Changes for Publishing Updates to Configuration Manager Using Third-Party Catalogs

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# 1. Introduction

In a Microsoft Configuration Manager environment, administrators frequently need to publish updates from third-party vendors. For Patch My PC customers, there have traditionally been three primary methods to accomplish this:

1. System Center Update Publisher (SCUP)
2. In-console publishing within Microsoft Configuration Manager
3. Patch My PC Publisher (on-premises publishing tool)

However, with the deprecation of System Center Update Publisher (SCUP) in January 2024, customers still relying on SCUP must now transition to an alternative method. This document is designed to guide those customers through the process of selecting and implementing a new approach for publishing third-party updates to Configuration Manager.

We strongly recommend using the **Patch My PC Publisher** as the preferred method for publishing updates. For customers unable to use this publishing tool, we provide guidance on transitioning to the in-console publishing method within Configuration Manager.

Additionally, this document addresses the needs of customers currently using the in-console method who are considering moving to Patch My PC Publisher for third-party update management. It provides an overview of each method, including their advantages and disadvantages, to help customers choose the best option for their business.

## 1.1 Assistance with Migration

Patch My PC will help customers transition from SCUP or in-console publishing to using the Patch My PC Publisher. Patch My PC will offer technical guidance over email or Teams and can assist with platform migration over a remote support session.

In the first instance, customers should liaise with their account executive to understand the license up-lift required to move to a license subscription which allows publishing of third-party apps and updates using the Patch My PC Publisher. Licensing requirements are detailed in section 7 of this document.

## 1.2 Guided Scenarios and Video Overview

Patch My PC provides overview videos to complement this document, explaining the tooling and concepts involved for migrating from one publishing platform to another. These videos can be found at:- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dXf1eICDkeU>

# 2. System Center Update Publisher (SCUP)

## 2.1 Overview of SCUP

System Center Update Publisher (SCUP) is a standalone tool provided by Microsoft for managing and publishing third-party updates to WSUS. It allows administrators to import catalogs, create, modify, and publish updates to WSUS, which can then be deployed using WSUS or Configuration Manager.

## 2.2 Pros and Cons of SCUP

Pros:-

* Comprehensive control over updates.
* Ability to create and modify custom updates.
* Integration with WSUS and Configuration Manager.
* Remote publishing to WSUS.

Cons:-

* Separate tool requiring additional management.
* Limited integration with modern management tools.
* Limited customization of third-party updates.
* Unable to leverage new features from Patch My PC, such as Custom Apps.
* Deprecated as of January 2024, making it obsolete.

## 2.3 Deprecation of SCUP

Microsoft officially deprecated SCUP in January 2024. Continuing to use SCUP is not recommended due to the lack of updates and support, which may introduce security and compatibility risks into customer environments. Read the announcement at <https://patchmypc.com/system-center-update-publisher-deprecated>

## 2.4 Recommendation

Organizations still using SCUP should plan to transition to using Patch My PC Publisher as soon as possible. This transition will ensure continued support, security, and access to new features from Patch My PC. Please refer to section 6.1.

**Note:** If there is a strict requirement to publish third-party updates to a remote WSUS server because you do not have direct access to the top-level Software Update Point in your hierarchy, customers should instead consider using the in-console publishing method in Configuration Manager which is still a supported method to publish third-party catalogs. Please refer to section 6.3.

# 3. Configuration Manager "In-Console" Publishing

## 3.1 Overview of In-Console Publishing

The [**Third-Party Software Update Catalogs**](https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/mem/configmgr/sum/deploy-use/third-party-software-updates) node in Configuration Manager, commonly referred to as “in-console publishing” allows administrators to subscribe to third-party catalogs, publish the updates from those catalogs to a software update point (SUP), and then deploy the updates to clients. This method of publishing updates provides a more integrated approach, reducing the need for separate tools like SCUP but lacks essential customization features.

## 3.2 Pros and Cons of In-Console Publishing

Pros:-

* Seamless integration with Configuration Manager.
* Simplified management with fewer tools.
* Continued support and regular updates from Microsoft.
* Easier to set up and maintain compared to SCUP.

Cons:-

* No customization option for third-party updates.
* Unable to leverage new innovative features from Patch My PC, such as Custom Apps.

## 3.3 Recommendation

Organizations using the in-console publishing feature in Configuration Manager should plan to transition to using Patch My PC Publisher. While in-console publishing using third-party catalogs is still fully supported, customers will be missing out on new features and customizations introduced in the Patch My PC Publisher. Please refer to section 6.2.

