# Collaborate efficiently with Confluence 7.19 Long Term Support release

**Each year, Atlassian releases a Long Term Support release (LTS). These releases provide you with continued access to critical security, stability, data integrity, and performance fixes for the two-year support window before this version reaches its end of life. LTS releases are our most stable versions and therefore are preferred by teams who can only upgrade once per year.**

Confluence 7.19, the most recent LTS, was released in July 2022 and offers significant value since the previous LTS, Confluence 7.13, was released in August 2021. While the newest LTS release includes various exciting features and value, you will see noticeable enhancements in performance and scale and enhanced security and compliance. This can quickly be seen in features like application monitoring, OAuth 2.0, and faster permissions checks.
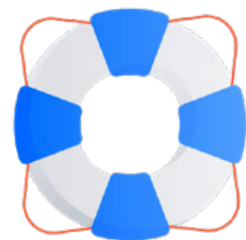
# Enhanced security and increased compliance

As your enterprise scales, protecting your mission-critical applications becomes increasingly important. With Confluence 7.19 you have access to our most secure offering yet. Built with end-to-end security features, data visibility, and more – Confluence 7.19 can help you maintain control of your instance and mitigate risk.

☑ **OAuth 2.0**
Configure Confluence as an OAuth 2.0 client and provider, allowing it to exchange data with external applications in both directions. (**7.17**)

☑ **Encrypt your database password**
Increase the security measures in your instance by encrypting the database password. (**7.17**)

☑ **Updated VPAT documents**
Deliver practical solutions for all employees with software built to meet accessibility needs. (**7.17**)

☑ **Use multiple identity providers (IdPs)**
Configure multiple SAML or OpenID Connect identity providers for single sign-on (SSO) authentication. (**7.16**)

☑ **Block basic authentication**
Disable basic authentication to prevent people from authenticating with a username and password. (**7.16**)

## Optimal performance and stable scalability

Since the last LTS release, Confluence has added several new features designed for powerful, reliable software you can count on. This includes guidance on how best to optimize environments and keep your instance running smoothly.

☑ **Application monitoring**
Gain deeper insights into what third-party apps are doing in your instance. Troubleshoot issues with a specific app, or determine whether an app may have contributed to a drop in overall performance or stability. (**7.17**)

☑ **Clean up historical data automatically**
Maintain site performance by setting retention rules to specify how long to keep historical data. (**7.16**)

☑ **Faster permissions checks for complex sites**
Configure Confluence to quickly check permissions, optimizing site performance. (**7.16**)

## Flexible infrastructure

Whether you're preparing for an upgrade, expanding your current infrastructure, or working across deployments, Confluence 7.19 is ready to help self-managed teams deploy flexibly on an infrastructure that meets your unique needs.

☑ **Logging and profiling**
You can now choose which cluster node you want to apply your changes to on the Logging and Profiling administration page. (**7.18**)

☑ **Application tunnels**
Work across teams with ease when you integrate Atlassian Cloud and self-managed (Data Center and Server) products through secure application links. (**7.18**)

☑ **Install Confluence Data Center on Kubernetes**
Drive greater agility amongst your teams while experiencing a simplified administrative experience at scale, without compromising your organization's regulatory requirements. (**7.14**)

## Convenient Data and Insights

Access to Data and insights helps you understand how work is getting done across your organization. Confluence 7.19 unlocks actionable data insights to better inform your decision-making capabilities with features like exclude spaces from the data pipeline.

- ☑ **Exclude spaces from the data pipeline**
  Exclude spaces from the export by adding them to an opt-out list. This is useful if you don't need to report on particular spaces, or they contain sensitive content that you'd prefer not to export. **(7.16)**

- ☑ **Schedule regular exports from the data pipeline**
  Schedule regular data pipeline exports from the data pipeline screen as frequently or as infrequently as you need. **(7.14)**

- ☑ **Change the export location from the data pipeline**
  Use the REST API to set a custom location for the data pipeline to export files to. **(7.14)**

## Improved user experience

Admins and end users alike will find Confluence 7.19 easier to use with the new import events into existing calendar feature, designed to help you get work done without extra effort.

- ☑ **Import events into an existing calendar**
  You can now import an iCalendar (.ics) file into an existing team calendar. **(7.14)**

# Ready to upgrade?

**Get started here**