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1. Server Edition Virtualization

For IP Office Release 9.0, Avaya supports deployment of Server Edition servers as virtual machines on VMware.

Companies are increasingly using virtual machines to support their business needs. The use of a virtual software platform allows the customer's IT staff flexibility to maximize the use of the platform's hardware to meet the individual needs of each virtual machines it hosts. It also provides them with access to various tools that ease maintenance and monitoring processes.

Avaya supports the deployment of Server Edition servers as virtual machines. This uses an Avaya supplied file that is deployed using standard virtual machine methods. Avaya does not provide or support the virtual server software and hardware chosen by the customer.

- You must use this document in conjunction with the documentation for IP Office Server Edition, see Related Documentation 18. Those documents define the supported features, capacities and requirements of the virtual machine applications as part of the customer solution. This document only provides notes for the deployment of the server software as a virtual machine.

- For details of virtual machine deployment best practices refer to the VMware documentation.

- Avaya only supports virtual machines based on software images supplied by Avaya. Resellers and customers who create their own image files for virtual deployment are solely responsible for the support and maintenance of those products.

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1.1 Supported IP Office Applications

After deployment of the virtual image, the server software goes through an ignition process that includes selecting the server role. That selection determines the individual IP Office applications automatically enabled on the virtual machine as shown in the table below.

IP Office Server Edition Server Role	IP Office	Voicemail Pro	one-X Portal for IP Office	Contact Recorder for IP Office
IP Office Server Edition Primary Server	Yes	Yes	Yes	Optional
IP Office Server Edition Secondary Server	Yes	Yes	–	–
IP Office Server Edition Expansion System	Yes	–	–	–
IP Office Application Server	–	Optional	Optional	Optional

Application Descriptions

- **IP Office**
  For a server ignited in one of the Server Edition roles, this application performs call management and control. It allows the server to support IP connections for trunks and end user devices. It also supports and manages data services.

- **Voicemail Pro**
  A Server Edition network supports this application on Server Edition Primary Server and Server Edition Secondary Server. You can install this application on a server ignited as an Application Server.

- **one-X Portal for IP Office**
  In an Server Edition network, this application is installed on the Server Edition Primary Server by default. However, in order to increase the supported user capacity, you can disable one-X Portal for IP Office on the primary server and run it on a separate IP Office Application server instead.

- **Contact Recorder for IP Office**
  Contact Recorder for IP Office is an application used in conjunction with Voicemail Pro. It provides long-term storage and retrieval of call recordings made by Voicemail Pro. However, it is only supported on the same server as Voicemail Pro when it uses a separate hard disk or disk partition. This manual includes details for adding an additional virtual hard disk for Contact Recorder for IP Office use. This option is supported with IP Office Release 9.0.2 and higher.

1.2 Virtual Server Support

Supported Virtual Servers

Avaya supports the IP Office virtual machine on the following virtual server platforms:

- **VMware vSphere**
  For IP Office 9.0.6 supports VMware 5.x up to and including the latest VMware vSphere ESXi 5.5. Support includes the Standard, Enterprise and Enterprise Plus variants.

Supported Virtual Server Features

- **vCenter**

- **vMotion**
  See vMotion Requirements .

- **Snapshot**
  The virtual machine must be powered off before taking or deleting a snapshot. The VMware snapshot feature can provide a fall back point to the previous instance of a virtual machine. This can provide a fall back option when performing operations such as upgrades. After performing an upgrade operation, it is recommended that you delete the snapshot. Running a virtual machine with snapshots degrades its performance. Note that deleting a snapshot can take some time to complete.

- **OVA Deployment**

- **Soft Power Off**

1.3 Supported Hardware and Virtual Machine Requirements

Supported Hardware

For a searchable list of hardware platforms, refer to http://www.vmware.com/resources/compatibility/search.php. The platform must support at least 2 Ethernet interfaces.

The web page
http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en_US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=1003661 lists the hardware requirements for VMware ESXi. The total hardware requirements are those of all the virtual machines plus the vSphere infrastructure requirements.

Supported VMware vSphere Platforms

See Virtual Server Support ⌐10⌐. Please refer to VMware's website (http://www.vmware.com/files/pdf/support/Product-Lifecycle-Matrix.pdf) for current supported VMware software.

Minimum Hardware and Software Requirements

Avaya provides IP Office virtualization software in an OVA format. This framework must meet minimum resource requirements of vSphere infrastructure and OVA. The following are high-level software and hardware requirements:

- Latest VMware vSphere 5.x software. See Supported VMware vSphere Platforms above.

- VMware vSphere client software. vCenter is supported but not required.

- VMware compatible hardware platform. See the links above.

- Intel-based CPUs from the Xeon family with 2 GHz clock speed or better. 2.4 GHz recommended.

- The RAM size must satisfy the ESXi requirements (see the link above) in addition to the specific RAM requirements of the virtual machines deployed. The profiling section lists the requirements for IP Office virtual machines. 6GB and higher is recommended.

- 2 Ethernet interfaces (more recommended if using vMotion)

To determine the required virtual server platform:

1. Refer to the Profiling ⌐12⌐ section to assess the total requirements for the IP Office virtual machines.

2. Add in the requirements for any other virtual machines.

3. Add in the underlying requirements for the virtual server software itself. See the link above.

4. Note the minimum requirements above.

5. Note the requirements for vMotion. See vMotion Requirements ⌐11⌐.

6. Assess the compatibility of potential server platforms using the VMware site link above.

1.3.1 vMotion Requirements

vMotion allows you to move an existing virtual machine from one virtual server platform to another with minimal interruption to the operation of the virtual machine. For example, this may be necessary if the existing server platform resources become exhausted.

For IP Office virtual machines, using vMotion allows you to move the virtual machine without changing its **System Identification** and requiring new IP Office licenses. If the virtual machine is running one-X Portal for IP Office, any existing sessions may have to log in again after the move.

To use vMotion:
- Each server platform requires 2 Gigabit Ethernet ports with one port dedicated to vMotion traffic.

- The server platform CPUs must be similar, that is, from the same manufacturer and using similar processor architectures.

- The Ethernet switch connecting the two servers must be minimum 10GbE.

- vMotion imposes specific storage requirements. Several options exist including iSCSI and local storage, among others. Please refer to VMware vMotion documentation for detailed requirements.

- To decrease chances of one-X Portal for IP Office connectivity interruptions, it is recommended that vMotion operation is done at times of low IP Office use.

1.3.2 Profiling

The IP Office OVA installs the following default virtual machine.

- **CPU:** 4 vCPU

- **RAM:** 8000MB

- **Hard Disk:** 100GB

- **Network Ports:** Dual Gigabit

After deployment of a virtual machine, you can optimize the resources allocated to meet the actual requirements of the virtual machine. For example, if the virtual machine will only support 50 users out of the maximum of 1500, you can reduce the allocated processor and RAM memory. This allows for the best use of the overall resources provided by the virtual server platform.

The tables below shows the tested and supported profile values for different IP Office virtual machine usages.

Server Type		Server Edition Primary Server/Server Edition Secondary Server							
Users		20	50	100	200	500	1000	2000	100
one-X Portal for IP Office		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
CPUs		2	2	2	2-3	3-6	4-7	5-8	1-2
Aggregate CPU Cycles (GHz)	Allocated	2.04	3.23	3.45	5.22	10.12	13.25	14.84	3.55
	Reserved	2.04	2.59	2.76	4.18	8.1	10.6	11.88	2.84
RAM	Allocated	4096	5234	5234	5234	5785	6459	7219	4096
	Reserved	4096	4188	4188	4188	4628	5168	5776	4096

Server Type		Server Edition Expansion System (L)				
Users		10	50	100	500	750
CPUs		1	1	1	1	1
Aggregate CPU Cycles (GHz)	Allocated	0.73	0.93	0.93	1.45	1.45
	Reserved	0.59	0.75	0.75	1.16	1.16
RAM	Allocated	981	1080	1235	1336	1336
	Reserved	785	988	988	1069	1069

Server Type		Application Server			
one-X Portal for IP Office Users		50	100	250	750
Voicemail Channels		20	50	100	150
CPUs		2-3	3-4	5-8	6-10
Aggregate CPU Cycles (GHz)	Allocated	4.23	7.34	15.98	19.87
	Reserved	3.39	5.88	12.79	15.9
Memory	Allocated	4712	4777	5758	9538
	Reserved	3770	3822	4607	7631

Profiling Other Virtual Machines

It is in customers best interest and in vSphere administrator best practices to monitor resource utilization of the virtual machines running in their infrastructure. We strongly encourage the customers to profile not only our virtual machines but others they might be running on their ESXi servers to precisely fine-tune hardware resources that are allocated to the virtual machines. This will improve performance by allocating resources where they are needed and optimize the use of their virtual infrastructure.

Restrictions

- **Network Ports**
  You must configure all IP Office virtual machines with two Ethernet ports. If using vMotion, additional network port requirement apply. See vMotion Considerations 11 .

- **Hard Disk**
  Regardless of the IP Office virtual machine's role, it requires 100GB of allocated hard drive space.

- **Multiple Virtual Servers and Disk Storage Access Speed Requirements (IOPS/30 per server)**
  To maintain acceptable performance the number of virtual machines that runs on an ESXi host should not exceed the IOPS (Input/Output Operations per Second) of the disk storage divided by 30. To compute how many IOPS your storage configuration produce you should know the hard disk type, RAID configuration, number of drives. For example: A 10K SAS disk has 150 IOPS available which generates an acceptable performance for 5 virtual machines. Refer to http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en_US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=1031773 for further details.

- **Multiple IP Office Servers** *(Virtual and or Non-Virtual)*
  If deploying both a primary and secondary then the hardware resources assigned to each must consider the resiliency scenario when users re-register from one server (virtual machine) to the other. It is recommended that the primary and secondary have the same resources allocated. If there is a mix of dedicated hardware (non-virtualized IP Office) and virtualized IP Office operating as primary and secondary, then the assignment of resources to the virtual machine must match the hardware resources available in the dedicated hardware.

1.4 Licensing and System Identification

Licenses entered into the IP Office application configuration enable various IP Office applications and features. The IP Office applications running on an IP Office virtual machine require the same licenses as on a non-virtual Server Edition deployment.

Avaya bases each license on the unique **System Identification** of the intended server. For an IP Office virtual machine, the IP Office generates the **System Identification** based on a number of factors:

- **Deployment Specific Factors**
  The **System Identification** is partial based on a number of factors relating to the particular virtual machine's deployment. Redeploying the virtual machine will change its **System Identification**. That will immediately invalidate any licenses already in the IP Office configuration. To move the virtual machine to another virtual server platform without requiring new licenses, use vMotion.