**Note:** If there is a strict requirement to publish third-party updates to a remote WSUS server because you do not have direct access to the top-level Software Update Point in your hierarchy, customers can continue to use the in-console publishing method in Configuration Manager.

# 4. Patch My PC Publisher

## 4.1 Overview of Patch My PC Publisher

Patch My PC Publisher is a comprehensive tool, installed on a single Windows operating system, used for customizing and publishing third-party applications and updates to WSUS, Configuration Manager and Intune.

## 4.2 Pros and Cons of Patch My PC Publisher

Pros:-

* The ability to create both updates and applications in WSUS, Configuration Manager and Intune.
* Many customization options.
* Modern features such as supporting custom apps, webhook notifications and more
* Automatically detect software based on Configuration Manager hardware inventory and keep applications up-to-date automatically.
* Email and Webhook notifications.
* Multiple options to synchronize the catalog.
* Integration with Patch My PC Cloud.
* No agent required for client devices.
* Single console installation on the Software Update Point (SUP).
* Automatically update applications in a Task Sequence.
* Automatically clean-up un-needed WSUS content.

Cons:-

* Publishing to a remote WSUS server is not currently possible.
* Console access is only possible from the Software Update Point (directly or by using RDP).

## 4.3 Recommendation

Patch My PC encourages all customers to use the Patch My PC Publisher to publish third-party updates to WSUS and Intune and third-party applications to Configuration Manager and Intune.

# 5. Feature Comparison

The following table highlights the feature differences between the 3 different publishing methods mentioned in this document:-

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Feature** | **SCUP** | **In-Console Publishing** | **Patch My PC Publisher** |
| Publish third-party updates to [WSUS/ConfigMgr](https://docs.patchmypc.com/installation-guides/configmgr/updates?_gl=1*95zk82*_gcl_aw*R0NMLjE3MTc3NzcwNDUuQ2p3S0NBanczNHF6QmhCbUVpd0FPVVFjRjQ4VU1IazRNMUpJVHJ6bW5WaTNlRnM5Zm1lZVFCYTlIVF9XNWpsejA5enFZcTZoWnJEakJob0NRYjhRQXZEX0J3RQ..*_gcl_au*MTM3MjI4Nzg3MC4xNzIxODk3ODAw) | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Automatically publish updates on a scheduled sync | - | Yes | Yes |
| Publish updates to a remote WSUS server | Yes | Yes | - |
| Disable [self-update feature](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#disable-updates) for updates  | - | - | Yes |
| Interactively [notify users](https://patchmypc.com/manage-conflicting-processes-when-updating-third-party-applications) when installing applications | - | - | Yes |
| Remove [public desktop shortcuts](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#delete-shortcut) post update | - | - | Yes |
| Add custom [pre/post update scripts](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#custom-scripts)  | - | - | Yes |
| Modify installation commands for updates | Yes | - | Yes |
| Save update [install logs](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#install-logging) to a central location | - | - | Yes |
| Add [MST Transform Files](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#mst-transform) to updates | - | - | Yes |
| Fully customize [third-party update packages](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications) | - | - | Yes |
| Automatically publish updates on a [scheduled sync](https://docs.patchmypc.com/installation-guides/configmgr/sync-schedule) | - | - | Yes |
| Automatically [create ConfigMgr applications](https://patchmypc.com/base-installations-now-available-for-microsoft-sccm)  | - | - | Yes |
| Automatically create [Intune applications](https://patchmypc.com/introducing-automated-win32-application-management-for-microsoft-intune) | - | - | Yes |
| Add [custom applications](https://docs.patchmypc.com/installation-guides/custom-apps)  | - | - | Yes |
| Use [Intune Filters](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#filters) for assigning applications  | - | - | Yes |
| [Pause](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#pause-product-updates) application creation for specific products | - | - | Yes |
| Add [categories](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#ManageCategories) to applications for easy sorting  | - | - | Yes |
| Add [security scopes](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#security-scopes) to applications in ConfigMgr | - | - | Yes |
| Add [scope tags](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#Manage-RoleScopeTags) to applications in Intune | - | - | Yes |
| Add applications to [ESPs for Autopilot in Intune](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#Manage-ESP)  | - | - | Yes |
| Set [applications as featured](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#featured-applications) in ConfigMgr and Intune | - | - | Yes |
| Dynamically deploy updates in Intune based on [security data](https://patchmypc.com/manage-dynamic-assignments)  | - | - | Yes |
| Top-ranked [customer support](https://patchmypc.com/frequently-asked-questions#support) included | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Live chat  | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Tailored onboarding | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dedicated account executive | Yes | Yes | Yes |

# 6. Migration Scenarios

## 6.1 SCUP to Patch My PC Publisher Migration

The transition from using SCUP to publishing third-party updates to Patch My PC Publisher is the recommended migration path for Patch My PC customers. Typically, customers would need a different license level which is covered in section 7 of this document.

