer the benefits of your current subscription, including your level of SUSE support, to your workloads running in a public cloud. That means that you can confidently extend your data center to the public cloud and ensure the same level of SUSE service across all of your infrastructures—data center, private

or public cloud—while ramping up innovation and lowering costs.

Through a simple online enrollment, SUSE customers can apply to bring their existing SUSE subscriptions to a SUSE Certified Cloud Provider. Once approved, they can deploy new workloads or migrate existing workloads from the data center to the public cloud.

How It Works

As a SUSE customer you simply complete the online application for bringing your existing subscriptions to the cloud; you will receive a response in short order. You can bring your own subscription to select SUSE Cloud Service Providers, as indicated on the SUSE Public Cloud website. SUSE has made base product images publicly available in the cloud customer portals of the select providers that are currently eligible under the Bring Your Own Subscription Program. There is no additional cost from SUSE for transferring subscriptions to the

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public cloud. Standard or Priority support subscriptions for eligible SUSE products may be moved, and the level of support entitlement and the duration of the subscription that the enterprise customer owns for on-premise use does not change when transferring subscriptions for use in the public cloud.

An existing SUSE subscription that covers a two-socket physical server in the data center can be used for two cloud instances in one of the certified public clouds. More than two cloud instances will require multiple subscriptions; for example, four cloud instances would require two subscriptions.

Customers running SUSE products in the public cloud using a portable subscription will be maintained in the same manner as they were on-premise. Customers will continue to directly access the SUSE Customer Center or use the Subscription Management Tool (SMT) server or SUSE

Manager to patch, update and maintain their cloud images just as they maintain on-premise servers.

SUSE Makes It Easy to Run Workloads in the Cloud

The most interoperable platform for mission-critical computing across physical, virtual and cloud environments, SUSE Linux Enterprise Server enables enterprises to rapidly deploy workloads with confidence and manage the complete lifecycle of workloads in the cloud as they do in the data center. Customers who take their SUSE subscriptions to a SUSE Certified Cloud Provider ensure access to a supported cloud environment backed by SUSE global support services.

To find out how you can take advantage of the Bring Your Own Subscription capability at SUSE Certified Cloud Providers and protect your investment by leveraging your existing SUSE support relationship, visit the SUSE Public Cloud website.



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