- **Configuration Specific Factors**
  The **System Identification** is also partial based on the following parameters of the virtual machine. Changing any of these parameters changes the virtual machine's **System Identification**:

  - **Host Name**

  - **LAN1 IP Address**

  - **LAN2 IP Address**

  - **Timezone**

License Grace Period

If the virtual machine already contains licenses and the System Identification changes, the licenses remain valid for a 30-day grace period. During that 30-day period, if you make more than 5 further changes to the parameters above, the existing licenses become invalid immediately. Therefore, we strongly recommend that you finalize all these parameters before acquiring any licenses from Avaya.

1.5 Duplicate IP Address Issue

The virtual machine deploys by default with two virtual network interfaces and two IP addresses, LAN1 and LAN2. When starting, if a duplicate IP address is detected, ie. the address is already in use, the IP Office application will not start.

For example, if you deploy two IP Office virtual machines and only configure the LAN1 address on each, the matching default LAN2 addresses (192.168.43.1) on each causes the IP Office application on both virtual machines to stop.

Therefore, during deployment, you must ensure that the deployment of one IP Office virtual machine has completed, including setting the LAN1 and LAN2 IP addresses to their required values, before starting the deployment of any other IP Office virtual machine.

If the LAN2 port of an IP Office virtual machine is not required, you can disable it. This reduces the risks of conflicts. Disabling a port is detailed as an optional step in the deployment process in this manual. See Disabling a Network Interface 31.

1.6 Differences in Operation

Largely, the operations of virtual version of Server Edition match that of the non-virtual Server Edition installations. However, the following specific differences apply.

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- The Original RPM Files for Avaya applications are not installed 15
- No USB support 15
- No Blu-Ray/DVD archiving for Contact Recorder for IP Office 16
- The VNC menu 16
- Primary cannot upgrade other servers 16

Similarly, the following VMware operation notes apply to the IP Office virtual machine:

- Do not upgrade the VMware Tools 15

1.6.1 Original RPM Files Not Installed

The installation of a non-virtual machine includes copying the original RPM files used for each component's installation onto the server. Therefore, after uninstalling a component, using the **Updates** menu and clicking **Uninstall**, the presence of the original RPM allows reinstallation by clicking **Install**.

In order to reduce the size of the Avaya OVA file, it does not include the original RPM files. This has the following effects:

- **You cannot reinstall uninstalled components**
  You cannot reinstall a component (RPM) if you delete it from the server's **Updates** menu. Instead you need to transfer the appropriate RPMs to the server first.

- **You cannot upgrade other servers from the primary**
  If the server is a Server Edition Primary Server, it cannot be used to upgrade any Server Edition Secondary Server or Server Edition Expansion System (L) servers to match its software level. However, it can be used to upgrade Server Edition Expansion System (V2) servers.

Both issues above can be resolved as follows:

- Follow the server upgrade process to upload an ISO image to the server. This involves transferring a copy of the full ISO to the server from which it unpacks a full set of the RPM files.

- For an individual component, the Software Repositories section of the server's Settings | General menu can be used to upload individual RPM files or zipped sets of RPM files.

1.6.2 No USB Support

Avaya does not support features that require access to the virtual machine's USB port. That includes using the USB port for upgrades and for external music on hold.

1.6.3 VMware Tools

Avaya packages VMware Tools version 8.6.0.6261 (build-45873) as part of the IP Office 9.0 OVA. This software is tailored by VMware for the operating system used by IP Office and is used by VMware management software tools such as vSphere Client and vCenter in completing requested administrative tasks. You should not upgrade VMware Tools. Doing so could destabilize operation of the virtual machine and affect performance.

1.6.4 Contact Recorder for IP Office Archiving

The Contact Recorder for IP Office application can be configured so that during operation, when the disk partition it is using nears full capacity, older recordings are archived onto a Blu-Ray -R or DVD+RW disk. However, when being run on a virtual machine, this method of archiving is not supported. Instead Contact Recorder for IP Office delete the oldest recordings when required to create space for new recordings.

Note that archiving of old recording onto network attached storage (NAS) devices is still supported.

1.6.5 Primary Cannot Upgrade Other Servers

In a Server Edition network, the Server Edition Primary Server can upgrade its connected Server Edition Secondary Server and Server Edition Expansion System (L) servers to the same software level as itself. However, this does not work if the Server Edition Primary Server is a newly installed virtual machine.

This issue is related to the fact the the OVA deployment does not include a set of the original RPM files required for reinstallation of IP Office components. See Original RPM Files Not Installed 15.

The solution is to upload an ISO image of the software release to the Server Edition Primary Server using any of the documented methods 46.

1.6.6 VNC Menu Operation

In some cases it has been found that the VNC menu does not work correctly. This is related to the version of VMware tools installed with the OVA.

This can be resolved by removing a particular plug-in file from the VMware tools installed with the OVA as follows:

1. Log into the virtual machine as the root user.

2. Remove (or rename) the file "*/usr/lib/vmware-tools/plugins/vmusr/libresolutionSet.so*".

For further details refer to http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en_US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=2013891.

1.7 Disk Format Selection

During the virtual machine deployment, you select how the VMware server should allocate space for the virtual machine's virtual hard disk. The options vary depend on the version of vSphere:

- **Thick Provision Eager Zeroed**
  This method allocates the storage space to the virtual machine during deployment. It offers best performance once the virtual machine is running. However, it means that space becomes unavailable to other virtual machines even if not being used. This is the best option if the customer intends to store numerous voicemail messages. Note that this option can significantly increase the initial deployment time.

- **Thick Provision Lazy Zero**
  This method allocates the storage space during deployment. It does not offer better performance than Thin Provision but also does not significantly increase the deployment time.

- **Thin Provision**
  This method allocates spaces for the virtual machine as and when the space is required, that is, during normal operation rather than during deployment. Until allocated, the space is available for any virtual machine. This may be the best option for customers who will only make light use of voicemail storage and where storage space is in high demand on the server.

1.8 Alarms

The vSphere clients **Performance** tab displays performance information for individual virtual machines and for the whole ESXi server. vCenter further extends the capabilities of monitoring this performance on long term basis.

In addition to the above performance monitors for any virtual machines, for IP Office virtual machines a number of specific alarms are available that can be output to other applications. The alarms are warning alarms, critical alarms and OK alarms for when usage returns to below the alarm threshold.

Alarm	Alarm Threshold	
	Warning Alarm	**Critical Alarm**
CPU Clock Cycles	90%	95%
RAM Memory	85%	97%
Hard Disk Input/Output	15%	25%
Network	15%	25%

Viewing Alarms

You can view and or receive the alarms in a number of ways:

- They appear in the alarms shown by the server's web control menus. Refer to the Server Edition documentation.

- Within the configuration of the IP Office application on the virtual machine, you can select to output alarms to SNMP, Syslog and or email. Refer to the IP Office Manager manual.

- System Status Application displays these alarms when connected to the virtual machine.

1.9 Related Documentation

This section lists the related documents for the products and solutions referenced in this document. These documents are available from the Avaya support website (http://support.avaya.com).

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	Document	Document ID
1	IP Office Server Edition Solution Overview Guide	100175142
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IP Office Application Server

	Document	Document ID
1	IP Office Application Server Installation and Maintenance Manual	100174011

IP Office

	Document	Document ID
1	IP Office Manager	100174478
2	IP Office Web Manager for Server Edition and Standard Mode	100175049

Voicemail Pro

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1	Implementing Voicemail Pro	100174760
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3	Voicemail Pro Example Exercises	100073436

one-X Portal for IP Office

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1	Implementing one-X Portal for IP Office	100175163
2	Administering one-X Portal for IP Office	100175204
3	Using one-X Portal for IP Office	100175220

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1	Contact Recorder for IP Office Installation	100174010
2	Administering Contact Recorder for IP Office	100174856
3	Using Contact Recorder for IP Office	100174857

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5. Use the **Choose Release** drop-down to select the required IP Office release.

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1.10 Security

The normal security requirements and options are covered in the documentation of the separate IP Office products. This section only details any addition requirements specifically caused by the product being hosted on VMware.

POODLE SSL3 Vulnerability

The POODLE (Padding Oracle On Downgraded Legacy Encryption) vulnerability currently potentially affects browser based access to VMware products. Note this is a VMware issue and not an IP Office product issue. For further details refer to http://kb.vmware.com/selfservice/microsites/search.do?language=en_US&cmd=displayKC&externalId=2092133.

Resolution

To mitigate the issue, disable SSL v3 in your browser. Please review or contact the browser vendor for documentation on how to disable SSL v3.

- Current VMware products support TLS and therefore continue to function when SSL v3 is disabled in the browser.

- VMware is planning to phase out the support of SSL v3 in its products during the next available maintenance releases.

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Chapter 2.
Virtual Machine Deployment

2. Virtual Machine Deployment

This section outlines the steps required to install an IP Office virtual machine. If deploying several virtual machines, for example a Server Edition Primary Server and Server Edition Secondary Server, the order of deployment and configuration is the same as per the Server Edition Deployment manual.

- **! IMPORTANT**
  During deployment you must ensure that the deployment of one IP Office virtual machine has completed, including the server ignition process and setting the LAN1 and LAN2 IP addresses to their required operational values, before starting the deployment of any other IP Office virtual machine. This is necessary to minimize the risk of duplicate IP addresses which cause the IP Office application to stop. See Duplicate IP Address Issue 14.

Process Summary

1. **Confirm the system settings** 23

2. **Download the software** 23
   Download the OVA file for the IP Office release. Also download the IP Office Technical Bulletin for the release and, if required, the non-English TTS ISO files.

3. **Deploy the OVA file** 24
   Deploy the OVA file onto the virtual server platform, creating a new virtual machine.

   a. **Adding an Additional Hard Disk for Contact Recorder for IP Office** 26
      This optional step is required if both Voicemail Pro and Contact Recorder for IP Office are required on the same server.

4. **Virtual machine profiling** 27
   Adjust the default allocated resources of the virtual machine to match the requirements of the virtual machine's usage.

   a. **Adjusting the RAM Memory** 28
      Set the amount of RAM reserved for and useable by the virtual machine.

   b. **Adjusting the CPU Cores** 29
      Set the number of CPU cores emulated by the virtual machine.

   c. **Adjusting the CPU Cycles** 30
      Set the number of CPU cycles reserved for and useable by the virtual machine.

   d. **Disabling a Network Interface** 31
      Optionally remove the virtual machines second LAN interface.

5. **Power on the virtual machine** 32
   Start the virtual machine.

6. **Connecting to the virtual machine** 32
   Connect a browser to the virtual machine using the default IP address settings.

7. **Performing server ignition** 35
   Select the role for the virtual machine and set basic settings.

8. **Logging in to IP Office Web Manager** 38
   Log in to the server using a web browser.

9. **IP Office initial configuration** 39
   Use IP Office Manager to perform initial configuration of the IP Office application.

10. **Copying the IP Office certificate** 40
    Share the IP Office certificate with the other server applications.

11. **Adding Non-English TTS prompts** 41
    Optional. If intending to use text-to-speech (TTS) in a language other than English, add the additional language files.

