Are you using Oracle JDK 17 under the No Fee Terms and Conditions?

Here is what you need to know NOW!

Is Oracle Java 17 free to use?

Yes, but only through September 2024.

Are other free distributions of Java 17 affected?

No. Distributions like the community edition of Azul Zulu Builds of JDK 17 will remain freely available under existing open-source licenses. These builds are a great choice for developers or for organizations that have invested in their own Java support organizations.

I'm using Oracle Java 17, what are my options?

There is a lot to consider if you use Oracle JDK 17 to run enterprise applications, especially if those applications are critical to your business. After September the license for Oracle JDK 17 will revert to the Oracle Technology Network License Agreement (OTNLA) and users will have the following options for their applications.

Here are your options.

Option 1

Follow the terms of OTNLA and pay for Oracle Java SE subscription.

The cost of Java SE Universal Subscription is based on the total number of employees across your organization – this includes full-time, part-time, and temporary employees, as well as those of your agents, contractors, outsourced personnel, and consultants who contribute to your internal business operations.

IN A RECENT SURVEY CONDUCTED BY AZUL, 75% OF THE COMPANIES SURVEYED COMPLETED THEIR MIGRATION FROM ORACLE TO OPENJDK IN LESS THAN 12 MONTHS.

Option 2

Move to the next Long Term Support Release (LTS) JDK 21.

However, you will only have a two-year window before you will need to move to JDK 25 if remaining on a free version is important to you (or if remaining on a free version is your preferred choice) to avoid potential implications related to JDK 21 reverting to OTNLA This requires upgrading to each successive LTS release every two years.

Also, depending on the age and complexity of your applications there is no guarantee that your application will run as expected on JDK 21.

53% OF RESPONDENTS WE RECENTLY SURVEYED MIGRATED OFF ORACLE JAVA DUE TO COST.

Option 3

Explore alternatives like Azul, which offers a drop-in replacement for the Oracle JDK 17.

Like Oracle Java SE, Azul Platform Core offers 365x24x7 support from Java experts along with both full Patch Set Updates and Critical Patch Updates on a strict SLA.

86% OF RESPONDENTS WE RECENTLY SURVEYED ARE MOVING ALL OR PART OF THEIR JAVA APPLICATIONS OFF ORACLE.

About Azul

Headquartered in Sunnyvale, California, Azul provides the Java platform for the modern cloud enterprise. Azul is the only company 100 percent focused on Java. Millions of Java developers, hundreds of millions of devices, and the world's most highly regarded business trust Azul to power their applications with exceptional capabilities, performance, security, value, and success. Azul customers include 36 percent of the Fortune 100, 50 percent of the Forbes Top-Ten World's Most Valuable Brands, all ten of the world's top-ten financial trading companies, and leading brands like Avaya, Bazaarvoice, BMW, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Telekom, LG, Mastercard, Mizuho, Priceline, Salesforce, Software AG, and Workday.

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