Tenable Vulnerability Management and Tenable Web Application Scanning in FedRAMP Moderate Update April 8, 2024 - Frequently Asked Questions

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Major feature update during the week of April 8, 2024

During the week of April 8, 2024, Tenable will push a major update of features and functionality to all customer containers in FedRAMP Moderate. Both Tenable Vulnerability Management (VM) and Tenable Web Application Scanning (WAS) will be updated.

These updates will align product functionality in FedRAMP Moderate with comparable functionality in commercial instances of VM and WAS.

How does my organization get the update?

Tenable will update your FedRAMP Moderate containers for VM and/or WAS the week of April 8, 2024. No action is required on your part.

Note: After your container is updated, please log out and log in again in order to refresh your view and see the updated UI and feature set.

Will there still be some differences between FedRAMP and commercial products?

Yes. Some product features cannot be enabled in the FedRAMP environment because the services they rely upon are not authorized to operate.

What product features for commercial VM and WAS are not available in FedRAMP after this update?

- PCI
- User Assist
- Lumin
- Cloud connectors
- Sensor proxy
- Localized languages (available in US English-only)

Will there be documentation for this update?

Yes. Two update documents will be provided to all FedRAMP customers, one for VM and one for WAS. These documents briefly describe all the new features and functionality in the update. Detailed documentation is available at docs.tenable.com.

Will there be separate documentation for FedRAMP customers going forward?

No. Because this update aligns FedRAMP with commercial features and functionality, there will be one documentation set on docs.tenable.com for VM and WAS. Any differences between FedRAMP and commercial products will be highlighted in the on-line documentation.

Will there be videos or a webinar?

The Tenable FedRAMP Security Engineering team is preparing both a video overview of the update and a live presentation. Tenable will notify you when these update presentations are scheduled and available.

What changes will I see in the user interface?

The first change you will see is the new Workspace. From there, you can select any of the tiles that correspond to the Tenable products you have licensed and be directed to that product's landing page.

There are many new features as well as updates to the existing user experience that you will see in VM and WAS. Please see the accompanying documents as well as the on-line product documentation at docs.tenable.com to learn more about these changes.

What are the major areas where I will see new or updated features?

The major areas of update are:

- Explorer Workbenches, Tagging, Export, and RBAC

- Dashboard Templates and Widgets

- Self-service Security Settings

- Rule-based Agent Scanning and Agent Updates

- Enhanced Asset Hostname Detection

- Scan Settings and performance

- Differential Plugin Updates for Linked Tenable Nessus Scanners

Why do I see both the new Explorer workbenches in the user interface in addition to the legacy workbenches?

Explorer workbenches are a major upgrade to the user experience and functionality in VM and WAS. In order to give you time to work with the new feature sets while continuing to use existing workflows in the legacy workbenches, Tenable has enabled both types of workbenches for a period of time.

Note: Tenable will remove the legacy workbenches from your VM and WAS user interface at a future date, later in 2024. Tenable will notify you with specific dates well in advance of the change.