Following the installation processes above, configuration of the applications provided by the virtual machine is the same as for a non-virtual machine deployment. Refer to the separate documentation. See Related Documentation 18.

2.1 Confirm the System Settings

The virtual machine bases its **System Identification** used for licensing 14 on several configuration settings. Changing those values after obtaining any licenses invalidates those licenses.

In addition, any duplication of IP addresses, even the temporary default IP addresses, will cause the IP Office application to not start and any existing IP Office applications to stop.

Therefore, before deploying the virtual machine and obtaining any licenses, you must confirm with the customer the final values for the following:

- **Host Name**
- **LAN1 IP Address**
- **LAN2 IP Address**
- **Timezone**

2.2 Downloading the Software

Avaya makes software for each IP Office release available from the Avaya support website (http://support.avaya.com) in the following formats:

- **OVA File**
  You use this type of file for the initial deployment of a virtual machine.

- **ISO File**
  You can use this type of file to upgrade a previously deployed virtual machine. Before using an ISO file, you must backup all applications data and check that you have understood any additional requirements mentioned in the IP Office Technical Bulletin for the IP Office release. IP Office Technical Bulletins are downloadable from the same website as the software.

- **Source ISO File**
  Some components of the software are open source. To comply with the license conditions of that software, Avaya are required to make the source software available. However, this file is not required for installation.

- **TTS DVD ISO Files**
  The server OVA and ISO files only include text-to-speech (TTS) prompts for English. To use other languages, you need to download and install the additional ISO files for non-English languages.

- **RPM/ZIP Files**
  Occasionally Avaya may make RPM files available, either as individual files or combined into a single ZIP file. You can use these to upgrade individual components on the virtual machine.

To download software:

1. Browse to *http://support.avaya.com* and log in.

2. Select **Downloads & Documents**.

3. In the **Enter Your Product Here** box, enter *IP Office*.

4. Use the **Choose Release** drop-down to select the required IP Office release.

5. If shown, click **View downloads >**.

6. The resulting page lists the files available for download. Select the file to download.

7. Click **View documents >**.

8. Select the **Technical Tips** checkbox.

9. In the list of documents, download the IP Office Technical Bulletin for the IP Office release.

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2.3 Deploying the OVA File

This process deploys the OVA file to the virtual server platform, creating a new virtual machine. Note that, depending on the speed of the link between the client PC and the virtual server, this process can take several hours.

To deploy the OVA file using vSphere

1. Using the VMware vSphere Client, connection go virtual server.

2. Select **File** and then select **Deploy OVF Template...**.
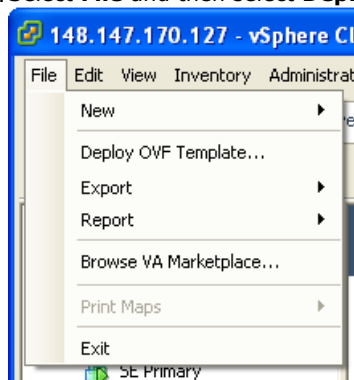
3. Click **Browse...** . Select the OVA image file and click **Open**.
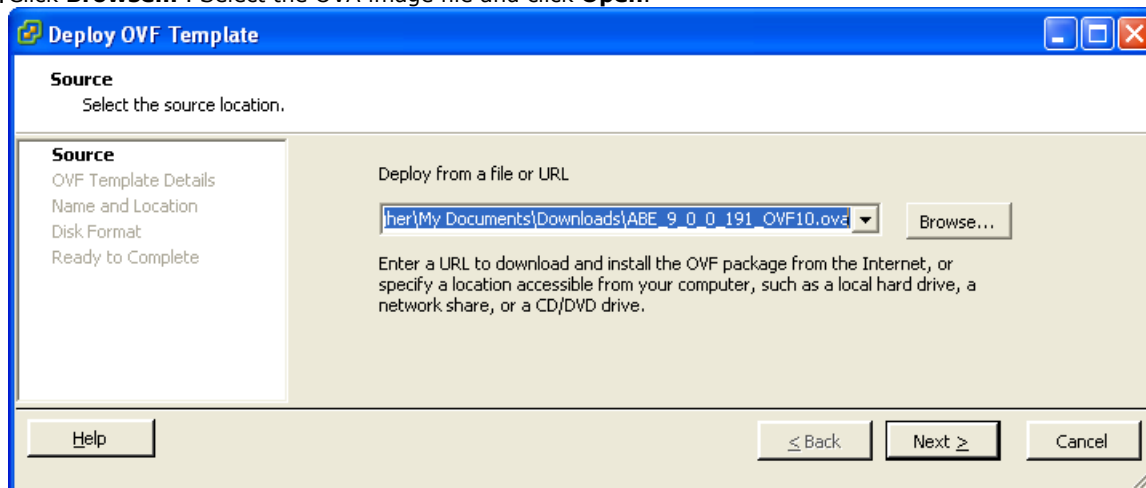
4. Click **Next >**.
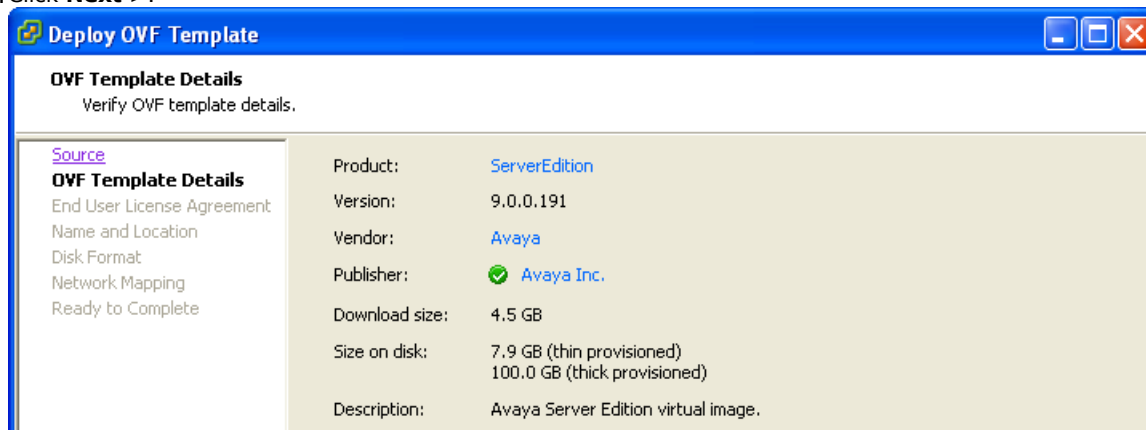
5. Click **Next >**. The installer displays the license agreement. Click **Accept** and then click **Next >**.

6. Enter a name for the virtual machine. This name appears in the inventory of virtual machines shown by the VMware client. Click **Next >**.

7. Select the type of disk space usage the virtual machine should use. See Disk Format Selection [17]. Click **Next >**.

8. Click **Next >**.

9. The install wizard displays a summary of the deployment settings. Do not select **Power on after deployment**.

10. Click **Finish**. The installer displays the progress of the deployment.

11. Once deployment has complete, the new virtual machine appears in the inventory of virtual machines.

- If deploying a virtual machine to run both Voicemail Pro and Contact Recorder for IP Office, you now need to add an additional hard disk. See Adding an Additional Hard Disk for Contact Recorder for IP Office [26].

- If otherwise, you can now adjust the resource allocation of the virtual machine. See Virtual Machine Profiling [27].

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2.3.1 Adding an Additional Hard Disk for Contact Recorder for IP Office

For the IP Office Release 9.0 and higher, the Contact Recorder for IP Office application is supported on the same Linux server as Voicemail Pro if provided with and configured to use an additional hard disk. This allows the support of Contact Recorder for IP Office on a Server Edition primary server included virtual machine installations.

The process below details how to add an additional hard disk to the IP Office virtual machine. This process must be performed before initial server ignition.

To add an additional hard disk to the virtual machine

1. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

2. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

3. Click on the virtual machine.

4. Right-click on the virtual machine and select **Edit Settings**.

5. On the **Hardware** tab, click on **Add..** and select **Hard Disk**. Click **Next >**.

6. Select **Create a new virtual disk** and click **Next >**.

7. Set the **Disk Size**. The minimum supported is 30GB. However, the recommended size is 300GB or higher. Remember that for a virtual machine installation of Contact Recorder for IP Office, archiving to Blu-Ray/DVD disk is not supported [16].

   - Contact Recorder for IP Office typically requires 60KB per minute for non-authenticated files and 120KB per minute for authenticated files.

   - Contact Recorder for IP Office also reserves 1GB of space for the call details database and other operations.

8. Set the **Disk Provisioning** to *Thick Provision Eager Zeroed*.

9. Select the **Datastore** to use. This can be the same datastore or a different one from that used during the OVA deployment.

10. Click **Next >**.

11. Check the settings are as required. Click **Finish**.

12. You can now adjust the resource allocation of the virtual machine. See Virtual Machine Profiling [27].

2.4 Virtual Machine Profiling

After deployment of a virtual machine, you can optimize the resources allocated to meet the actual requirements of the virtual machine. For example, if the virtual machine will only support 50 users out of the maximum of 1500, you can reduce the allocated processor and RAM memory. This allows for the best use of the overall resources provided by the virtual server platform.

Attribute	Description
Memory	You can set the maximum amount of RAM memory that the virtual machine can use. You can also set how much of that RAM memory the platform guarantees for the virtual machine.
CPUs	You can configure more than one virtual processor (vCPU) for a virtual machine. A virtual machine cannot have more vCPUs than the maximum number of logical CPUs on the host virtual server platform. The number of logical CPUs is the number of physical processor cores.
CPU Clock Cycles	You can set the maximum number of CPU clock cycles that the virtual machine can use. You can also set the number of CPU clock cycles guaranteed for the virtual machine. Multiply the clock cycle of the CPU with the number of allocated virtual CPU processors to determine the aggregate value and compare it with recommended profiling values.
Network Ports	The IP Office virtual machine deploys with two network interfaces. By default these configure as **LAN1** (192.168.42.1/255.255.255.0) and **LAN2** (192.168.43.1/255.255.255.0) when the virtual machine starts. If the LAN2 port is not required, it can be disabled. This reduces the chances of IP address duplication which can cause the virtual machine to not start (see Duplicate IP Address Issues 14).

Following profiling, you can power on the virtual machine 32 .

- **Profiling Other Virtual Machines**
  It is in customers best interest and in vSphere administrator best practices to monitor resource utilization of the virtual machines running in their infrastructure. We strongly encourage the customers to profile not only our virtual machines but others they might be running on their ESXi servers to precisely fine-tune hardware resources that are allocated to the virtual machines. This will improve performance by allocating resources where they are needed and optimize the use of their virtual infrastructure.

