

Manage Applications

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Add a Custom Application

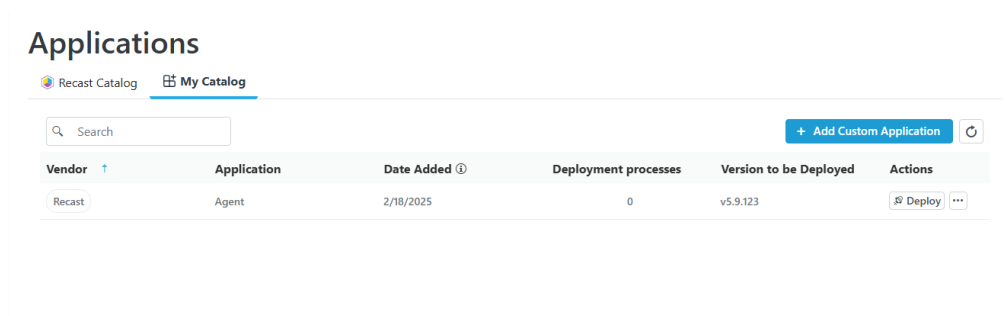
Add your own custom applications to Right Click Tools Patching and [include them in deployment processes](#), just as you do for applications from the Recast Catalog. Any custom application you add is only available within your own tenant and cannot be accessed by other Patching customers.

To add a custom application:

1. On the Recast Management Server **Applications** page, click the **My Catalog** tab.

TIP: You can also add a custom application when you [select applications for a new deployment process](#).

2. Click **Add Custom Application**.



3. In the side panel that opens, add the UNC path to the application's installation media location. Ensure that all required installation files and subfolders are located in the specified location before starting the install. Recast Proxy service user accounts must have Modify permissions for the specified UNC path.

Use a folder structure that will support new versions as well as other languages and architectures for the same application.

Recommended Format: `\\ServerName\Folder\PublisherName\ProductName\Version\Architecture\Language`

4. Define the application information by adding the following:

- Publisher
- Application Name
- Version
- Architecture
- Language

NOTE: When Patching finds an existing custom application with a matching Publisher, Application Name, Architecture and Language, it will create a new version of that custom application. If the existing custom application is included in a deployment process, the new version will be deployed automatically according to the deployment process settings.

5. Add the **Setup File Name**. The setup file must be a Windows installer file (.msi extension) or an executable file on the device where the application deployment will occur (.exe, .cmd or .bat extension). If the setup file is a Windows installer file, add the **MSI Product Code**.

6. Define the installation by entering an **Install Command** (required) and an **Uninstall Command** (optional).

7. Click **Add Rule** to add MSI, File or Registry detection rule details.

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To learn more about detection rule types, see Aapo Kettunen's blog post: [Choosing Detection Rules for Win32 Apps in Intune](#)

MSI Detection Rule

- **MSI Product Code**
- **MSI Product Version Check:** When enabled, enter the **Operator** (Equal, Not Equal, Greater Than, Less Than, Greater Than Or Equal, Less Than Or Equal) and **Value**

File Detection Rule

- **Path**
- **File or Folder**
- **Detection Method** (File exists, File version, or Path exists): For File Version only, enter the **Operator** (Equal, Not Equal, Greater Than, Less Than, Greater Than Or Equal, Less Than Or Equal) and **Value**
- **Associated with a 32-bit app on 64-bit clients** Set to 'No' by default

Registry Detection Rule

- **Key Path**
- **Value Name**
- **Detection Method** (Reg Value, Reg Value Exists): For Reg Value, enter the **Data Type** (String, Integer, Version) and **Operator**
 - String Operators (Equal, Not Equal)
 - Integer & Version Operators (Equal, Not Equal, Greater Than, Less Than, Greater Than Or Equal, Less Than Or Equal)
- **Associated with a 32-bit app on 64-bit clients** Set to 'No' by default

Once you have added a custom application, you're ready to deploy it as you would any application from the Recast Catalog. See [Add an Application to a Deployment Process](#).

Add an Application to a Deployment Process

Add one or more applications to a deployment process to deploy them to Configuration Manager or Intune environments.



Right Click Tools Patching can deploy applications concurrently in ConfigMgr and Intune environments.

There is currently no ability to control the order in which applications are updated.