### 6.1.1 SCUP Migration Considerations

The following items should be considered when considering moving from SCUP to Patch My PC Publisher:-

**Non Service-Affecting Considerations**

* Existing updates from the Patch My PC catalog, published using SCUP, will not be removed from the WSUS or Configuration Manager database.
* If a newer version of an update is published using the Patch My PC Publisher, older updates already published to WSUS using SCUP will be superseded as normal/expected.
* API and URL endpoints remain unchanged.
* Existing WSUS SSL certificates do not need to be changed.
* Existing WSUS code-signing certificate does not need to be renewed if either the following conditions are met:-
	+ The private key of the certificate is marked as exportable.
	+ SCUP is already installed on the top-level SUP and the code-signing certificate is in the WSUS certificate store for the local computer.

**Service Affecting Considerations**

* Any meta-data customizations being applied to updates created by SCUP must be added manually back when creating the updates using Patch My PC Publisher.
* If a previous version of an update was customized using SCUP, and Patch My PC Publisher performs a synchronization, those customizations will be overwritten. The update will be revised if the version synchronized by Patch My PC Publisher matches the existing version that was previously published using SCUP.
* Patch My PC Publisher must be installed on the top-level SUP. This might be a CAS in the hierarchy. Access to the CAS might be limited in some environments to configure the Patch My PC Publisher. If customers are unable to access the CAS, consideration should be given to moving to the in-console publishing method instead. Please refer to section 6.3.
* Customizations to updates and/or applications applied using the Patch My PC Publisher will result in small Patch My PC “helper” binaries being packaged inside the update CAB file and/or application source folder. These binaries are used to customize the installation of third-party updates and applications. Environments that utilize whitelisting technologies such as Microsoft AppLocker or Windows Defender Application Control might need to trust the Publisher of these helper binaries. Note: All Patch My PC helper binaries are signed by Patch My PC.
* Customers must choose whether they want to deploy meta-data only or full content when synchronizing updates using the Patch My PC Publisher. Unlike SCUP, there is not a threshold configuration that will automatically deploy content to WSUS for updates based on the number of devices that require the update in the customers environment.

### 6.1.2 SCUP Migration Overview

Transitioning from System Center Updates Publisher (SCUP) to Patch My PC Publisher involves several key steps. Below is a migration overview:-

1. **Review Migration Video**
Review the accompanying video to this document for an overview of the migration from SCUP to Patch My PC Publisher. Refer to section 1.2.
2. **Engage with Technical Support**
Reach out to our support engineers to discuss the technicalities of migrating the publishing method/tool. Refer to section 9.
3. **Assess Current Environment**
Check compatibility with existing systems. Please refer to section 8 of this document for Patch My PC Publisher requirements and <https://patchmypc.com/supported-versions-of-configuration-manager-and-wsus-for-patch-my-pc>
4. **Install Patch My PC** **Publisher**
Download and install Patch My PC on the top-level Software Update Point (SUP) from <https://patchmypc.com/msi>
5. **Configure Publisher Settings**
Set up Patch My PC Publisher with the necessary configurations (e.g., license key, proxy settings, update selection, default logging options, Manage Conflicting Processes.
6. **Sync Updates**
Perform an initial synchronization to download and publish updates from Patch My PC using the Patch My PC Publisher.
7. **Review PatchMyPC.log**Review the PatchMyPC.log for any alerts during the initial synchronization. Log lines beginning “\*\*\* Report” are useful to review.
8. **Re-Publish Updates**It may be necessary to re-publish updates that have already been published in your environment if you have customized them in the Patch My PC Publisher. More info can be found at <https://patchmypc.com/when-and-how-to-republish-third-party-updates>
9. **Publish Updates to Configuration Manager**Perform a Software Update Point Sync.
10. **Review wsyncmgr.log**Review wsyncmgr.log on the site server to review the initial synchronization of updates from WSUS to Configuration Manager.
11. **Deploy Updates**
Review existing Automatic Deployment Rule(s) (ADR’s) to use Configuration Manager to deploy updates to client machines.
12. **Monitor and Adjust**
Monitor the deployment process and adjust settings as needed for optimization.