- **Multiple IP Office Servers** *(Virtual and or Non-Virtual)*
  If deploying both a primary and secondary then the hardware resources assigned to each must consider the resiliency scenario when users re-register from one server (virtual machine) to the other. It is recommended that the primary and secondary have the same resources allocated. If there is a mix of dedicated hardware (non-virtualized IP Office) and virtualized IP Office operating as primary and secondary, then the assignment of resources to the virtual machine must match the hardware resources available in the dedicated hardware.

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2.4.1 Adjusting the RAM Memory

You can set the maximum amount of RAM memory that the virtual machine can use. You can also set how much of that RAM memory the platform guarantees for the virtual machine.

IP Office Profiling Settings

Server Type		Server Edition Primary Server/Server Edition Secondary Server							
Users		20	50	100	200	500	1000	2000	100
one-X Portal for IP Office		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
RAM	Allocated	4096	5234	5234	5234	5785	6459	7219	4096
	Reserved	4096	4188	4188	4188	4628	5168	5776	4096

Server Type		Server Edition Expansion System (L)				
Users		10	50	100	500	750
RAM	Allocated	981	1080	1235	1336	1336
	Reserved	785	988	988	1069	1069

Server Type		Application Server			
one-X Portal for IP Office Users		50	100	250	750
Voicemail Channels		20	50	100	150
Memory	Allocated	4712	4777	5758	9538
	Reserved	3770	3822	4607	7631

To adjust the virtual machine's RAM memory settings:

- **! WARNING**
  Use this process for the deployment of a new virtual machine that has not been powered on. To perform the same action on an existing virtual machine, the virtual machine must first be powered off before making the adjusting and then powered on again. That will interrupt all services provided by the virtual machine.

1. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

2. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

3. Click on the virtual machine.

4. Right-click on the virtual machine and select **Edit Settings**.

5. Select **Memory**.

6. On the right-hand side, adjust the maximum memory size for the virtual machine.

7. Click the **Resources** tab and select **Memory**. Allocate the RAM for the virtual machine.

   - **Reservation**
     This value sets the guaranteed minimum available RAM for the virtual machine. You cannot set the reservation higher than the maximum memory value set under the **Hardware** tab. For IP Office virtual machines, the recommended value is 75%-80% of the maximum.

   - **Shares**
     Select the virtual machine's relative priority for sharing the server platform memory. The values are *Low*, *Normal*, *High* and *Custom*. The more shares a virtual machine has, the more often it gets a time slice of a memory when there is no memory idle time. Shares represent a relative priority for the allocation of memory capacity between virtual machines. For more information about share values, refer to the VMware Resource Management Guide.

     - Select *Normal* only if the IP Office virtual machine has exclusive use of ESXi host. However, if other virtual machines utilizing the share mechanism present on the host, it is imperative that IP Office virtual machine is set to *High*. IP Office is a real-time telecommunication software that requires immediate access to hardware resources.

8. Click **OK**.

2.4.2 Adjusting the CPU Cores

You can configure more than one virtual processor (vCPU) for a virtual machine. A virtual machine cannot have more vCPUs than the maximum number of logical CPUs on the host virtual server platform. The number of logical CPUs is the number of physical processor cores.

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Note that the CPU core clock speed affects the range selection below. When the CPU is at the low end toward 2GHz, use the higher number of CPUs. When the CPU speed is higher, for example 3.6GHz, use the lower number of CPUs.

The CPU core clock speed multiplied by the number of cores, must meet the aggregate CPU cycle requirements of the virtual machine.

Server Type	Server Edition Primary Server/Server Edition Secondary Server							
Users	20	50	100	200	500	1000	2000	100
one-X Portal for IP Office	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
CPUs	2	2	2	2-3	3-6	4-7	5-8	1-2

Server Type	Server Edition Expansion System (L)				
Users	10	50	100	500	750
CPUs	1	1	1	1	1

Server Type	Application Server			
one-X Portal for IP Office Users	50	100	250	750
Voicemail Channels	20	50	100	150
CPUs	2-3	3-4	5-8	6-10

To adjust the virtual machine's vCPU cores:

1. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

2. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

3. Click on the virtual machine.

4. Right-click on the virtual machine and select **Edit Settings**.

5. Click the **Hardware** tab and select the **CPUs**.

6. Select the number of virtual processors for the virtual machine.

7. Click **OK**.

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2.4.3 Adjusting the CPU Cycles

You can set the maximum number of CPU clock cycles that the virtual machine can use. You can also set the number of CPU clock cycles guaranteed for the virtual machine. Multiply the clock cycle of the CPU with the number of allocated virtual CPU processors to determine the aggregate value and compare it with recommended profiling values.

IP Office Profiling Settings

Server Type		Server Edition Primary Server/Server Edition Secondary Server							
Users		20	50	100	200	500	1000	2000	100
one-X Portal for IP Office		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Aggregate CPU Cycles (GHz)	Allocated	2.04	3.23	3.45	5.22	10.12	13.25	14.84	3.55
	Reserved	2.04	2.59	2.76	4.18	8.1	10.6	11.88	2.84

Server Type		Server Edition Expansion System (L)				
Users		10	50	100	500	750
Aggregate CPU Cycles (GHz)	Allocated	0.73	0.93	0.93	1.45	1.45
	Reserved	0.59	0.75	0.75	1.16	1.16

Server Type		Application Server			
one-X Portal for IP Office Users		50	100	250	750
Voicemail Channels		20	50	100	150
Aggregate CPU Cycles (GHz)	Allocated	4.23	7.34	15.98	19.87
	Reserved	3.39	5.88	12.79	15.9

To adjust the virtual machine's CPU clock cycle settings:

1. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

2. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

3. Click on the virtual machine.

4. Right-click on the virtual machine and select **Edit Settings**.

5. Click the **Resources** tab and select **CPU**.

6. Allocate the CPU cycles for the virtual machine's vCPUs.

   - **Reservation**
     This value sets the guaranteed minimum available CPU clock cycles for the virtual machine. You cannot set the reservation higher than the maximum aggregate CPU value. For IP Office virtual machines, the recommended value is 75%-80% of the maximum.

   - **Shares**
     The more shares a virtual machine has, the more often it gets a time slice of a CPU when there is no CPU idle time. Shares represent a relative priority for the allocation of memory capacity between virtual machines. For more information about share values, refer to the VMware Resource Management Guide.

     - Select *Normal* only if the IP Office virtual machine has exclusive use of ESXi host. However, if other virtual machines utilizing the share mechanism present on the host, it is imperative that IP Office virtual machine is set to *High*. IP Office is a real-time telecommunication software that requires immediate access to hardware resources.

7. Click **OK**.

2.4.4 Disabling a Network Interface

The IP Office virtual machine deploys with two network interfaces. By default these configure as **LAN1** (192.168.42.1/255.255.255.0) and **LAN2** (192.168.43.1/255.255.255.0) when the virtual machine starts. If the LAN2 port is not required, it can be disabled. This reduces the chances of IP address duplication which causes the IP Office application to not start (see Duplicate IP Address Issue 14).

To disable the second network port:

- ! **WARNING**
  Use this process for the deployment of a new virtual machine that has not been powered on. To perform the same action on an existing virtual machine, the virtual machine must first be powered off before making the adjusting and then powered on again. That will interrupt all services provided by the virtual machine.

1. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

2. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

3. Click on the virtual machine.

4. Right-click on the virtual machine and select **Edit Settings**.

5. Select **NIC 2**.

6. Deselect **Connect at power on**.

7. Click **OK**.

Following profiling, you can power on the virtual machine 32.

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2.5 Power On the Virtual Machine

Following profiling of the virtual machine 27, you can power on the virtual server.

To power on the virtual machine:
1. Right-click on the virtual machine.

2. Select **Power** and then **Power On**.

You can now use a web browser to access the virtual machine. See Connecting to the Virtual Machine 32.

2.6 Connecting to the Virtual Machine

IP Office virtual machine comes with default IP settings (192.168.42.1/255.255.255.0). If the virtual machine can be accessed with a browser using the process below, login and proceed to Performing Server Ignition 35.

To start server ignition:
1. From a client PC, start the browser and enter ***https://192.168.42.1:7070***. The login screen for the server's IP Office Web Manager menus should appear.

2. If the login menu appears:

   a. Enter the user name and password. The default name and password are ***Administrator*** and ***Administrator***.

   b. Click **Login**.

   c. Use the menus that appear to perform the server ignition process. See Performing Server Ignition 35.

3. If you cannot connect to the virtual machine using the default IP address, you need to assign the virtual machine a valid browseable address. See Setting the IP Address using the Console 33.

2.6.1 Setting the IP Address using the Console

A newly deployed IP Office virtual machine uses the following default IP settings: LAN1 192.168.42.1, LAN2 192.168.43.1, Mask 255.255.255.0.

If the default IP settings are incompatible with the existing network where the virtual machine is being deployed - follow the steps described in this section to change them. Once the settings are correct and the virtual machine can be accessed with a browser, proceed to the next section - Performing Server Ignition 35.

- **! WARNING**

   Only use this process if absolutely necessary, ie. if it is not possible to browse to the default address of the virtual machine.

- **! WARNING**

   The virtual machines uses its IP address settings to generate its unique **System Identification** used for licensing. Subsequent changes to the IP address settings can change the System Identification, invalidating any existing licenses. See IP Office Licensing 14. Therefore, you must ensure that you have confirmed the IP address settings required before setting those values. After performing this process, you can make future changes if necessary through the server's web menus.

- **! WARNING**

   Using the process below on an installed virtual machine will cause service disruption.

