

Symantec Ghost™ Solution Suite 2.5

Proven, trusted, and affordable imaging, deployment, and management systems

What is Symantec Ghost Solution Suite 2.5?

Symantec Ghost Solution Suite is a proven, trusted, and affordable solution for imaging, deployment, and management of systems with more than 10 years of industry-leading expertise. Ghost Solution Suite provides file- and sector-based imaging, OS migration, software distribution, PC “personality” migration (user data, settings, and profiles), hardware and software inventory, and secure system retirement. It helps reduce information technology costs and assists with maintaining a consistent and compliant desktop and server environment by streamlining and automating IT tasks from acquisition to disposal. The Ghost central management console makes it easy to ensure a well-managed and protected Microsoft® Windows® and Linux® environment.

Key benefits

Ensure a well-managed Microsoft Windows and Linux environment

Design provisioning tasks based on specific client attributes, providing more effective management of image and software deployments

Windows Vista® support

Symantec Ghost Solution Suite 2.5 offers support for Vista.

Integrated user migration functionality

- Configure a task to create a backup image, capture user data and settings, deploy a new OS, post-clone

configure, and restore the user data and settings

- Perform peer-to-peer migration
- Utilize other Ghost features such as the client staging area and multicasting to help further streamline the operation

Rapid and reliable deployment of files, applications, and systems

- Accelerate and automate deployments using powerful Ghost multicasting and new generic task functionality
- Reduce the cost, complexity, and time required to deploy operating systems such as Windows Vista
- Preserve files and folders during an image deployment using the client staging area
- Reduce the overall number of image files needed
- Use a single Vista image file for multiple hardware platforms

Fast and easy migration of user data and settings

- Significantly reduce the cost and time required to migrate users to a new OS or PC
- Preserve and maintain user data and PC personality settings during a refresh or when cloning
- Minimize disruption, post-migration support costs, and end-user downtime
- Streamline migration activities with the Ghost console, allowing full migration to a new OS with a single click

Refreshing and updating systems

- Provide a proven, repeatable, and reliable method for

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system refreshes

- Ensure availability of systems, data, and PC settings following a system refresh
- Reduce help desk costs and end-user frustration following a system refresh
- Simplify and speed image management by allowing easy addition, removal, or modification of files within an existing image

Secure PC retirement and data disposal

- Reduce the risk and liability associated with PC retirement and data disposal
- Comply with the U.S. Department of Defense Standard 5220.22-M for hard disk drive wiping (guideline for erasing magnetic media to guarantee all data previously contained is permanently deleted)
- Implement best practice strategies that meet the highest industry standards

Key new features

DeployAnywhere™—hardware-independent imaging

Reduce disk image proliferation and maintenance by automatically detecting and injecting drivers that match the target hardware configuration.

Workstation hot imaging

- Reduce the risk of stale, out-of-date images by refreshing a disk image from reference machines that are up-to-date with the latest patches; eliminate the need to restart a machine in order for Ghost Solution Suite to create an image of it
- Streamline migrations by imaging directly from a

reference machine to an endpoint, without any intermediate image creation step

Logical volume support

Quickly image across Windows or Linux logical volumes that span multiple disks or partitions, regardless of their physical distribution.

Support for additional image formats

Utilize other popular disk image formats including VMware disk image format (VMDK), Symantec Backup Exec™ System Recovery (BESR), and PowerQuest (PQI).

Key continuing features

Industry's most widely used imaging and deployment solution, providing both file-based and sector-based imaging

- Deploy or restore a base state of an OS image or application onto a PC in minutes, including the new Windows Vista OS
- Rapidly and easily migrate user settings and profiles
- More effectively manage images and deployments using software and hardware inventory
- Maintain secure system retirement and data disposal to the highest industry standards
- Enjoy ease of implementation, configuration, and use

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