

## Supported Web Browsers for Workspace

The Workspace administrator console is a Web-based application that is installed when you install Workspace. You can access and use the Workspace Admin Console from the following browsers.

- Internet Explorer 10 and 11 for Windows systems
- Google Chrome 34.0 or later for Windows and Mac systems
- Mozilla Firefox 28 or later for Windows and Mac systems
- Safari 6.1.3 and later for Mac systems

## Preparing to Deploy Workspace

Before you deploy Workspace, you must prepare your environment. This preparation includes downloading the Workspace OVF file, creating DNS records and IP addresses.

### Prerequisites

Before you begin to install Workspace complete the prerequisites tasks.

- One or more ESX servers to deploy Workspace virtual appliance.

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**NOTE** For information about supported vSphere and ESX server versions, see the VMware Product Interoperability Matrixes at [http://www.vmware.com/resources/compatibility/sim/interop\\_matrix.php](http://www.vmware.com/resources/compatibility/sim/interop_matrix.php).

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- VMware vSphere Client or vSphere Web Client is required to deploy the OVF file and access the deployed virtual appliance remotely to configure networking.
- Workspace OVF file from the VMware Web site.
- [Create DNS Records and IP Addresses](#) on page 11  
A DNS entry and a static IP address must be available for the Workspace appliance. Because each company administers their IP addresses and DNS records differently, before you begin your installation, request the DNS record and IP addresses to use.
- [Database Options with Workspace](#) on page 11  
Workspace can be set up with an internal or an external database. A vPostgres database is embedded in the Workspace appliance. The internal database is the default. You can select to connect to an external database when you configure the Workspace Setup wizard.
- [Connect to Active Directory](#) on page 12  
Workspace uses your existing Active Directory infrastructure for user authentication and management. To sync users and groups, the Workspace virtual appliance must connect to Active Directory.
- [Deployment Checklists](#) on page 12  
You can use Workspace deployment checklists to gather the necessary information to install Workspace.