To set the virtual machine's IP address:

1. Using the vSphere client, connect to the vSphere server.

2. In the navigation tree on the left, select the virtual machine.

3. Click on the **Console** tab. All cursor and keyboard action will now be applied to the console window. To exit this mode press **Ctrl+Alt**. If the tab is blank, press **Enter**.
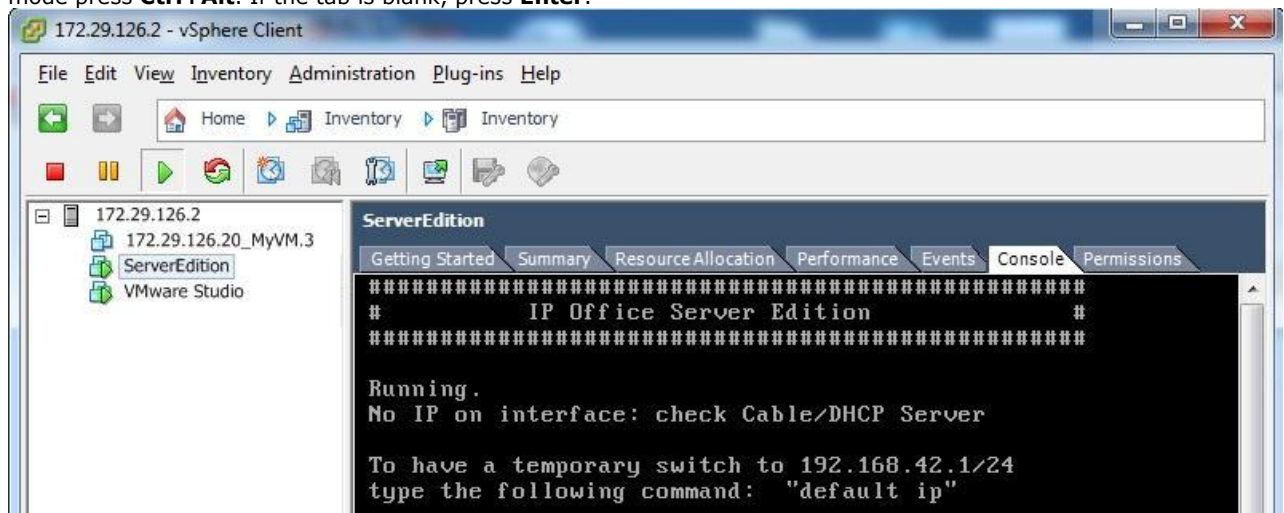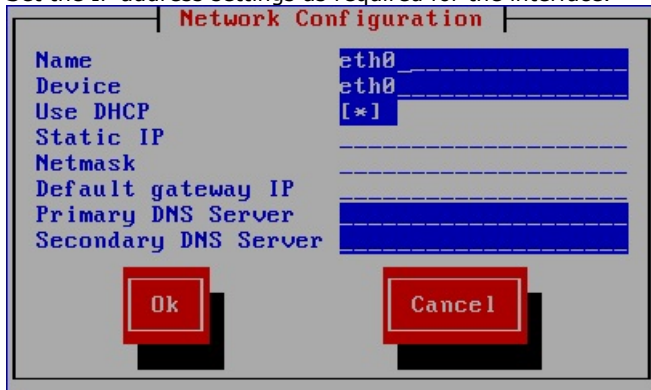

4. In the console display, enter the command **login**.

   a. At the **login:** prompt enter *root*.

   b. At the **Password:** prompt enter *Administrator*.

5. Once logged in, enter the command **system-config-network**. The menus that appears is navigated using the cursor keys, tab key and **Enter** key.

   a. Select **Device configuration** and press **Enter**.
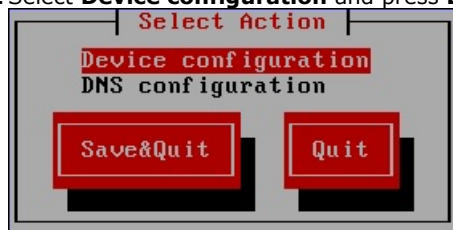
b. Select the network interface to configure and press **Enter**.

```
┌─────────────────────────┤ Select A Device ├─────────────────────────┐
│ eth0 (eth0) - Intel Corporation 82545EM Gigabit Ethernet Controller (Coppe │
│ eth1 (eth1) - Intel Corporation 82545EM Gigabit Ethernet Controller (Coppe │
│ <New Device>                                                                │
│                                                                             │
│        ┌──────────┐                           ┌──────────┐                  │
│        │   Save   │                           │  Cancel  │                  │
│        └──────────┘                           └──────────┘                  │
│                                                                             │
└─────────────────────────────────────────────────────────────────────────┘
```

c. Set the IP address settings as required for the interface.

```
┌──────────────┤ Network Configuration ├────────────┐
│                                                    │
│  Name                 eth0_____          │
│  Device               eth0_____          │
│  Use DHCP             [*]                            │
│  Static IP            _____          │
│  Netmask              _____          │
│  Default gateway IP   _____          │
│  Primary DNS Server   _____          │
│  Secondary DNS Server _____          │
│                                                    │
│        ┌──────────┐           ┌──────────┐         │
│        │    Ok    │           │  Cancel  │         │
│        └──────────┘           └──────────┘         │
│                                                    │
└────────────────────────────────────────────────────┘
```

d. Select **OK** and press **Enter**.

e. Repeat the previous steps for any other network interface supported by the virtual machine.

f. Select **Save** and press **Enter**.

g. Select **Save & Quit** and press **Enter**.

h. Enter the command **service network restart**.

6. To logout, enter **exit**.

7. Using the VMware client, power off and then power on the virtual machine again. See Power On the Virtual Machine 32 .

2.7 Performing Server Ignition

The virtual machine can perform one of several server roles in the Server Edition network. The server role and various other settings are set during the initial browser access to the virtual machine.

To start server ignition:

1. Using a browser, connect to the virtual machine 32.

2. If you accept the license, select **I Agree** and click **Next**.

3. Select the role that the server should perform and click **Next**. The following menus vary depending on the chosen server type.

IP Office - Ignition

Accept License ✓	⊙ **Primary (Server Edition)** Enables Core, one-X Portal and Voicemail Pro.
Server Type →	
Configure Network	○ **Secondary (Server Edition)** Enables Core and Voicemail Pro.
Time & Companding	
Change Password	○ **Expansion (Server Edition)** Enables Core only.
Review Settings	
	○ **Application Server** Enables one-X Portal and Voicemail Pro.

Cancel   Previous   Next

4. If an additional hard disk for Contact Recorder for IP Office was added 26 after deploying the OVA, details of the additional hardware appear. Otherwise the menu displays *"No new hardware available"*.

IP Office Server Edition - Ignition

Accept License ✓	**Additional Hardware Info**
Server Type ✓	Name: /dev/sdb Vendor: VMware Product: Virtual disk User Capacity: 268,435,456,000 bytes [268 GB] Device Type: disk
Hardware →	
Configure Network	**Additional Hardware Settings**
Time & Companding	Create Partitions ☐ Partition 1 size (GB): 0 Partition 2 size (GB): 0 Partition 3 size (GB): 0 Mount Point: /CSIPORec Mount Hardware ☑
Change Password	
Review Settings	

For Contact Recorder for IP Office support:

  a. Leave **Create Partitions** unchecked.

  b. Set the **Mount Point** name to **/CSIPOREC**.

  c. Select **Mount Hardware** to have the additional disk automatically mounted.

5. Click **Next**. Enter the server's network settings.

- Remember that both the LAN1 and LAN2 IP addresses affect the virtual machine's **System Identification** used for licensing 14. Therefore, we strongly recommended that before obtaining any licenses, you ensure that these are set to their final values.

- The ignition process allows you to set the IP address for the LAN1 port only. The LAN2 port initially uses the default address 192.168.43.1. To avoid the duplicate IP address issue 14 you should set the LAN2 address after ignition. This can be done using IP Office Manager or IP Office Web Manager.

6. Click **Next**. Set the time source for the server.

- Remember that the virtual machine uses the **Timezone** for licensing 14. Therefore, we strongly recommended that before obtaining any licenses, you ensure that this is set to its final value.

- Set the current time and date for the server or select to use the time provided by an NTP server. By default, Server Edition Secondary Server and Server Edition Expansion System (L) servers automatically get their time from the Server Edition Primary Server and you can only change the **Timezone**.

- Select the companding setting to use. For telephone systems in North American locations and Japan, select *µ-Law* (also referred to as U-Law and Mu-Law). For most other locations, select *A-Law*.

7. Click **Next**. Enter and confirm a new password. This is the root user password for access to the Linux operating system. Ensure that you note the password set. Click **Next**.

8. If the selected **Server Type** was *Application Server*, select the services provided by the server. Unselected services remain installed but not running unless manually started.

9. Click **Next**. Check the displayed summary. Use the **Previous** and **Next** options to readjust settings if necessary.

10. Click **Apply**. Click **OK** when displayed to access the server's IP Office Web Manager menus.

2.8 Logging In to IP Office Web Manager

After having performed the server ignition 35, you can use IP Office Web Manager to perform various maintenance tasks for the servers in a Server Edition network. That includes servers deployed as virtual machines. For full details refer to the separate IP Office Web Manager documentation and to the help within the IP Office Web Manager application.

To login to IP Office Web Manager:

1. From a client PC, start the browser and enter **https://** followed by the address of the server and then **:7070**. For example, **https://server.example.com:7070**. A newly deployed virtual machine uses the default address 192.168.42.1/255.255.255.0. If you are unsure of the IP address, it is displayed on the Console tab in the vSphere client.

