



Qualys Patch Management

Release Notes

Version 1.6

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Support for Using Public APIs

A few Patch Management features are now available through REST APIs. You can perform the tasks faster and automate the requests using the REST APIs. Some of the functions that you can perform using APIs are:

- Create deployment jobs
- Get a list of assets, patches, and jobs in your environment
- Get a list of vulnerabilities and vulnerability details in your environment
- Generate and download Assets, Patches, and Job Progress reports

You can log on to the Swagger UI or use JSON Web Token (JWT) for external authentication for requests. Refer to the new [Patch Management API User Guide](#) for detailed information.

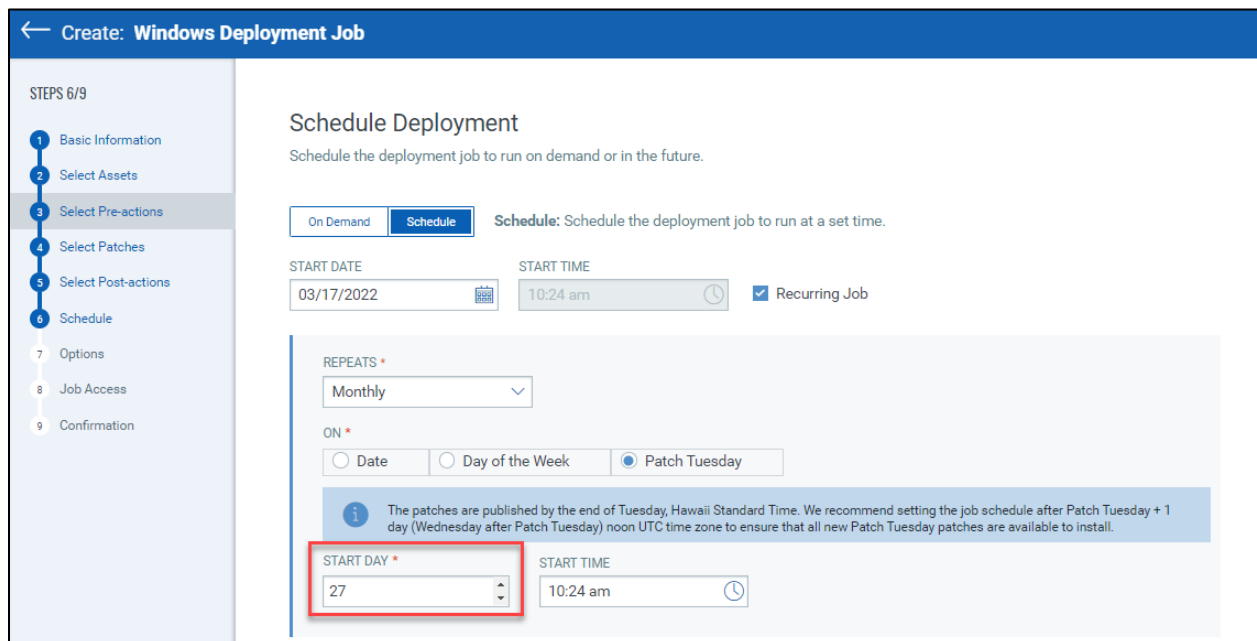
Support for New Operating Systems for Patching Linux Assets

With this release, the following new operating systems are supported for patching Linux assets:

- Oracle Linux 6, 7, and 8
- Amazon Linux and Amazon Linux 2

Schedule Jobs for Patch Tuesday +1 to +27 days

You can now set the schedule to start a Windows deployment job for Patch Tuesday from +1 to +27 days.



← Create: Windows Deployment Job

STEPS 6/9

- 1 Basic Information
- 2 Select Assets
- 3 Select Pre-actions
- 4 Select Patches
- 5 Select Post-actions
- 6 Schedule
- 7 Options
- 8 Job Access
- 9 Confirmation

Schedule Deployment

Schedule the deployment job to run on demand or in the future.

Schedule: Schedule the deployment job to run at a set time.

START DATE: 03/17/2022

START TIME: 10:24 am

Recurring Job

REPEATS *
Monthly

ON *
 Date Day of the Week Patch Tuesday

i The patches are published by the end of Tuesday, Hawaii Standard Time. We recommend setting the job schedule after Patch Tuesday + 1 day (Wednesday after Patch Tuesday) noon UTC time zone to ensure that all new Patch Tuesday patches are available to install.

START DAY *
27

START TIME
10:24 am

New Change Registry Action for Windows Deployment Jobs

You can now use the Change Registry Key pre-action or post-action for a Windows deployment job. To use the new action, navigate to Jobs > **Windows** > **Create Job** > **Select Pre-actions** or **Select Post-actions**.