## 6.2 In-Console Publishing to Patch My PC Publisher Migration

The transition from using in-console publishing for third-party updates to Patch My PC Publisher requires some consideration. Typically, customers would need a different license level which is covered in section 7 of this document.

### 6.2.1 In-Console Publishing Migration Considerations

The following items should be considered when considering moving from in-console publishing to using Patch My PC Publisher:-

**Non Service-Affecting Considerations**

* Existing updates from the Patch My PC catalog, published using in-console publishing, will not be removed from the WSUS or Configuration Manager database.
* If a newer version of an update is published using the Patch My PC Publisher, older updates already published to WSUS using in-console will be superseded as normal/expected.
* API and URL endpoints remain unchanged.
* Existing WSUS SSL certificates do not need to be changed.
* Existing WSUS code-signing certificate does not need to be renewed if either the following conditions are met:-
	+ The private key of the certificate is marked as exportable.
	+ A valid code-signing certificate already exists in the WSUS certificate store for the local computer.

**Service Affecting Considerations**

* If a previous version of an update was published using the in-console method, and Patch My PC Publisher performs a synchronization, the update will be revised.
* The Patch My PC Publisher must be installed on the top-level SUP. This might be a CAS in the hierarchy. Access to the CAS might be limited in some environments to configure the Patch My PC Publisher. If customers are unable to access the CAS, in-console publishing must continue to be used but customers will not be able to leverage exciting feature updates, like Custom Apps or right-click customizations documented at <https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications>
* Customizations to updates and/or applications applied using the Patch My PC Publisher will result in small Patch My PC “helper” binaries being packaged inside the update CAB file and/or application source folder. These binaries are used to customize the installation of third-party updates and applications. Environments that utilize whitelisting technologies such as Microsoft AppLocker or Windows Defender Application Control might need to trust the Publisher of these helper binaries. Note: All Patch My PC helper binaries are signed by Patch My PC.

### 6.2.2 In-Console Publishing Migration Overview

Transitioning from in-console publishing to using Patch My PC Publisher involves several key steps. Below is a migration overview:-

1. **Review Migration Video**
Review the accompanying video to this document for an overview of the migration from in-console publishing to Patch My PC Publisher. Refer to section 1.2.
2. **Engage with Technical Support**
Reach out to our support engineers to discuss the technicalities of migrating the publishing method/tool. Refer to section 9.
3. **Assess Current Environment**
Check compatibility with existing systems. Please refer to section 8 of this document for Patch My PC Publisher requirements and <https://patchmypc.com/supported-versions-of-configuration-manager-and-wsus-for-patch-my-pc>
4. **Install Patch My PC** **Publisher**
Download and install Patch My PC on the top-level Software Update Point (SUP) from <https://patchmypc.com/msi>
5. **Configure Publisher Settings**
Set up Patch My PC Publisher with the necessary configurations (e.g., license key, proxy settings, update selection, default logging options, Manage Conflicting Processes.
6. **Sync Updates**
Perform an initial synchronization to download and publish updates from Patch My PC using the Patch My PC Publisher.
7. **Review PatchMyPC.log**Review the PatchMyPC.log for any alerts during the initial synchronization. Log lines beginning “\*\*\* Report” are useful to review.
8. **Re-Publish Updates**It may be necessary to re-publish updates that have already been published in your environment if you have customized them in the Patch My PC Publisher. More info can be found at <https://patchmypc.com/when-and-how-to-republish-third-party-updates>
9. **Publish Updates to Configuration Manager**Perform a Software Update Point Sync.
10. **Review wsyncmgr.log**Review wsyncmgr.log on the site server to review the initial synchronization of updates from WSUS to Configuration Manager.
11. **Deploy Updates**
Review existing Automatic Deployment Rule(s) (ADR’s) to use Configuration Manager to deploy updates to client machines.
12. **Monitor and Adjust**
Monitor the deployment process and adjust settings as needed for optimization.

## 6.3 SCUP to In-Console Publishing Migration

The transition from using SCUP to in-console publishing within Configuration Manager might be considered if there is a hard requirement for customer to publish to WSUS remotely. This migration method requires some consideration. Please refer to the license requirements in section 7 of this document.