2. Enter the user name and password. The default name and password are **Administrator** and **Administrator**.

3. Click **Login**.

4. The **Solution** page lists the installed servers.
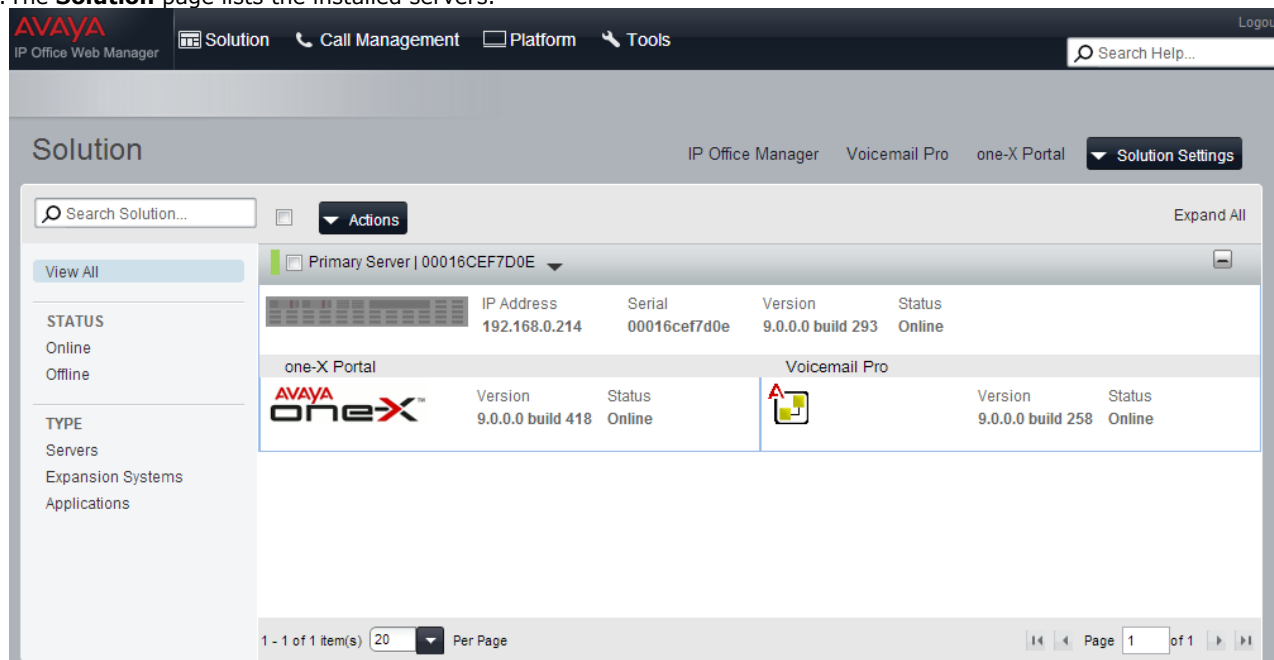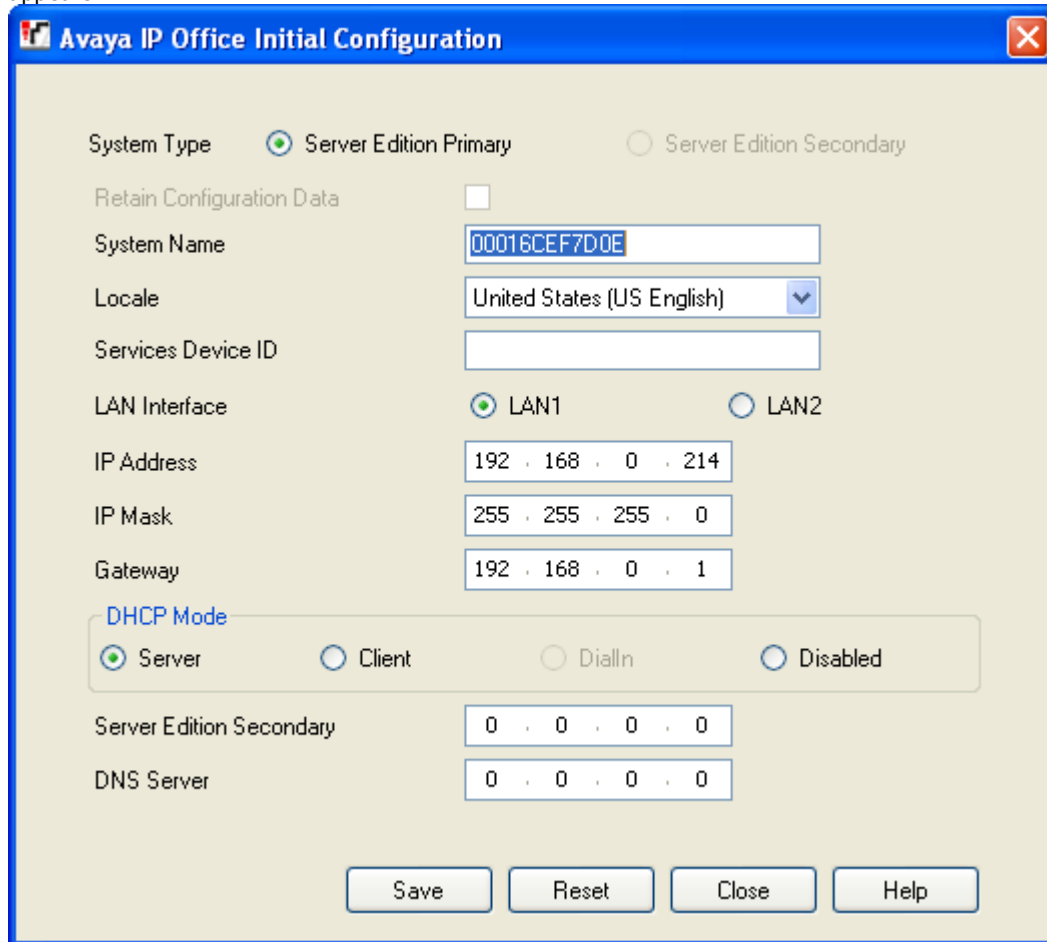
2.9 IP Office Initial Configuration

The IP Office application hosted by the virtual machine requires initial configuration. You do this using the IP Office Manager application, a Windows thick-client that you can download from the virtual machine if not already installed on your PC.

To run IP Office initial configuration:

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager 38 on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ⊞ **Solution**.

3. Click **IP Office Manager**.

   - If the PC does not have a suitable version of IP Office Manager already installed, a menu appears providing a link to download IP Office Manager. Once downloaded, install the file. The exact process varies depending on the browser used. After installing or updating IP Office Manager, restart this process.

5. When connecting IP Office Manager to a newly installed system for the first time, the **Initial Configuration** menu appears.

6. Check that the settings match those required for the virtual machine and the IP Office. For full details of the menu, refer to the IP Office Manager help.

   - Remember that both the LAN1 and LAN2 IP addresses affect the virtual machine's **System Identification** used for licensing 14. Therefore, we strongly recommended that before obtaining any licenses, you ensure that these are set to their final values.

7. Click **Save**. When displayed, click **OK**.

2.10 Copying the IP Office Certificate

The web control menus used by IP Office Web Manager require a certificate. You can obtain a suitable certificate from the IP Office application.

To update the certificate:

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager 38 on the virtual machine.

2. In the IP Office Web Manager, click 🖥 **Platform**.

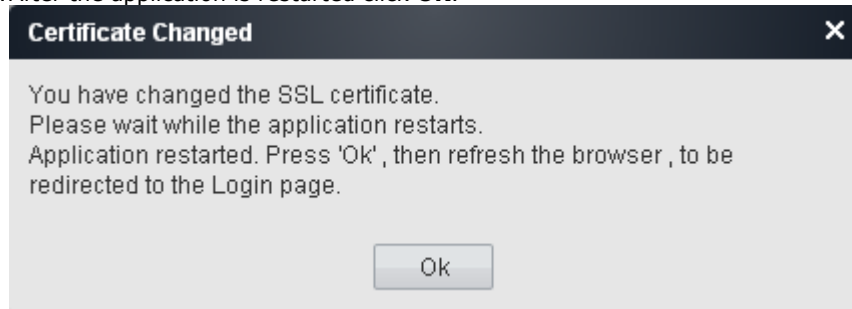3. Select the **Settings | General** tab. The **Web Control** section indicates it found an IP Office certificate.
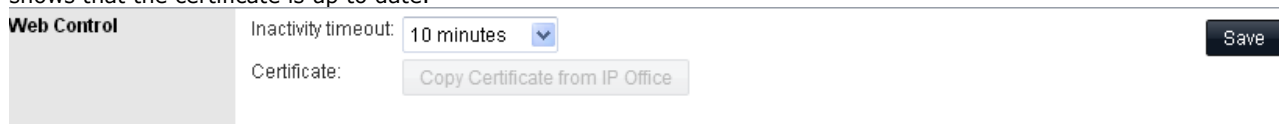

4. Click **Copy Certificate from IP Office**.
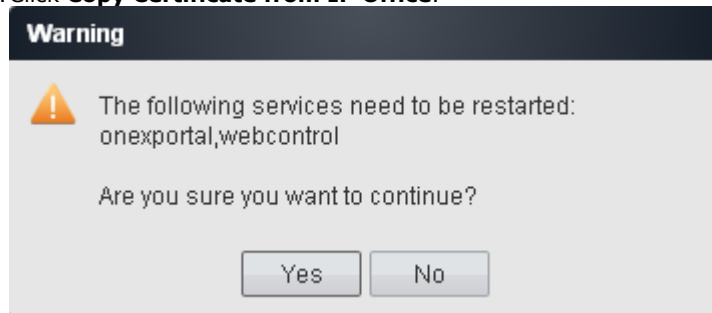
5. Click **Yes**. The application restarts.
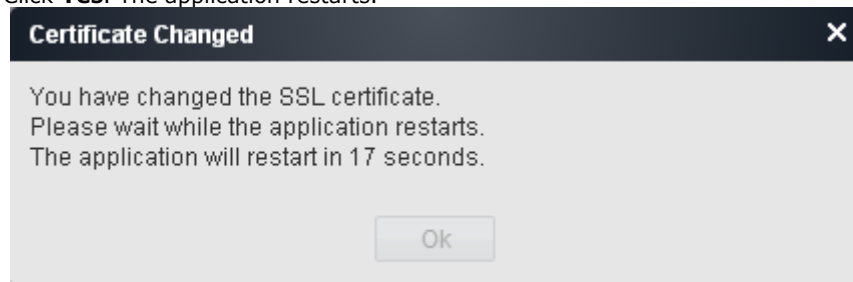
6. After the application is restarted click **OK**.

7. Login again and click 🖥 **Platform**. Select the **Settings | General** tab and check that the **Web Control** section shows that the certificate is up to date.

2.11 Adding Non-English TTS Prompts

The Voicemail Pro application can optionally use Text-to-speech (TTS). The IP Office OVA file only includes English language text-to-speech (TTS) prompts. The TTS prompts for other languages are downloadable 23 as 3 separate DVD ISOs.

To use non-English TTS languages, you need to upload and install the additional prompt sets to the virtual machines running the Voicemail Pro application. In a Server Edition network, that applies to the Server Edition Primary Server and Server Edition Secondary Server servers.

- **!** **WARNING**

  During this process, the virtual machine needs to restart the voicemail application each time it installs a new set of TTS prompts.

To add additional TTS prompt languages:

1. Download the TTS ISO files that match the IP Office release from the Avaya support web site. See Downloading the Software 45.

2. Extract the individual RPM files for each language. You can open ISO files using applications such as WinZip.

   - **Optional**

     The server can upload and unpack ZIP files. If you want to install several RPM files, create a ZIP file containing all the RPM files and upload the ZIP file.

3. Access to the server's web control menus:

   a. Login to IP Office Web Manager 38.

   b. Click on 🖥 **Platform**.

   c. Select the system running Voicemail Pro from the list of **Control Units**. The system's web control menus appear.

4. Upload the TTS files:

   a. Select **Settings** and then the **General** tab.

   b. In the **Software Repositories** section, on the **Applications** line, click **Browse.**

   c. Select the individual RPM file or the ZIP file containing multiple RPMs.

   d. Click **Add** and wait while server uploads the file.

   e. Repeat the steps to upload any additional files.

5. Install the new files:

   a. Select the **Updates** tab.

   b. In the **Services** section, click on the **Status** column header to sort the list using that column.

   c. Scroll the list to locate the group of services that have the status "*not installed*".

   d. For the first language, click the **Install** button.

   e. The server warns you that the installation requires the server to restart the voicemail services. Click **OK**.

   f. Repeat the installation steps for each new TTS language.

6. The new TTS languages are now useable by the voicemail service.

2.12 Configuring the Server Applications

The services provided by the virtual machine can now be configured in the same way as for non-virtual installations. Refer to the appropriate documentation for Voicemail Pro, one-X Portal for IP Office and Contact Recorder for IP Office. See Related Documentation 18.

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Upgrading a Virtual Machine

3. Upgrading a Virtual Machine

Server Edition software supports several methods for upgrading. For virtual machines, the supported method is to upload the new ISO file to the virtual server using one of the methods below and then select upgrade within the IP Office Web Manager menus.