To deploy an application from the **Applications** page:

1. On the **Applications** page, search for the application to deploy.
2. Click the **Deploy** button to the right of the application.

Applications

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My Catalog

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Vendor	Application	Date Added ⓘ ↓	Deployment processes	Version to be Deployed	Actions
Microsoft	Microsoft Visual Studio 2022 Enterprise (Current)	3/26/2025	0	v17.13.35919.96	Deploy ...
Microsoft	Microsoft Visual Studio 2022 Professional (Current)	3/26/2025	0	v17.13.35919.96	Deploy ...
Microsoft	Definition updates for Windows Defender Antivirus (x64)	3/26/2025	0	v1.425.250.0	Deploy ...

If the application is already included in an existing deployment process, the Deployment Processes side panel will open. From there you can [add a deployment process](#), view deployment process details, and [reimport applications](#).

If the application is not already included in a deployment process, clicking **Deploy** will open a panel where you can [add or edit a deployment process](#).

To deploy an application from the **Deployment Processes** page:

1. On the **Deployment Processes** page, search for an existing deployment process to edit.
2. Click on a number in the Applications column.

Deployment Processes

Search

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Deployment Process	Environment	Applications	Date Processed	Status	Total Process Time	Actions
Recast Software Recast Agent (English) (x64)	cmcbheks01.contoso.com	1	10/28/2024	Successful	0 Days	View Details ...
Recast Software Right Click Tools (English) (x86)	QA1 Entra RMS App Registration	1	Never	Paused	0 Days	View Details ...

3. In the **Select Application(s)** side panel that opens, click the checkbox to the left of the application to add.
4. Click **Save & Close**.

Select Application(s)

Select the applications you want to deploy during the deployment process.

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Adobe Adobe Digital Editions en-US X86

Adobe Adobe Connect application en-US X86

Adobe Acrobat Reader DC (MUI) (x64) mul X64

Search

☐	Vendor ^{↑1}	Application ^{↓2}	Deployment Processes	Version ^{↑3}
☐	1BitSquared	KiCad (x86)	0	6.0.11
☐	1BitSquared	KiCad (x64)	0	7.0.10
☐	247TailorSteel	Sophia	0	4.304.1.0
☐	2BrightSparks Ptd Ltd	SyncBackFree	0	11.2.33.0
☐	2BrightSparks Ptd Ltd	CMake 3.28 (x86)	0	3.28.2
☐	2BrightSparks Ptd Ltd	CMake 3.28 (x64)	0	3.28.2
☐	2BrightSparks Ptd Ltd	CMake 3.28 (ARM64)	0	3.28.2

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Reimport Applications

You can reimport applications from either the **Applications** page or the **Deployment Process Details** page.

Initiate a reimport on the Applications page

On the **Applications** page, click the **Deploy** button to the right of the application to reimport.

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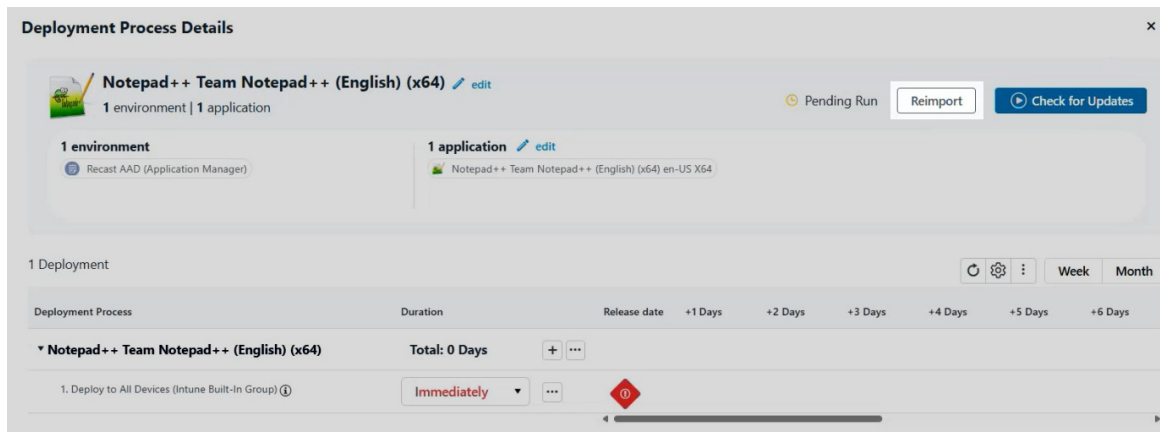
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Initiate a reimport on the Deployment Process Details page

1. On the **Deployment Process Details** page, click the **Reimport** button.

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TIP: You can also find the **Reimport Applications** option by clicking the vertical ellipsis to the right of the Settings cog.

