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HP-UX Java™ - End of Support Policy & Release Naming Terminology

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Overview

With the increased number of J2SE™ releases, we are sometimes asked about the differences between HPE and Oracle's Java™ end-of-support policies, as well as the differences in how we name releases.

Some of our HP-UX Java documentation may use the term *discontinue* or *obsolete*, which is consistent with HP-UX terminology. However, this caused some confusion about how those terms relate to Oracle's end-of-support terminology. In an effort to reduce the confusion, this document will now use the term *end-of-support*, or simply *EOS*, to describe when a Java product, hereafter simply called “product,” is discontinued and no longer supported. This document describes HPE's policy.

Impact of a product's end-of-support status

After a product reaches its end-of-support date, it is moved to the [archived releases web page](#). At this point the product is still made available for historical purposes and to allow developers to resolve issues with discontinued products. However, when a product has reached its end of support, the following conditions apply:

- HPE will not fix defects. If customers report a defect that has been fixed in a later release, they will be encouraged to migrate to the later release.
- No future minor or maintenance releases will be delivered.
- No workarounds will be investigated or provided by the HP-UX Java development or support group.

HP-UX Java product versioning

HPE's Java product versioning scheme is related to, but different from, Oracle's versioning scheme. For example, HPE's 7.0.15 is not directly comparable to Oracle's 1.7.0_15, because our release contents and dates are driven by the needs of our customers, partners, and operating system/ hardware platform business. Furthermore, HPE occasionally backports defect and security bulletin fixes from a later Oracle release (for example, 8.0) to an earlier one (for example, 7.0). An HPE maintenance release (for example, 7.0.15), would contain some set of Oracle's 7.0 maintenance fixes and might include additional HPE defect fixes. The release notes for each HP-UX Java release specify the Oracle version level on which the HP-UX product is based. For all fixes in a specific release, see the release notes for that release. Release notes are listed under “Getting started” for Java documentation on the [HPE Support Center](#).

HP-UX Java versions history

For a history of our HP-UX Java 6.0, 7.0 and 8.0 technology releases and their equivalent Oracle releases, see *HP-UX 11i Java Version History* under “General reference” for Java documentation on the [HPE Support Center](#).

HP-UX Java support life

Table 1 Supported versions of Java on HP-UX on Integrity Servers

Java SE Version	Status	EOS Dates
Java SE 6	Supported	June 30, 2018
Java SE 7	Supported	TBA
Java SE 8	Supported	TBA

Table 2 Supported versions of Java on HP-UX on PA-RISC Servers

Java SE Version	Status	EOS Dates
Java SE 6	Supported	June 30, 2018

NOTE:

1. All these Java versions are supported on HP-UX 11i v3.
2. The EOS dates mentioned reflect the current plans and are subject to change.

Table 3 EOS dates for older versions

Java SE Version	EOS Dates
Java SE 5	March 18, 2014
Java SE 4	May 1, 2012

All versions prior to Java 1.4.2 reached EOS on February 28, 2007 or earlier.

Customers are advised to always have a supported version of Java in their environment and make plans to migrate to the latest versions as per the EOS dates of older versions to ensure ongoing support.