Select Pre-Actions

Select an action that you want to execute on assets before the job starts.

Change Registry Key

Configuration

Key PATH ending with Key name *

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Internet Explorer\Main\FeatureContr

Registry Type *

REG_DWORD

Registry Value name *

iexplorer.exe

Registry Value data *

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Add New Key *

True False

Cancel Add


Prioritized Products are now available as a Primary Tab

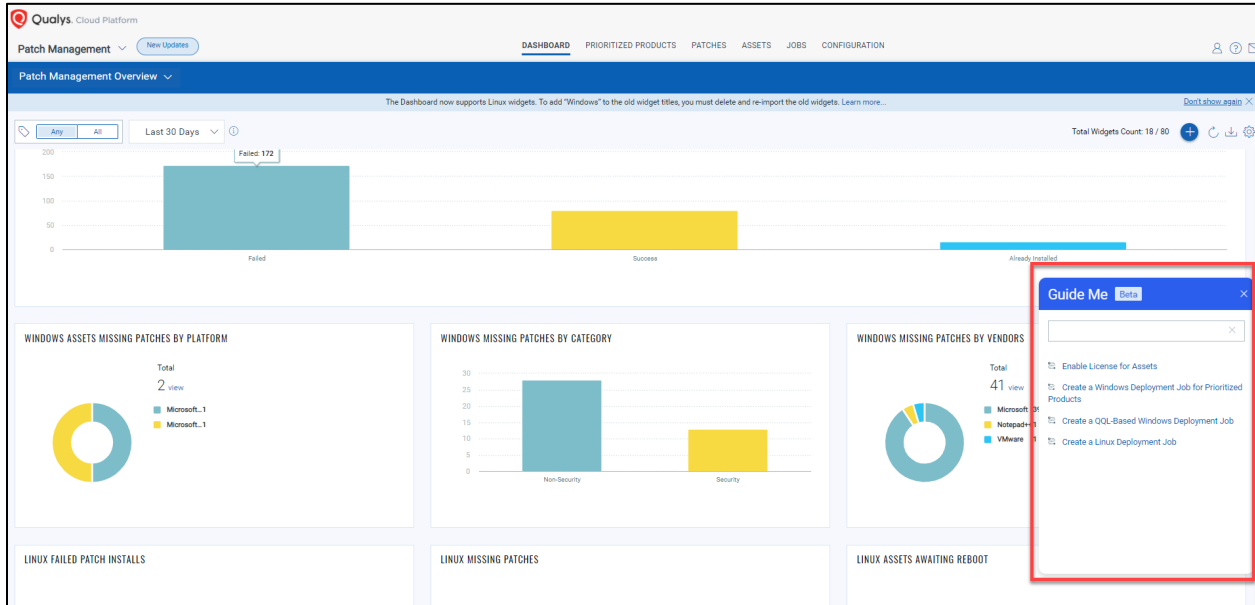
We have moved the **Prioritized Products** into a new tab to enable an easier way for you to patch vulnerabilities for prioritized products in your environment.

APP FAMILY NAME	VULNERABILITIES
Chrome	266
Edge	161
Windows	106
VMware Tools	5
Windows Defender	2

In-App Guided Tours for Better User Assistance (Beta)

You can now use the in-app guided tours to learn about various features and how to use them. The guided tours provide step-by-step help, ensuring optimum user assistance within the app.

To launch a guided tour, click  and choose a specific topic to start with the step-by-step help.



The screenshot displays the Qualys Cloud Platform Patch Management dashboard. The main header includes the Qualys logo, 'Cloud Platform', and navigation tabs for 'DASHBOARD', 'PRIORITIZED PRODUCTS', 'PATCHES', 'ASSETS', 'JOBS', and 'CONFIGURATION'. The 'Patch Management Overview' section features a bar chart showing patch status: 'Failed' (172), 'Success', and 'Already installed'. Below this are three charts: 'WINDOWS ASSETS MISSING PATCHES BY PLATFORM' (Total 2), 'WINDOWS MISSING PATCHES BY CATEGORY' (Non-Security, Security), and 'WINDOWS MISSING PATCHES BY VENDORS' (Total 41). A 'Guide Me' popup window is overlaid on the right, listing tasks such as 'Enable License for Assets', 'Create a Windows Deployment Job for Prioritized Products', 'Create a OOL-Based Windows Deployment Job', and 'Create a Linux Deployment Job'.

Issues Addressed

- We fixed an issue where a user with the Reader role could not search for an asset tag while creating a deployment job.
- We fixed an issue where on the Patch Catalog page if you opened the patch details for any patch and navigated back to the Patch Catalog page, the custom selection for the displayed row reverted to the default setting of 1-50 rows.