

6294 – Plan and Manage Windows 7 Desktop Deployments and Environments

Vendor Course Code: 6294

Course Length: 5 days

Overview: This five-day instructor-led course is intended for desktop administrators who want to specialise in desktop deployment, configuration, and management. In this course, students will learn how to plan and deploy Windows 7 desktops in large organisation. They will also learn how to design, configure, and manage the Windows 7 client environment. This course helps students prepare for the Exam 70-686, Pro: Windows 7, Enterprise Desktop Administrator

Skills Gained: After completing this course, students will be able to:

- Prepare to deploy Windows 7 business desktops.
- Assess and resolve application compatibility issues with Windows 7.
- Determine the most appropriate method to deploy Windows 7 based upon specific business requirements.
- Design a standard Windows 7 image by assessing and evaluating the business requirements.
- Deploy Windows 7 by using WAIK.
- Deploy Windows 7 by using WDS.
- Deploy Windows 7 by using Lite Touch Installation.
- Deploy Windows 7 by using Zero Touch Installation.
- Migrate user state by using Windows Easy Transfer and User State Migration Tool 4.0.
- Design, configure, and manage the Windows 7 client environment.
- Plan and deploy applications and updates to Windows 7 client computers.
- Plan and deploy Windows 7 by using LTI. (Lab-Only Module)

Key Topics:

Module 1: Preparing to Deploy Windows 7 Business Desktops

This module helps you plan and perform effective preparation tasks for deploying Windows 7 clients. It begins by discussing client, hardware, and deployment lifecycles. It also discusses how to assess existing computing environments and licensing.

Lessons

Overview of the Desktop Lifecycle

Desktop Deployment: Challenges and Considerations

Tools and Technologies Used in the Desktop Deployment Lifecycle

Assessing the Current Computing Environment for Deploying Windows 7

Designing Windows Activation

Lab : Assessing the Computing Environment by Using the Microsoft Assessment and Planning Toolkit

Assessing the Computing Environment by Using Microsoft Assessment and Planning Toolkit

Lab : Recommending an Activation Strategy

Review the Activation Scenario

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe the client, hardware, and desktop deployment lifecycles.
- Explain the challenges involved and considerations for deploying desktops.
- Describe the tools and technologies that are used in the desktop deployment lifecycle.
- Assess the current computing environment to determine the feasibility of deploying Windows 7.
- Design the licensing and activation strategy for a given business scenario.

Module 2: Assessing Application Compatibility in Windows 7

This module describes the process for addressing common application compatibility issues experienced during a typical operating system deployment. It also explains how to use the Microsoft Application Compatibility Toolkit (ACT) to help inventory, analyse, and mitigate application compatibility issues.

Lessons

Overview of Application Compatibility

Assessing and Resolving Application Compatibility Issues by Using ACT 5.5

Lab : Evaluating Application Compatibility Using the Microsoft Application Compatibility Toolkit

Installing and Configuring ACT

Collecting Application Inventory

Organising the Application Inventory

Analysing Application Inventory Results

Lab : Creating Application Compatibility Fixes

Identifying Application Compatibility Issues

Mitigating Application Issues

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe the process and guidelines for resolving common application compatibility issues during an operating system deployment.
- Inventory, analyse, and mitigate application compatibility issues by using ACT 5.5.

Module 3: Evaluating Windows 7 Deployment Methods

This module discusses different deployment scenarios and methods that are available when deploying Windows 7. It also discusses various tools and technologies to use in the different scenarios, and considerations for selecting a deployment scenario and method.

Lessons

Evaluating In-Place Deployment

Evaluating Side-by-Side Deployment

Evaluating Lite-Touch Deployment Method

Evaluating Zero-Touch Deployment Method

Lab : Determining the Windows 7 Deployment Method

Determining Windows 7 Deployment Methods

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Determine the feasibility of installing Windows 7 by using in-place deployment.
- Determine the feasibility of installing Windows 7 by using side-by-side deployment.
- Determine the feasibility of using the lite-touch deployment method for deploying Windows 7 in a given business scenario.
- Determine the feasibility of using the zero-touch deployment method for deploying Windows 7 in a given business scenario.

Module 4: Designing Standard Windows 7 Images

This module, explains the underlying architecture of the computer imaging system that can be used to create and deploy a custom image of a Windows 7 desktop. It also discusses the different phases of the imaging process, and how to determine imaging strategy and image servicing opportunities in Windows 7.

