



# vSphere 8 Post Upgrade Checklist

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### Decommission External Platform Services Controllers

If you have upgraded from vSphere 6.7 that used external Platform Services Controllers, you may need to decommission these external Platform Services Controllers from the Single Sign-On domain.

- [Using the cmsso command to unregister vCenter or PSC from Single Sign-On \(2106736\)](#)

### Reconfigure SSO Domain Topology

You can use SSO domain repointing to consolidate or distribute vCenter Server 8 instances into a single SSO domain or separate SSO domains.

- [Repoint an Embedded Node to a New Domain](#)

### Configure File-Based Backups

After upgrading to vCenter Server 8, it is recommended to configure file-based backups of the vCenter Server. You can also configure a recurring schedule to have backups taken at a regular frequency.

- [Schedule a File-Based Backup](#)

### Convert Clusters to Image-Based Management

Once you have upgraded to vSphere 8 (both vCenter Server and ESXi) you can convert ESXi clusters from baseline-based lifecycle management to image-based lifecycle management.

- [Switching from Using Baselines to Using Images](#)

### Inspect vSphere Certificate Expirations

vSphere certificates typically have a 2 year life span. It is recommended to inspect the validity of your vSphere certificates and plan a refresh if approaching their expiration.

- [Managing Certificates with the vSphere Client](#)

### Apply vSphere 8 Licenses

vSphere 8 licenses are incompatible with vSphere 8. After you upgrade to vSphere 8, you avail of a 60 day evaluation period. Before that evaluation period expires, you should apply new vSphere 8 and vSAN 8 licenses.

- [Managing Licenses](#)

