Dear Sir/Madam,

We present to you the next edition of our Software Licensing Bulletin, which highlights the concepts of Microsoft® Windows Licensing.

- Windows 10 is available in Home and Pro both of which can be used in a commercial environment. Windows 10 Home cannot join an AD Domain.
- Windows 10 Pro OEM (bundled with a new PC) can be downgraded to Windows 8 Pro or Windows 7 Pro only not to Vista or XP. If SA is attached to this system, the user can downgrade further.
- Windows 10 Pro full version is only available via FPP (retail) channel. It does not have any downgrade rights to previous version. It can be transferred to a new PC.
- Windows 10 Pro GGS cannot be bought along with new systems as part of a regular procurement process. It is a Creative Legalization solution to cover mislicensed or under licensed systems. This license has downgrade rights same as OEM. This license is attached to the device and it cannot be transferred.
- Windows 10 Enterprise LTB (Device only) can be purchased with or without Software Assurance via Volume License agreements and it is an upgrade license which requires a qualifying base OS license.
- Windows 10 Enterprise E3 and E5 can be purchased per device or per user subscription license. SA is mandatory.
- Windows VDA Per user can be assigned to any user and it does not have any specific device requirements.

We hope the bulletin was informative. We would be happy to provide you additional information that you may require on the subject. Please write to us at in-fmkpmgccsbulletin@kpmg.com, for any queries or feedback.

Regards,
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