### 6.3.1 SCUP to In-Console Publishing Migration Considerations

The following items should be considered when considering moving from SCUP to in-console publishing in Configuration manager:-

**Non Service-Affecting Considerations**

* Existing updates from the Patch My PC catalog, published using SCUP, will not be removed from the WSUS or Configuration Manager database.
* If a newer version of an update is published using the in-console method in Configuration Manager, older updates already published to WSUS using SCUP will be superseded as normal/expected.
* API and URL endpoints remain unchanged.
* Existing WSUS SSL certificates do not need to be changed.
* Existing WSUS code-signing certificate does not need to be renewed if either the following conditions are met:-
	+ The private key of the certificate is marked as exportable.
	+ SCUP is already installed on the top-level SUP and the code-signing certificate is in the WSUS certificate store for the local computer.

**Service Affecting Considerations**

* Any customizations being applied to updates created by SCUP will be lost when creating the updates using the in-console publishing method. In-console publishing does not allow any customizations of updates during publishing.
* If the last version of an update was customized using SCUP, and customers move to the in-console publishing method, those customizations will be overwritten. The update will be revised. This only applies if the same version of the update synchronized to WSUS using the in-console publishing method matches an existing version of the update that was previously published using SCUP.

### 6.3.2 SCUP to In-Console Publishing Migration Overview

Transitioning from System Center Updates Publisher (SCUP) to Patch My PC Publisher involves several key steps. Here is a migration overview:-

1. **Review Migration Video**
Review the accompanying video to this document for an overview of the migration from SCUP to the in-console publishing method. Refer to section 1.2.
2. **Engage with Technical Support**
Reach out to our support engineers to discuss the technicalities of migrating the publishing method/tool. Refer to section 9.
3. **Assess Current Environment**
Check compatibility with existing systems. Please refer to <https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/mem/configmgr/sum/deploy-use/third-party-software-updates#add-a-custom-catalog>
4. **Sync Updates**
Perform an initial synchronization to download and publish updates using the Patch My PC catalog.
5. **Review SMS\_ISVUPDATES\_SYNCAGENT.log**Review the SMS\_ISVUPDATES\_SYNCAGENT.log for any alerts during the initial synchronization.
6. **Publish Updates to Configuration Manager**Perform a Software Update Point Sync.
7. **Review wsyncmgr.log**Review wsyncmgr.log on the site server to review the initial synchronization of updates from WSUS to Configuration Manager.
8. **Deploy Updates**
Review existing Automatic Deployment Rule(s) (ADR’s) to use Configuration Manager to deploy updates to client machines.
9. **Monitor and Adjust**
Monitor the deployment process and adjust settings as needed for optimization.

# 7. Licensing

Customers publishing updates using SCUP are typically subscribed to our **Basic** subscription. At the announcement of the deprecation of SCUP by Microsoft in January 2024, Patch My PC will no longer be renewing customers at this subscription level or offering it to new customers.

The Basic subscription, used with SCUP, had many limitations, not least limited to:-

* It does not provide automated publishing of third-party software updates or applications.
* SCUP’s configuration is saved, per-user, in %AppData%.
* It does not permit the creation of third party apps in Configuration Manager, only software updates.
* It does not permit the creation of third party apps or updates in Intune.
* Update customization is very limited using SCUP and customizations do not persist across new update version.
* SCUP does not support un-signed third-party binary installers.
* No new features. Customers will not be able to leverage any of the Patch My PC Right-Click customizations or new features such as Custom Apps.
<https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications>
<https://docs.patchmypc.com/patch-my-pc-cloud/custom-apps>
* It is not possible to re-sign existing third-party updates in WSUS with SCUP.

The current subscriptions offered by Patch My PC are:-

* ~~Basic (no longer offered)~~
* ~~Intune Essentials (no longer offered)~~
* Enterprise Patch
* Enterprise Plus
* Enterprise Premium

The minimum subscription required when changing the publishing method highlighted in this document can be found in the table below:-

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Existing Publishing Method** | **Desired Publishing Method** | **Minimum Subscription Required** |
| SCUP | Patch My PC Publisher (preferred) | Enterprise Patch |
| In-Console | Patch My PC Publisher (preferred) | Enterprise Patch |
| SCUP | In-Console | Enterprise Patch |

A feature comparison between the Basic, Enterprise Patch and Enterprise Plus subscriptions can be found below:-