2. In the **Reimport Application** side panel that opens, choose whether to redownload the application version from the Applications Catalog.

3. Click **Reimport Application(s)**.

Exclude Dependencies for an Application

By default, applications indicated as dependencies are automatically added to deployment processes. You also have the option to prevent dependencies from being added, which may be helpful if a specific dependency is known to cause issues when updating applications with RCT Patching. For example, see [Issues Updating Adobe Acrobat Products](#).

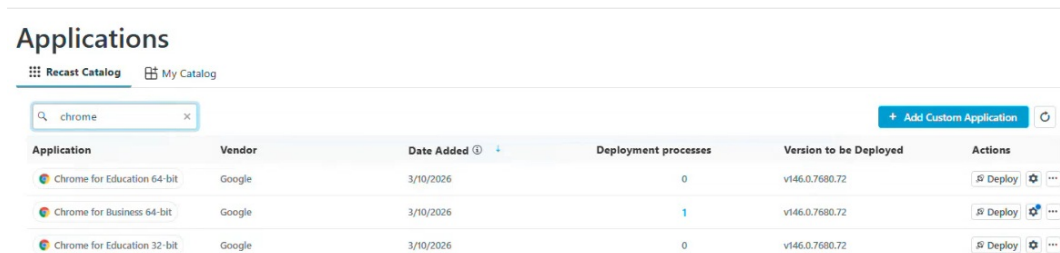
NOTE: Make sure you manage any excluded dependencies manually to ensure that applications continue to work correctly.



Recast recommends configuring dependency exclusions using application settings rather than deployment process settings.

To exclude dependencies for a specific application:

1. On the **Applications** page, click the Settings cog to the right of an application.

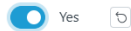


2. In the side panel, open the **Advanced** tab and scroll down to the **Dependencies** section.

3. Toggle **Exclude Dependencies** to 'Yes'.

Dependencies

Exclude Dependencies ⓘ ⚠



4. Click **Save & Close**.

Update Applications With Previous Versions

You can deploy an application to only devices that have a previous version installed by creating an application-specific collection in Configuration Manager using a query. You can then specify the application-specific collection as a target collection for a deployment process in Patching.

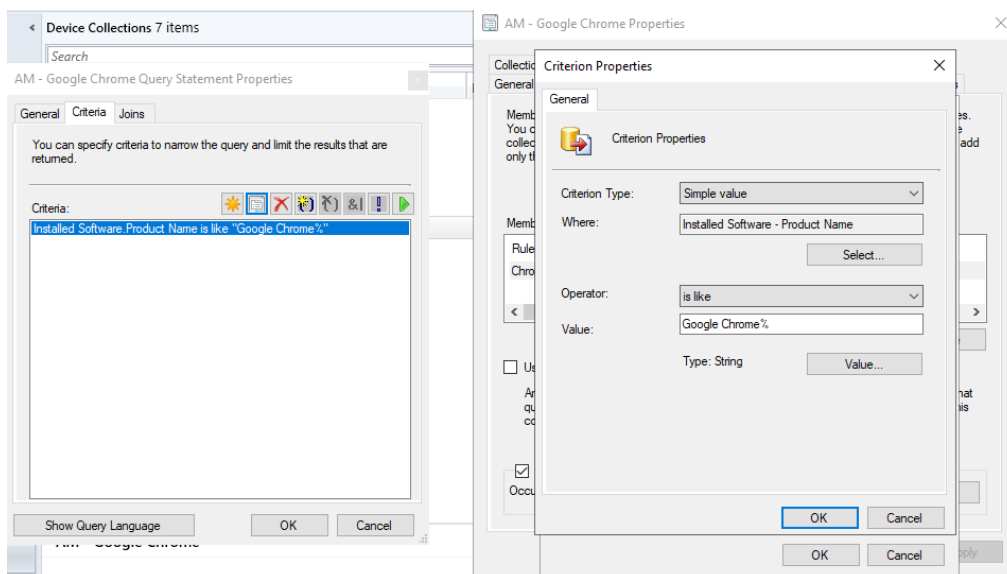
Create an Application-specific Collection

