

Deployment Processes

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View Application Manager Deployment Processes

The **Deployment Processes** page displays information about all your Application Manager deployment processes. From this page, you can add a new deployment process and pause or delete deployment processes.

Deployment process information:

- Environment: Displays the Configuration Manager or Intune environment targeted by the deployment process.
- Applications: Number of applications in the deployment process. Click the number to view and manage the
 applications in the deployment process.
- Date Processed
- Status of the deployment process:
 - Successful The application was imported successfully to MECM.
 - Running The application import is in progress.
 - **Pending run** A new deployment process that has not started. To start the deployment process, click the ellipsis (...) in the Actions column and click **Run**.
 - Paused The deployment process is temporarily stopped and Application Manager won't import new versions of the selected applications.
 - **Warning** The application was imported into Configuration Manager, but Application Manager wasn't able to create all the specified deployments. Make sure any specified collections exist in MECM.
 - Error The application import failed and requires troubleshooting.
- **Total Process Time**: The number of days from the start of the first deployment step to the end of the last deployment step.

Actions

- View Details including the applications included, the total duration, the list of deployment steps, and any delays.
- Click the ellipsis (...) to Run, Pause or Delete the deployment process. Select Manage Settings to modify all
 deployment process related settings.

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Add a Deployment Process

A deployment process defines a set of applications to be deployed to specified collections or groups. A deployment process is made up of one or more individual deployments, each of which deploys the same set of applications out to different device or user collections or groups.

For deployment processes with more advanced settings, we recommend configuring options on the **Deployment Processes** page, rather than via the Initial Setup Wizard.

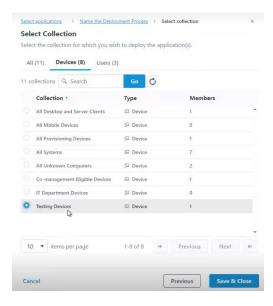
Beginning with Recast Software Version 5.7.2411.1105, Application Manager can deploy applications concurrently in ConfigMgr and Intune environments.

Create a New Deployment Process

Each deployment process consists of applications to deploy and the collection(s) or group(s) to which the applications will be deployed.

To create a new deployment process:

- 1. In your Recast Management Server, navigate to Application Manager > Deployment Processes.
- 2. On the **Deployment Processes** page, click **Add Deployment Process**.
- 3. In the **Select Environment** side panel that opens, choose a Configuration Manager or Intune environment that is listed as 'Ready'. Click **Next**.
- 4. Search for and select the applications to deploy with this deployment process. Click **Next**.
- 5. Name the deployment process and click **Next**.
- 6. Search for and select the ConfigMgr collection or Intune group to which you'll first deploy the chosen applications. You may, for example, want to start by deploying the applications to a collection of Testing Devices.



- 7. Click **Save & Close** to return to the **Deployment Processes** page. The first deployment step will be listed under the deployment process name.
- 8. Set when the deployment will be forced. You can choose to initiate the installation **Immediately** or you can give users a grace period of 1-7 days to manually set their deployment time before the installation is forced.

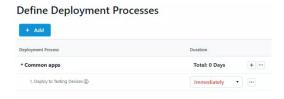
Settings for new deployments are automatically inherited from the Global Deployment Settings. The default deployment type is **Required**. The option can be edited in Application Manager's deployment settings.

Deploy Applications to Another Collection or Group

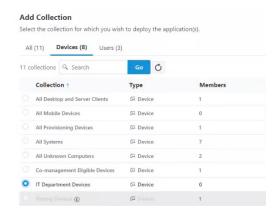
You can deploy the same application updates to another collection or group by adding a deployment step to your deployment process.

To add a deployment:

1. Click the plus sign (+) to the right of the deployment process name. In this example, the deployment process is named **Common apps**.



2. In the **Add Collection** side panel that opens, select the collection or group to which the applications will deploy next. In this example, the target collection is **IT Department Devices**.