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Feature** | **Basic** | **Enterprise Patch** | **Enterprise Plus** |
| Publish third-party updates to [WSUS/ConfigMgr](https://docs.patchmypc.com/installation-guides/configmgr/updates?_gl=1*95zk82*_gcl_aw*R0NMLjE3MTc3NzcwNDUuQ2p3S0NBanczNHF6QmhCbUVpd0FPVVFjRjQ4VU1IazRNMUpJVHJ6bW5WaTNlRnM5Zm1lZVFCYTlIVF9XNWpsejA5enFZcTZoWnJEakJob0NRYjhRQXZEX0J3RQ..*_gcl_au*MTM3MjI4Nzg3MC4xNzIxODk3ODAw) | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Automatically publish updates on a scheduled sync | - | Yes | Yes |
| Disable [self-update feature](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#disable-updates) for updates  | - | Yes | Yes |
| Interactively [notify users](https://patchmypc.com/manage-conflicting-processes-when-updating-third-party-applications) when installing applications | - | Yes | Yes |
| Remove [public desktop shortcuts](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#delete-shortcut) post update | - | Yes | Yes |
| Add custom [pre/post update scripts](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#custom-scripts)  | - | Yes | Yes |
| Modify installation commands for updates | Limited | Yes | Yes |
| Save update [install logs](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#install-logging) to a central location | - | Yes | Yes |
| Add [MST Transform Files](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#mst-transform) to updates | - | Yes | Yes |
| Fully customize [third-party update packages](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications) | - | Yes | Yes |
| Automatically publish updates on a [scheduled sync](https://docs.patchmypc.com/installation-guides/configmgr/sync-schedule) | - | Yes | Yes |
| Automatically [create ConfigMgr applications](https://patchmypc.com/base-installations-now-available-for-microsoft-sccm)  | - | - | Yes |
| Automatically create [Intune applications](https://patchmypc.com/introducing-automated-win32-application-management-for-microsoft-intune) | - | - | Yes |
| Add [custom applications](https://docs.patchmypc.com/installation-guides/custom-apps)  | - | - | Yes |
| Use [Intune Filters](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#filters) for assigning applications  | - | - | Yes |
| [Pause](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#pause-product-updates) application creation for specific products | - | - | Yes |
| Add [categories](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#ManageCategories) to applications for easy sorting  | - | - | Yes |
| Add [security scopes](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#security-scopes) to applications in ConfigMgr | - | - | Yes |
| Add [scope tags](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#Manage-RoleScopeTags) to applications in Intune | - | - | Yes |
| Add applications to [ESPs for Autopilot in Intune](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#Manage-ESP)  | - | - | Yes |
| Set [applications as featured](https://patchmypc.com/custom-options-available-for-third-party-updates-and-applications#featured-applications) in ConfigMgr and Intune | - | - | Yes |
| [Patch Insights Reporting](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nQH3CRhpTq8) \* | - | Yes | Yes |
| Dynamically deploy updates in Intune based on [security data](https://patchmypc.com/manage-dynamic-assignments)  | - | - | Yes |
| Top-ranked [customer support](https://patchmypc.com/frequently-asked-questions#support) included | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Live chat  | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Tailored onboarding | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dedicated account executive | Yes | Yes | Yes |

\* High-level overview dashboard, Updates report, Update Groups report, Update Deployments statistics, OS Upgrade report, and verbose computer status report. Watch the Patch Insights video to learn more at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nQH3CRhpTq8>

A full feature comparison for each subscription, including Enterprise Premium, can be found at <https://patchmypc.com/request-quote#pricing-chart>

Account Executives will help customers uplift to a new subscription level and help them understand the current pricing tiers that Patch My PC offers. If customers do not know their assigned Account Executive, they should reach out to sales@patchmypc.com

# 8. Patch My PC Publisher Requirements

**Software**

* Windows Server 2012, Windows Server 2016, Windows Server 2019, Windows Server 2022
* Microsoft .NET Framework 4.6.2.
* Windows Server Update Services (WSUS) installed and configured.

**Environment**

* Internet connection.
* The relevant domain names for Patch My PC have been added to your firewall's allowlist.
* Install the Publisher on the top-level WSUS server in the hierarchy.
* The Patch My PC Publisher will require the user launching the Publisher tool to be a local administrator on the server.
* Configuration Manager Console (Only required to communicate with the SMS Provider to initiate the SUP sync and create Configuration Manager application).

**Hardware**

* CPU: 2 CPU or more.
* Memory: 8GB of RAM or more.
* Disk Space: 80GB of disk space or more.

(The amount of disk space required will depend on the number of selected products).