To create an application-specific collection in Configuration Manager:

1. On the Configuration Manager **Membership Rules** page, create a new device collection and add a query rule.
2. Specify a query name and click **Edit Query Statement**.
3. On the **Criteria** tab, add a new criterion with the following properties:
 - Criterion Type: **Simple value**
 - Where: **Installed Software – Product Name**
 - Operator: **is like**
 - Value: Specify the application name. You can add a wildcard character (%) at the beginning and/or at the end of the application name to find all application versions.

NOTE: You can find a list of product names in your environment by clicking the **Value** button in the Criterion Properties window. The list might not contain all products. The full list can be found on the **Count of all instances of software registered with Add or Remove Programs** report. If the application name in the RCT Patching catalog does not exactly match the name in the product list, use the name from the **Value** list or the report.

Example collection for Google Chrome:

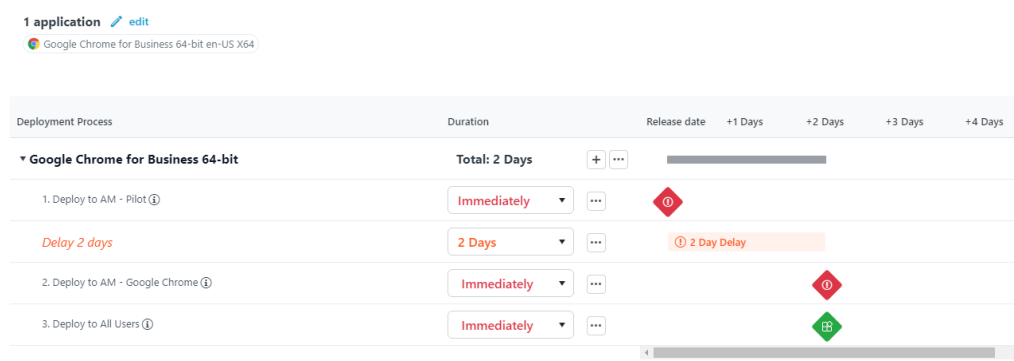


Create an Application-specific Deployment Process

To create an application-specific deployment process:

1. On the Application Manager **Deployment Processes** page, click **Add Deployment Process** or modify an existing process.
2. In the **Select Application(s)** side panel that opens, select only the application you want deploy. Click **Next**.
3. Name the deployment process and click **Next**.
4. Add the previously created collection as the target collection and configure a deployment schedule. Make sure that the deployment type is **Required**.
5. If desired, create an additional **Available** type deployment for all users/devices so that the application can be installed from the Software Center to devices without a previous version.
6. Save the deployment process and click **Run**.

Example deployment process for Google Chrome:



Manage Applications in a Deployment Process

You can manage the applications included in a deployment process straight from the Patching **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.

Deployment Processes

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Sort the Application List

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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**.

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Add an Application to a Deployment Process

To add an application to the application list:

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 from the application list:

1. In the **Select Application(s)** side panel, click the X to the right of the application to remove it.

2. Click **Save & Close**.

Remove or Delete an Application from a Deployment Process

On the Patching **Applications** page, you can remove or delete an application. When you remove an application, the deployment process will no longer install newer versions of the application. If you remove the only application included in the deployment process, the deployment process itself will be deleted. Old versions of the application will remain in Configuration Manager.

Remove an Application from a Deployment Process

To remove a Recast Catalog application or a custom application from a deployment process, click the ellipsis (...) to the right of an application and choose **Remove from deployment processes**.

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Microsoft	Microsoft Visual Studio 2022 Professional (Current)	3/26/2025	0	v17.12.32210.10	Remove from deployment processes

NOTE: You can also remove an application from the [Deployment Processes](#) page.

Delete a Custom Application

When you delete a custom application, it is removed from the Recast Management Server database and from any deployment processes. If you delete the only application included in the deployment process, the deployment process itself is deleted.

To delete a custom application, on the **My Catalog** tab, click the ellipsis (...) to the right of a custom application and choose

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Recast	Agent	2/18/2025	0	v5.9.123	Deploy ...

Remove from deployment processes

Delete application

Delete application.