

System Center Essentials: System Requirements

To use the Microsoft System Center Essentials 2010 server, you need:

Processor Speed

Dual core machine with 2.8 GHz or faster processors

RAM

4 GB RAM or more

Hard-Disk Space

20 GB of available hard disk space (1 GB on the system drive); 150 GB of available hard disk space if planning virtualization management

CD and DVD Drive

DVD-compatible drive

Monitor Resolution

1024 x 768 or higher-resolution monitor

Operating System

Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 Standard or Enterprise Edition, X64; or Windows Server 2008 Standard or Enterprise Edition, x86 or x64; or Windows Server 2003 Standard or Enterprise Edition, x86 or x64, with Service Pack 2 (SP2) or later; or Windows Small Business Server 2008, x64 only; or Windows Essentials Business Server 2008, x64 only

To use the virtualization management features in System Center Essentials 2010, you need Windows Server 2008 R2 Standard or Enterprise Edition, X64; or Windows Server 2008 Standard or Enterprise Edition, x64

Virtual machine hosts are supported on the following systems:

- Windows Server 2008 R2, x64 only
- Windows Server 2008 Standard or Enterprise Edition, x64
- Windows Server 2003 with SP1 or later, x86 or x64

Certifications

Certified for Windows Server 2008 R2

Prerequisites

- Microsoft .NET Framework, version 3.5 with SP1 or later
- Active Directory must be deployed in the environment

- Customers using Microsoft SQL Standard may require a separate server and should refer to the documentation at www.microsoft.com/sce for additional guidance

Other Prerequisites

- Internet functionality requires Internet access (fees may apply)
- Actual requirements will vary based on your system configuration and the management packs and number of features you choose to install