Method	Summary
Transfer from a virtual DVD	Upload the ISO file from a virtual DVD drive. You can connect an ISO file to the virtual machine's DVD drive in several ways.
Transfer from a remote file server	Upload the ISO file to the server from a file server (http, https, ftp, sftp or scp).
Transfer via SSH/SFTP to the virtual machine	Upload the ISO file directly to a folder on the server using SFTP.
Direct transfer	Upload the ISO file to the server using the IP Office Web Manager browser session.

- **!** **WARNING: Boot from DVD Upgrades**
  For non-virtual IP Office servers, the server can boot from a DVD copy of the ISO. The menu presented includes an option to upgrade. However, for virtual machines this method of upgrading is not supported.

Upgrading Multiple Servers

In a Server Edition network consisting of several servers, you can use IP Office Web Manager to first upgrade the primary server as then upgrade its associated secondary, expansion and application servers.

Process Summary

1. **Check the Technical Bulletin**
   The Technical Bulletin for the IP Office release will contain details of the upgrade compatibility and any additional steps or processes required before upgrading.

2. **Obtain an Upgrade License**
   Some upgrades require the IP Office configuration to include an upgrade license. If you do not add the correct license, following the upgrade, Avaya phones display *"License not available"* and the system does not allow any calls.

3. **Download the Upgrade ISO Software** 45
   Avaya makes the ISO files for an upgrade available from http://support.avaya.com.

4. **Backup the Applications** 45
   As a precaution, backup the applications running on the virtual machine.

5. **Transferring the ISO file** 46
   Transfer the ISO file to the Server Edition Primary Server.

6. **Upgrade using the transferred ISO file** 55
   Once the ISO file has transferred, you can use IP Office Web Manager to upgrade all the servers using the same ISO.

7. **Upgrade the Non-English TTS Prompts** 56
   If Voicemail Pro uses non-English TTS prompts you must upgrade those prompts.

Using Snapshots

The VMware Snapshot feature can be used to provide a more robust upgrade process by providing a fall back point to the previous instance of the virtual machine. See Snapshot 10 .

Upgrading Other IP Office Virtual Machines

Avaya does not support upgrading from virtual machine created using methods other than the OVA deployment documented in this manual.

3.1 Downloading the Software

Avaya makes software for each IP Office release available from the Avaya support website (http://support.avaya.com) in the following formats:

- **OVA File**
  You use this type of file for the initial deployment of a virtual machine.

- **ISO File**
  You can use this type of file to upgrade a previously deployed virtual machine. Before using an ISO file, you must backup all applications data and check that you have understood any additional requirements mentioned in the IP Office Technical Bulletin for the IP Office release. IP Office Technical Bulletins are downloadable from the same website as the software.

- **Source ISO File**
  Some components of the software are open source. To comply with the license conditions of that software, Avaya are required to make the source software available. However, this file is not required for installation.

- **TTS DVD ISO Files**
  The server OVA and ISO files only include text-to-speech (TTS) prompts for English. To use other languages, you need to download and install the additional ISO files for non-English languages.

- **RPM/ZIP Files**
  Occasionally Avaya may make RPM files available, either as individual files or combined into a single ZIP file. You can use these to upgrade individual components on the virtual machine.

To download software:

1. Browse to *http://support.avaya.com* and log in.

2. Select **Downloads & Documents**.

3. In the **Enter Your Product Here** box, enter *IP Office*.

4. Use the **Choose Release** drop-down to select the required IP Office release.

5. If shown, click **View downloads >**.

6. The resulting page lists the files available for download. Select the file to download.

7. Click **View documents >**.

8. Select the **Technical Tips** checkbox.

9. In the list of documents, download the IP Office Technical Bulletin for the IP Office release.

3.2 Backing Up Applications

You can configure IP Office Web Manager to backup the servers in a Server Edition network to a variety of remote file servers. Refer to the Server Edition Deployment Guide.

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3.3 Transferring the ISO File

Having [backed up the applications](#) 45⤴, the next stage is to transfer the ISO file to the Server Edition Primary Server. As previously stated, there are number of different methods supported for a virtual machine.

- **Transfer from the virtual machine DVD** 46⤴
  For a physical server, this method uses an ISO file burnt to DVD and placed in the server's DVD drive. For a virtual machine, there are several methods to connect an ISO file to the virtual machine's DVD drive.

- **Transfer from a remote file server** 52⤴
  Thorough the IP Office Web Manager menus, you can configure the server with the details of remote file servers (http, https, ftp, sftp and/or scp) from which it can upload an ISO file.

- **Transfer from a primary server path** 53⤴
  Using SFTP, you can upload the ISO file directly to the server. Within IP Office Web Manager, you can then use the server file path to download the file.

- **Transfer from IP Office Web Manager** 54⤴
  You can transfer an ISO file during a connected IP Office Web Manager session.

3.3.1 Transfer from a Virtual Machine DVD

One of the options for downloading an ISO image used by IP Office Web Manager is to download the ISO file from the primary server's DVD drive. To use this option for a virtual machine, you must first connect the virtual machine's DVD drive to the ISO file.

The VMware client supports the following options for connecting the virtual machine's DVD drive to a source. This section lists the different methods in order of preference based on speed and reliability:

1. **Connect to an ISO file on the client PCs hard disk** 47⤴
   This method connects the virtual machine's DVD drive to an ISO file on the hard disk of the VMware client PC. The time to complete the upgrade depends on the speed between the vSphere host and the client PC.

2. **Connect to the client PCs DVD drive** 48⤴
   This method connects the virtual machine's DVD drive to the DVD drive of the PC running the VMware client PC. The time to complete the upgrade depends on the speed between the vSphere host and the client PC.

3. **Connect to an ISO file in the virtual server datastore** 49⤴
   This method connects the virtual machine's DVD drive to an ISO file previously uploaded to the virtual server datastore. For remote upgrades, this method is the most reliable. In addition, if multiple virtual machines use the same datastore, they can access the same ISO file.

4. **Connect to the VMware server's DVD drive** 51⤴
   This method connects the virtual machine's DVD drive to a DVD drive on the VMware server PC. This method requires physical access to a DVD drive on the VMware server.

### 3.3.1.1 Connect to an ISO File on the Client PCs Hard Disk

This method maps the DVD drive of the virtual machine to an ISO file on the PC running the VMware client.

To map the virtual machine's DVD to an ISO file on the local PC:

1. Place the ISO file in a folder on your client PC.

2. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

3. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

4. Click on the virtual machine.

5. Click on the 🖴 **Connect/disconnect the CD/DVD device of the virtual machine** icon in the toolbar.
   - If already connected to a source, the details are shown and the option to disconnect. Select disconnect and then click the 🖴 icon again.

6. From the drop-down, select **CD/DVD drive 1** and then select **Connect to ISO image on local disk...** .

7. Select the ISO file and click **Open**.

8. You can now download the ISO to the virtual server using the **Primary DVD** option in the IP Office Web Manager menus. See below.

To download the ISO from the primary DVD:

Having connected the virtual server's DVD to an ISO source as above, you can now use IP Office Web Manager to download that ISO source to the server.

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager ⌐38⌐ on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ⊞ **Solution**.

3. Click on the **Actions** drop-down and select **Transfer ISO**.

4. Click **Transfer from** and select *DVD Primary Server*.

   a. Click **OK**. The menu shows the download progress.

5. When the download has finished, the menu displays the available version. Click **Close**.

6. The servers listed in the **Solution** overview show an ⚠ icon and *Upgrade Available*. Proceed to Upgrading from a downloaded ISO ⌐55⌐.

3.3.1.2 Connect to the Client PCs DVD Drive

This method maps the DVD drive of the virtual machine to the DVD drive of the PC running the VMware client.

To map the virtual machine's DVD to an ISO file on the local PC:

1. Insert the DVD into the PC's DVD drive.

   - On some Windows operating systems, access to the client PC DVD drive requires vSphere to run with local administrator rights. For details refer to the VMware Knowledge Base.

2. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

3. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

4. Click on the virtual machine.

5. Click on the ☁ **Connect/disconnect the CD/DVD device of the virtual machine** icon in the toolbar.
   - If already connected to a source, the details are shown and the option to disconnect. Select disconnect and then click the ☁ icon again.

6. From the drop-down, select **CD/DVD drive 1** and select the appropriate drive letter for the PC drive containing the DVD.

7. You can now download the ISO to the virtual server using the **Primary DVD** option in the IP Office Web Manager menus. See below.

To download the ISO from the primary DVD:

Having connected the virtual server's DVD to an ISO source as above, you can now use IP Office Web Manager to download that ISO source to the server.

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager ⌐38⌐ on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ⊞ **Solution**.

3. Click on the **Actions** drop-down and select **Transfer ISO**.

4. Click **Transfer from** and select *DVD Primary Server*.

   a. Click **OK**. The menu shows the download progress.

5. When the download has finished, the menu displays the available version. Click **Close**.

6. The servers listed in the **Solution** overview show an 🔔 icon and *Upgrade Available*. Proceed to Upgrading from a downloaded ISO ⌐55⌐.

3.3.1.3 Connect to an ISO File in the Virtual Server Datastore

This method uses an ISO file uploaded to the file datastore used by the virtual machine.

To upload an ISO file to a VMware datastore:

1. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

2. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

3. Click on the virtual machine.

4. Select the **Summary** tab on the right.

5. In the **Resources** section, right click on the datastore and select **Browse Datastore...** .

6. Click on the 🔼 **Upload** button and select **Upload File...**.

7. Browse to the location of the ISO image and click **OK**.
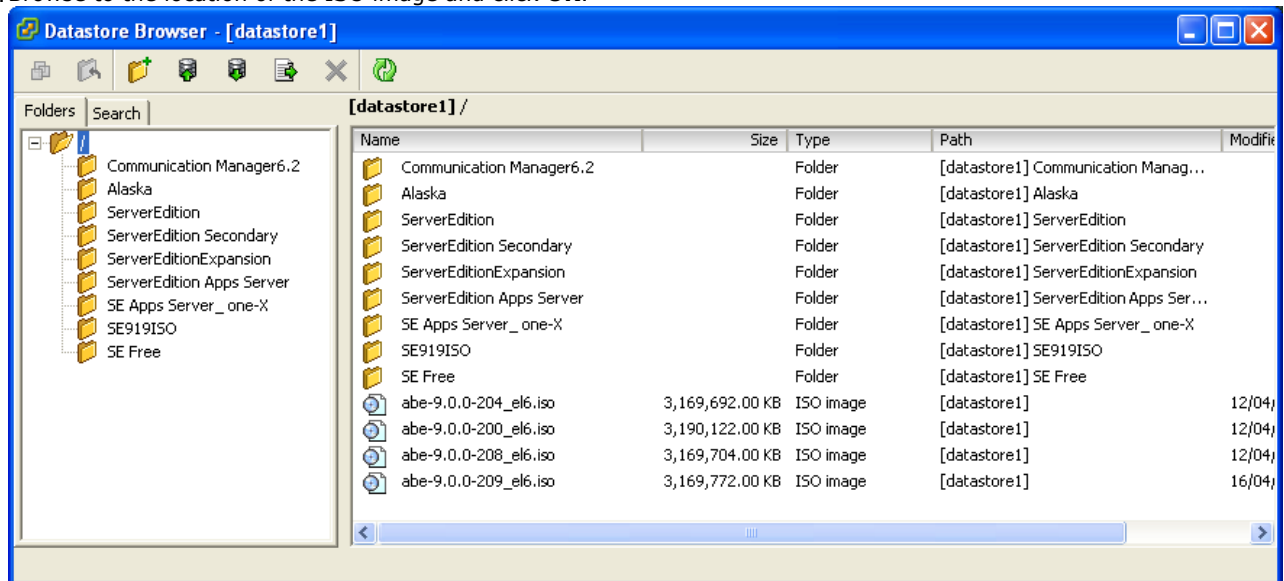
8. Once the upload has finished, close the **Datastore Browser**.