3. Click Save & Close to return to the Deployment Processes page. A second deployment will be listed below the first.

To edit a collection, click the ellipsis (...) to the right of a deployment step and select **Edit Collection** from the drop-down.

Add a Delay Before a Deployment Step

You may want to add extra time ahead of a deployment step to, for example, allow for feedback following the initial test deployment. You can delay an individual deployment step by up to 30 days.

To add a delay:

- 1. Click the ellipsis (...) to the right of a deployment step.
- 2. Select **Add Delay** from the drop-down. A **Delay X days** row will appear above the chosen deployment step, meaning that the delay will happen before that step.
- 3. Select a number of days to delay the next deployment step in the list.

TIP: Hovering over a delay on the timeline opens a summary of delay details.

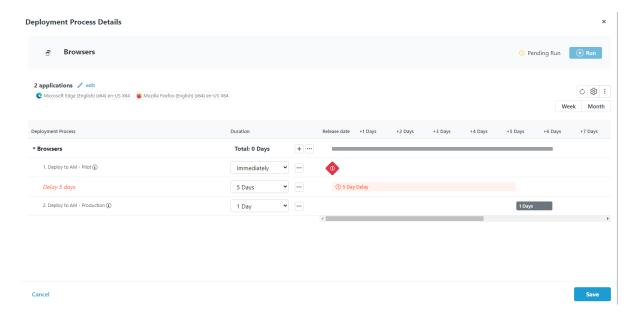
View Deployment Process Duration and Schedule

As you add collections/groups and set the start of each deployment step, the timeline will reflect the duration and schedule for the deployment process. You can scale the timeline by **Week** or by **Month**. The total deployment duration is the number of days from the deployment availability time (in Software Center) to when the application is installed automatically.

Example Deployment Process

In this example, Microsoft Edge and Mozilla Firefox are deployed to the AM - Pilot and AM - Production collections.

- AM Pilot deployment will start immediately after the selected application is imported into Configuration Manager.
- AM Production deployment will start 5 days after the AM Pilot deployment. The installation deadline is 1 day after the availability time.



TIP: Hovering over a grey bar on the timeline opens a summary of when the deployment is available and when it will be installed automatically.

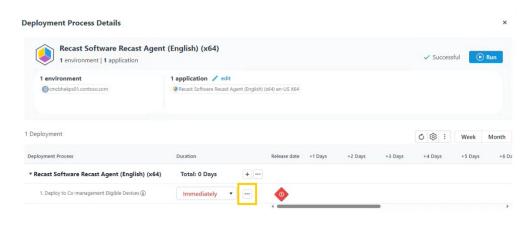
Edit Deployment Process Settings

The settings you can choose at the deployment process or deployment level are the same as those listed under Global Deployment Process Settings and Global Deployment Settings, but these affect only a single deployment process or deployment.

NOTE: Settings marked with a caution icon are set directly within the deployment process. Any changes to global settings won't be inherited by this setting.

To review and/or edit your deployment process settings:

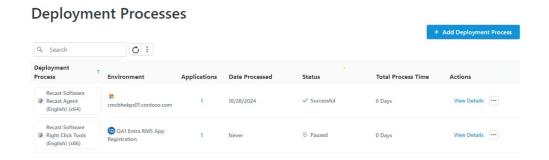
On the **Deployment Process Details** page, click the ellipsis (...) next to a deployment step and select **Manage Settings** from the drop-down.



Manage Applications in a Deployment Process

You can manage the applications included in a deployment process straight from the Application Manager **Deployment Processes** page.

Click on a number in the Applications column to view, add or remove applications. The list of applications is searchable and sortable.

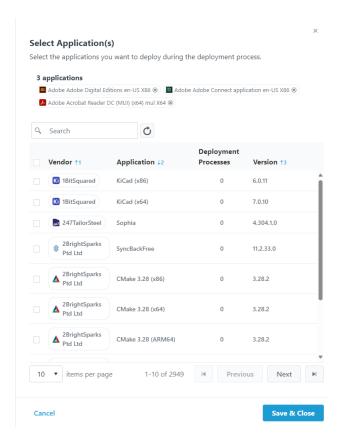


Sort the Application List

By default, the application list is sorted in ascending order, first by vendor and secondly by application name. Where sorting is applied, the selected options appear next to the column header label.