Lessons

Overview of Windows 7 Installation Architecture

Overview of the Imaging Process

Determining the Image Strategy

Selecting the Image Servicing Methods

Lab : Determining the Windows 7 Imaging Strategy

Determining the Windows 7 Image Strategy

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Explain the Windows 7 installation architecture.
- Explain the different phases of the imaging process.

- Determine the appropriate Windows 7 imaging strategy based on specific business requirements.
- Select appropriate image servicing methods to service Windows 7 images based on specific business requirements.

Module 5: Deploying Windows 7 by Using WAIK

This module explains the underlying computer imaging architecture of Windows AIK 2.0, which can be used to create and deploy a custom Windows 7 desktop image.

Lessons

Overview of WAIK 2.0

Building a Reference Windows 7 Image by Using Windows SIM and Sysprep.

Managing the Windows Preinstallation Environment.

Capturing, Applying, and Servicing a Windows 7 Image.

Lab : Installing WAIK

Install the Windows Automated Installation Kit.

Identify Resources and Tools included with the Windows Automated Installation Kit.

Lab : Building a Reference Image Using Windows SIM and Sysprep

Building a Custom Answer File by Using Windows SIM.

Installing a Reference Computer using a Custom Answer File.

Generalising a Reference Computer by Using Sysprep.

Lab : Creating Windows PE Boot Media

Adding Packages and Drivers to Windows PE.

Creating a Bootable Windows PE ISO Image.

Starting the Windows PE Operating System Environment.

Lab : Capturing and Applying a Windows 7 Image Using ImageX

Capturing an Image Using ImageX.

Apply an Image Using ImageX.

Lab : Servicing Images **by Using DISM**

Servicing a Reference image using DISM.

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Explain the key features and functionality provided by WAIK 2.0.
- Build a reference Windows 7 image by using Windows SIM and Sysprep.
- Create a custom Windows PE bootable image.
- Capture, apply, and service a Windows 7 image.

Module 6: Deploying Windows 7 by Using Windows Deployment Services

This module describes how WDS can be used to deploy custom system images to client computers located within the network infrastructure.

Lessons

Overview of WDS

Designing and Configuring WDS for Windows 7 Deployment

Lab : Deploying Windows 7 by Using Windows Deployment Services

Designing the WDS Environment

Installing and Configuring the WDS Server Role

Adding Boot and Install Images to WDS

Provisioning Drivers by Using WDS

Deploying a Desktop Operating System Using WDS

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Explain how WDS can be used to deploy Windows 7.
- Design and configure WDS for Windows 7 deployment.

Module 7: Deploying Windows 7 by Using Lite Touch Installation

This module describes how to design the Lite Touch Installation (LTI) environment, and provides

you with an overview of the techniques that you can use to build and deploy Windows 7 using the MDT and the LTI scenario.

Lessons

Designing the Lite Touch Installation Environment
Implementing MDT 2010 for Deploying Windows 7

Lab : Planning and Configuring MDT 2010
Planning the MDT Lite Touch Environment
Installing MDT 2010 and Additional Component Files
Configuring the Deployment Share
Creating a Task Sequence

Lab : Deploying Windows 7 by Using Lite Touch Installation
Updating the Deployment Share to Generate Windows PE Media
Installing Windows 7 Using Lite Touch Installation

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Design the Lite Touch installation environment for deploying Windows 7.
- Perform Lite Touch installation of Windows 7 by using MDT 2010.

Module 8: Deploying Windows 7 by Using Zero Touch Installation

This module describes the necessary prerequisites and procedures for deploying the Windows 7 operating system using Zero Touch Installation methodology.

Lessons

Designing the Zero Touch Installation Environment
Performing Zero-touch Installation of Windows 7 by using MDT 2010 and Configuration Manager 2007

Lab : Deploying Windows 7 by Using Zero Touch Installation
Planning the Zero Touch Installation Environment
Preparing the Zero Touch Installation Environment
Configuring Deployment Packages and System Images
Configuring and Advertising a Client Task Sequence

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Design the Zero Touch installation environment for deploying Windows 7.
- Perform the Zero Touch installation of Windows 7 by using MDT 2010 and Configuration Manager 2007.

Module 9: Migrating User State by Using WET and USMT 4.0

This module explains user state migration, and how to use tools, such as Windows Easy Transfer and the Microsoft Windows User State Migration Tool (USMT), in various migration scenarios.