9. You can now map the virtual machine DVD drive to the ISO file. See the process below.

To map the virtual machine DVD to an ISO file in the datastore:

1. Use the process above to upload the ISO file to the datastore.

2. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

3. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

4. Click on the virtual machine.

5. Click on the ✎ **Connect/disconnect the CD/DVD device of the virtual machine** icon in the toolbar.
   - If already connected to a source, the details are shown and the option to disconnect. Select disconnect and then click the ✎ icon again.

6. From the drop-down, select **CD/DVD drive 1** and then select **Connect to ISO image on a datastore...** .

7. Select **Datastore ISO File** and click **Browse**.

8. Select the ISO file and click **OK**.

9. You can now download the ISO to the virtual server using the **Primary DVD** option in the IP Office Web Manager menus. See below.

To download the ISO from the primary DVD:

Having connected the virtual server's DVD to an ISO source as above, you can now use IP Office Web Manager to download that ISO source to the server.

1. <u>Login to IP Office Web Manager</u> ⌐38⌐ on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ⊞ **Solution**.

3. Click on the **Actions** drop-down and select **Transfer ISO**.

4. Click **Transfer from** and select *DVD Primary Server*.

   a. Click **OK**. The menu shows the download progress.

5. When the download has finished, the menu displays the available version. Click **Close**.

6. The servers listed in the **Solution** overview show an ⚠ icon and *Upgrade Available*. Proceed to <u>Upgrading from a downloaded ISO</u> ⌐55⌐.

### 3.3.1.4 Connect to the VMware Server's DVD Drive

This method uses an ISO file burnt to DVD and then placed into the physical DVD drive of the VMware server platform. Whilst this method is fast, it requires access to the physical virtual server platform.

To map the virtual machine DVD to the VMware host server DVD drive:

1. Insert the DVD into the host server's DVD drive.

2. Using the vSphere client, select the **Inventory** view.

3. Locate the required virtual machine in the inventory navigation tree on the left. If not shown, select **View | Show VMs in Inventory**.

4. Click on the virtual machine.

5. Click on the 🖥️ **Connect/disconnect the CD/DVD device of the virtual machine** icon in the toolbar.
   - If already connected to a source, the details are shown and the option to disconnect. Select disconnect and then click the 🖥️ icon again.

6. From the drop-down list, select **CD/DVD drive 1** and then select **Connect to host device...** .

7. From the drop-down list, select the host device to use. For example, a typical entry for a CD/DVD drive is ***/vmfs/ devices/cdrom/mpx.vmhba0:C0T0L0***. Click **OK**.

8. You can now download the ISO to the virtual server using the **Primary DVD** option in the IP Office Web Manager menus. See below.

To download the ISO from the primary DVD:

Having connected the virtual server's DVD to an ISO source as above, you can now use IP Office Web Manager to download that ISO source to the server.

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager ⌐38⌐ on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ▦ **Solution**.

3. Click on the **Actions** drop-down and select **Transfer ISO**.

4. Click **Transfer from** and select ***DVD Primary Server***.

   a. Click **OK**. The menu shows the download progress.

5. When the download has finished, the menu displays the available version. Click **Close**.

6. The servers listed in the **Solution** overview show an ⚠️ icon and ***Upgrade Available***. Proceed to Upgrading from a downloaded ISO ⌐55⌐.

3.3.2 Transfer from a Remote File Server

You can upload an ISO file to the virtual server from a previously configured file server. The process for this is the same for virtual and non-virtual machines. Refer to the Server Edition documentation for full details.

To configure a remote file server source:

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager 38 on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ⊞ **Solution**.

3. Click on the **Solution Settings** drop-down and select **Remote Server Options**.

4. IP Office Web Manager lists the currently configured remote servers.

5. Click **+Add**.

6. Enter details for the remote file server hosting the ISO file. The details required vary depending on the protocol used by the server.

7. Click **OK**.

8. The new remote server is now included in the list of remote servers. Click **Close**.

To transfer the ISO from a primary server path:

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager 38 on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ⊞ **Solution**.

3. Click on the **Actions** drop-down and select **Transfer ISO**.

4. Click **Transfer from** and select *Remote Location*.

   a. Click **Select Remote Server** and select the previously configured remote file server from the list.

   b. In the **File path** field, enter the path to the ISO file on that server.

   c. Click **OK**. The menu shows the progress of the download.

5. When the download has finished, the menu displays the available version. Click **Close**.

6. The servers listed in the **Solution** overview show an 🔔 icon and *Upgrade Available*. Proceed to Upgrading from a downloaded ISO 55.

3.3.3 Transfer from a Primary Server Path

SFTP/SSH can be used to upload an ISO file directly to a folder on the virtual machine. The upload process is typically slow, several hours, but reliable.

To upload an ISO file using SSH/SFTP:

1. Start your SFTP or SSH file application and connect to the IP Office Application Server PC. The exact method depends on the application you are using.

    a. Enter the details for the IP Office Application Server:

    - The **Host Name** is the IP address of the IP Office Application Server.

    - The **User Name** is *Administrator*.

    - The **Protocol** is *SFTP/SSH*.

    - The **Port** is *22*. If this is the first time the application has connected to the server, accept the trusted key.

    b. If this is the first time the application has connected to the IP Office Application Server, accept the trusted key.

    c. When prompted, enter the user password, the default is *Administrator*.

2. The default folder displayed after logging in is */home/Administrator*.

3. Upload the ISO file to the server.

To transfer the ISO from a primary server path:

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager 38 on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ▦ **Solution**.

3. Click on the **Actions** drop-down and select **Transfer ISO**.

4. Click **Transfer from** and select *Primary Server Path*.

    a. In the **File path** field, enter the path to the previously uploaded ISO file. For example, */home/Administrator/Downloads/abe-9.0.0-209_el6.iso*.

    b. Click **OK**. The menu shows the progress of the download.

5. When the download has finished, the menu displays the available version. Click **Close**.

6. The servers listed in the **Solution** overview show an 🟡 icon and *Upgrade Available*. Proceed to Upgrading from a downloaded ISO 55.

3.3.4 Transfer from IP Office Web Manager

We do not recommend this method of uploading an ISO file to the server for remote maintenance of servers not located on the same local network as the PC. The file transfer is slow and does not continue or automatically resume if the IP Office Web Manager session disconnects during the transfer.

To transfer the ISO from the IP Office Web Manager client PC:

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager $\boxed{38}$ on the virtual machine.

2. IP Office Web Manager displays the **Solution** overview. If not shown, select ⊞ **Solution**.

3. Click on the **Actions** drop-down and select **Transfer ISO**.

4. Click **Transfer from** and select *Client Machine*.

   a. For the **Select ISO** field, click **Browse**. Locate and select the ISO file and click **Open**.

   b. Click **OK**. The menu shows the progress of the download.

5. When the download has finished, the menu displays the available version. Click **Close**.

6. The servers listed in the **Solution** overview show an ⚠ icon and *Upgrade Available*. Proceed to Upgrading from a downloaded ISO $\boxed{55}$.

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3.4 Upgrading using the Transferred ISO File

Having downloaded an ISO file to the server 46, IP Office Web Manager indicates those servers it can upgrade. It does this by showing an 🔔 icon and *Upgrade Available* next to the server's details on the **Solution** menu.

- **Scheduled Upgrade**
  Through the IP Office Web Manager menus you can schedule actions such as upgrading rather than running them immediately. For details of scheduling actions, refer to the Server Edition documentation.

To start an upgrade using IP Office Web Manager:

1. Login to IP Office Web Manager on the virtual machine.

2. The **Solution** overview appears. If not, select 🔳 **Solution**.

3. Select the checkbox next to each server to upgrade.

   - **Note**
     Some upgrades require the primary server upgraded before any other servers. When that is the case, repeat this process until both the primary server and any other servers are upgrade.

4. Click on the **Actions** drop down and select **Upgrade**.

5. Set the **Upgrade from** option to *Primary Server* and click **OK**.

   a. Read the license warning and if okay to upgrade, click **Yes**.

   b. Read the license agreement for the upgrade and if okay select **Accept** and click **Next**.

6. Click **Close**.

7. The menu shows the progress of the upgrade.

8. The upgrade process typically requires the IP Office Web Manager server to restart, ending the current web browser connection. If this occurs, login to IP Office Web Manager again to check on the status of the upgrade.

9. If necessary, repeat the process to upgrade all the servers.

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3.5 Upgrading the Non-English TTS Prompts

Non-English Text-to-Speech (TTS) prompts are not as part of the DVD ISO file used for server upgrade. Avaya supplies the non-English TTS prompts for other languages on 3 separate DVDs.

The IP Office Technical Bulletin for a new IP Office software release indicates whether an upgrade to that release also requires the upgrade of TTS prompts.

Upgrading the non-English TTS prompt languages:

1. Download the TTS ISO files that match the IP Office release from the Avaya support web site. See <u>Downloading the Software</u> 45 .

2. Extract the individual RPM files for each language. You can open ISO files using applications such as WinZip.

   - **Optional**
     The server can upload and unpack ZIP files. If you want to install several RPM files, create a ZIP file containing all the RPM files and upload the ZIP file.

3. Access to the server's web control menus:

   a. Login to <u>IP Office Web Manager</u> 38 .

   b. Click on **Platform**.

   c. Select the system running Voicemail Pro from the list of **Control Units**. The system's web control menus appear.

4. Upload the TTS files:

   a. Select **Settings** and then the **General** tab.

   b. In the **Software Repositories** section, on the **Applications** line, click **Browse.**

   c. Select the individual RPM file or the ZIP file containing multiple RPMs.

   d. Click **Add** and wait while server uploads the file.

   e. Repeat the steps to upload any additional files.

5. Install the new files:

   a. Select the **Upgrades** tab.

   b. In the **Services** section, click on the **Status** column header to sort the list using that column.

   c. Locate the group of "*out of date*" services.

   d. For the first language, click the **Update** button.

   e. Repeat the installation steps for each new TTS language.

6. The new TTS languages are now useable by the voicemail service.

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