To sort the application list differently:

- 1. Click on a column header one or more times to cycle through and select sorting options.
- 2. Click Save & Close.



Add an Application to a Deployment Process

To add an application:

- 1. In the **Select Application(s)** side panel, click the checkbox to the left of the application to add.
- 2. Click Save & Close.

Remove an Application from a Deployment Process

To remove an application:

- 1. In the **Select Application(s)** side panel, click the **X** to the right of the application to remove it.
- 2. Click Save & Close.

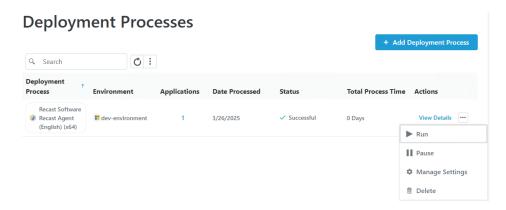
Pause a Deployment Process

When you pause a deployment process, Application Manager temporarily stops importing new versions of the selected applications. If a deployment process is running, it will be paused after completion.

Pause a single deployment process

To pause a deployment process from the **Deployment Processes** page:

- 1. On the **Deployment Processes** page, click the ellipsis (...) to the far right of the deployment process you want to pause.
- 2. Select **Pause** from the drop-down menu and confirm the pause.

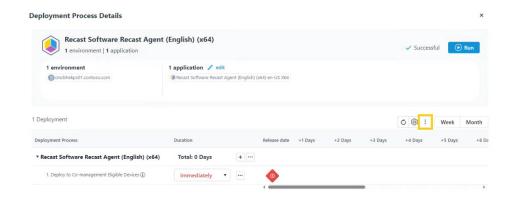


The status of the deployment process will change to Paused.

To resume a paused deployment process, click **Run** in the same drop-down menu.

To pause a deployment process from the **Deployment Process Details** page:

On the **Deployment Process Details** page, click the vertical ellipsis and choose **Pause** from the drop-down.



Pause all deployments

You can choose to put all deployments on hold at once.

To pause all deployments:

- 1. On the **Deployment Processes** page, click the vertical ellipsis next to the search bar.
- 2. Click Pause All Deployments.

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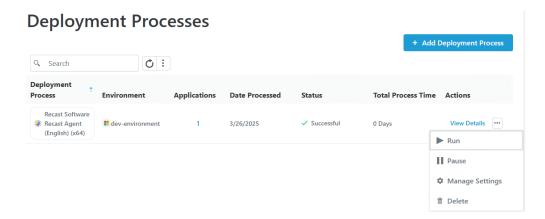
Delete a Deployment Process

When you delete a deployment process, the applications included in it are no longer updated as new versions become available.

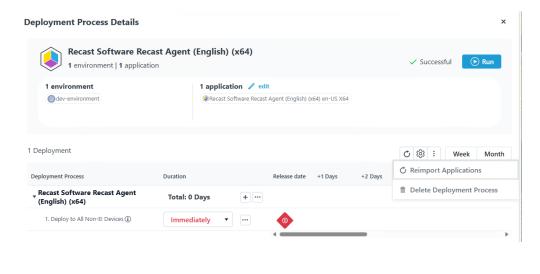
NOTE: These steps remove the deployment process from Application Manager. To completely remove the applications, you'll also need to delete the deployments and the applications in your Configuration Manager console or in Intune.

To delete a deployment process:

- 1. On the **Deployment Processes** page, click the horizontal ellipsis (...) next to the deployment process to delete.
- 2. Select **Delete** from the drop-down and confirm the deletion. This action cannot be undone.



TIP: You can also delete a deployment process from the **Deployment Process Details** page by clicking the vertical ellipsis, selecting **Delete Deployment Process**, and confirming the deletion.



Add Pre-/Post-Install Actions

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