Lessons

Overview of User State Migration
Overview of USMT 4.0
Planning User State Migration (USMT 4.0)
Migrating User State by Using USMT 4.0

Lab : Migrating User State by Using Windows Easy Transfer
Preparing the Window Easy Transfer Source Files
Capturing User State Information from a Source Computer
Loading User State Information to a Target Computer

Lab : Migrating User State by Using the User State Migration Tool 4.0
Planning for the User State Migration
Creating USMT Migration Scripts
Capturing and Restoring User State by Using USMT
Performing a Hard-Link Migration

Lab : Migrating User State by Using State using Hard Link Migration
Performing a Hard-Link Migration

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Migrate user state by using WET.
- Explain how USMT 4.0 can be used to migrate user state.
- Plan for user state migration.
- Migrate user state by using USMT 4.0.

Module 10: Designing, Configuring, and Managing the Client Environment

This module examines how to design, configure, and manage Windows 7 client configurations. Specifically, it discusses Group Policy, Internet Explorer, and system security settings.

Lessons

Overview of Planning Client Configuration
Designing and Configuring Standard System Settings
Designing and Configuring Internet Explorer Settings
Designing and Configuring Security Settings
Designing and Implementing Group Policy
Troubleshooting Group Policy

Lab : Designing and Configuring the Client Environment

Designing a Client Environment
Implementing a Client Configuration

Lab : Troubleshooting GPO Issues

Resolving a GPO Application Problem

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Determine the method for implementing the client configuration.
- Design and configure standard system settings on Windows 7 client computers.
- Design and configure Internet Explorer settings on Windows 7 client computers.
- Design and configure security settings on Windows 7 client computers.
- Design and implement group policy for configuring Windows 7 client computers.
- Troubleshoot group policy issues.

Module 11: Planning and Deploying Applications and Updates to Windows 7 Clients

This module discusses the implications of deploying applications to Windows 7 clients including Microsoft Office 2007. It also discusses the use of Windows Server Update Services (WSUS).

Lessons

Determining the Application Deployment Method
Deploying Office 2007
Planning and Configuring Desktop Updates by Using WSUS

Lab : Determining the Application Deployment Method

Determining the Application Deployment Method

Lab : Customising the Microsoft Office Professional Plus 2007 Installation

Configuring the Setup Category
Configuring the Features Category
Installing Microsoft Office Professional Plus By Using the Setup Customisation File

Lab : Planning and Managing Updates by Using WSUS

Planning Automatic Updates Settings
Configuring Automatic Updates Settings by Using Group Policy
Approving and Deploying an Update by Using WSUS

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Determine an appropriate application deployment method based upon business requirements.
- Customise and deploy Office 2007 based on business requirements.
- Plan and configure desktop updates by using WSUS.

Module 12: Planning and Deploying Windows 7 by Using LTI

This module is a comprehensive lab that gives the students an opportunity to perform an end-to-end deployment of Windows 7 by using the LTI.

Lab : Planning an End-to-End Windows 7 LTI Deployment
Planning the MDT Lite Touch Environment

Lab : Deploying Windows 7 using the LTI Deployment Plan
Performing a Network Assessment
Configuring MDT 2010 for an LTI Deployment
Configuring WDS for a PXE and Multicast Deployment
Configuring an MDT 2010 Deployment Share
Creating the Reference Computer
Preparing the Deployment Task Sequences
Performing an Upgrade on Target Computers

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Plan an end-to-end Windows 7 LTI deployment.
- Deploy Windows 7 by using the LTI deployment plan.

Target Audience:

This course is intended for IT Professionals who are interested in specialising in Windows 7 desktop and application deployments and managing the desktop environments for large organisations. People attending this training could be support technicians or currently in deployment roles and are looking at taking the next step in their career or enhancing their skills in the areas of planning and deploying Windows 7 desktops.

Prerequisites:

Before attending this course, students must have:

- A solid understanding of TCP/IP and networking concepts.
- A solid Windows and Active Directory background. For example, domain user accounts, domain vs. local user accounts, user profiles, and group membership.
- A good understanding of scripts and batch files.
- A solid understanding of security concepts such as authentication and authorisation.
- Performed a clean installation of Windows 7, Upgrade to Windows 7, and migrate user-related data and settings from Windows XP.
- Configured disks, partitions, volumes, and device drivers to enable Windows 7 to function as desired.
- Experience configuring and troubleshooting permissions and other settings to allow access to resources and applications on Windows 7 Systems.
- Experience configuring settings to enable network connectivity.
- Experience configuring and troubleshooting a wireless network connection.
- Experience configuring and troubleshooting Windows 7 security.
- Configure mobile computers and devices.
- Familiarity with the client administration capabilities of Windows Server and familiar with management tools such as the System Centre suite of products.
- Familiarity with deployment, packaging, and imaging tools.
- The ability to work in a team/virtual team
- Trained and mentored others