

Windows Server 2025 Licensing Guide & Price in India

Pricing and Licensing for Windows Server 2025 Standard

Edition	Ideal Scenario	Licensing Type	CAL Add-on	Price (Excl. GST)	Purchase Options
Standard	Low-density environments	16 Core (Perpetual Volume License)	Yes	₹ 87000	Buy Now
Datacenter	Full datacenter environments	16 Core (Perpetual Volume License)	Yes	₹ 525000	Buy Now
User CAL	Low-density environments	Per Year	Yes	₹ 1190 /year	Buy Now
Device CAL	Low-density environments	Per Year	Yes	₹ 1020 /year	Buy Now
RDS User CAL	Low-density environments	Per Year	Yes	₹ 7630 /year	Buy Now

Note: Pricing is for 16 core licenses excl. GST (18%). Processing time is min 24hrs during working days. Download Media CD (ISO) free from Microsoft direct.

Get add-ons: CALs, RDS CALs as add-on. Ask for highly expert level technical support, available remote only from SNIFFTONT.

Downgrade rights: Yes, You have downgrade rights on Windows Server 2025 Standard license to Windows Server 2022 Standard or Windows Server 2019 Standard.

Windows Server 2025 Datacenter: For full Datacenter operations and private Cloud setup, Buy Windows Server 2025 Datacenter.

Why Should You Buy Windows Server 2025 Standard?

1. Unmatched Performance and Speed

Windows Server 2025 Standard is designed to deliver blazing-fast performance, even under heavy workloads. With support for the latest hardware, including multi-core processors and high-speed storage, your applications, websites, and databases will run smoother and faster than ever before.

2. Advanced Security Features

Protect your business from cyber threats with **Windows Server 2025 Standard's** advanced security features, including:

- **Shielded Virtual Machines:** Protect your VMs from unauthorized access.
- **Windows Defender ATP:** Detect and respond to threats in real-time.
- **Secure Boot:** Prevent malware from loading during startup.

3. Scalability for Growing Businesses

Whether you're running a small business or a large enterprise, **Windows Server 2025 Standard** scales to meet your needs. With support for up to 64 cores and 24 TB of RAM, you can handle even the most demanding workloads.

4. Cost-Effective Licensing

The **Windows Server 2025 Standard** license is a cost-effective solution for businesses that need to run up to two virtual machines (VMs) on a single server. This makes it ideal for low-density environments and small to medium-sized businesses.

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1. Windows Server 2025 Standard Licensing Cheatsheet

- **Licensing Model:** Core-based licensing, requiring licenses for all physical cores in the server (minimum 16 cores per server).
- **Virtualization Rights:** Allows up to two virtual machines (VMs) or two Hyper-V containers on a fully licensed server.
- **Pricing:** Approximately ₹87,000 for a 16-core license (Excl. 18% GST in India).
- **License Duration:** Includes 10 years of assurance (support and updates).
- **Client Access Licenses (CALs):** Required for users or devices accessing the server (sold separately).
- **Free Download:** Installation media available for free from Microsoft; license key required for activation.
- **Processing Time:** Minimum 24 hours for delivery during working days.
- **Add-Ons:** Optional CALs and Remote Desktop Services (RDS) CALs available for additional functionality.
- **Ideal Use Case:** Suitable for low-density environments, such as small to medium-sized businesses.

2. How to Identify & Validate That Licensed Windows Server 2025 Standard Is Complete and Legal

- **Purchase from Authorized Resellers:** Buy from reputable vendors like Sniffon Technologies (P) Ltd. or other Microsoft-authorized partners to ensure legitimacy.
- **Verify License Key:** Ensure the product key is a 25-character code (e.g., XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX) provided upon purchase.

- **Check Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center (VLSC):** For volume licenses, log into the VLSC to confirm the license is registered under your account.
- **Activation Confirmation:** Activate the server via the internet or phone and verify successful activation in the server's System settings.
- **Certificate of Authenticity (COA):** Look for a COA or digital license confirmation from the seller, indicating genuine Microsoft licensing.
- **Cross-Check SKU/MPN:** Match the SKU (e.g., DG7GMGF0PWHC:0003) and MPN (e.g., DG7GMGF0PWHC) with official Microsoft documentation.
- **Avoid Suspicious Deals:** Be cautious of unusually low prices or unofficial sources, which may indicate pirated or incomplete licenses.
- **Microsoft Support Verification:** Contact Microsoft support with the product key to confirm its validity if in doubt.

3. What Other Licenses You May Need Along with Windows Server 2025 Standard License

- **Client Access Licenses (CALs):** Required for each user or device accessing the server for basic services like file sharing or printing.
- **Remote Desktop Services (RDS) CALs:** Needed if users or devices access the server via Remote Desktop Services for remote desktop or application hosting.
- **Windows Server CALs for Additional Features:** Specialized CALs (e.g., Enterprise CALs) may be required for advanced features like Active Directory Rights Management Services.
- **SQL Server Licenses:** If running Microsoft SQL Server on Windows Server 2025, a separate SQL Server license is required (core-based or server + CAL).
- **Exchange Server Licenses:** For email and collaboration services, a separate Exchange Server license is needed if hosted on the server.
- **Third-Party Software Licenses:** Depending on applications (e.g., backup or antivirus software), additional licenses may be required.
- **Microsoft 365 Licenses:** For integration with Microsoft 365 services, additional user or device-based licenses may be necessary.

4. Who and Why You Might Need CALs and RDS CALs

Client Access Licenses (CALs)

- **Who Needs Them:** Any user or device accessing Windows Server 2025 for basic services like file storage, printing, or Active Directory authentication.
- **Why They Are Needed:** CALs are required by Microsoft's licensing model to ensure legal access to server resources for each user or device.
- **Types:** User CALs (one per user, ideal for employees with multiple devices) or Device CALs (one per device, ideal for shared devices like kiosks).
- **Use Case:** Essential for businesses with multiple users or devices accessing server resources, ensuring compliance with Microsoft's licensing terms.

Remote Desktop Services (RDS) CALs

- **Who Needs Them:** Users or devices accessing the server via Remote Desktop Services to run applications or desktops remotely.
- **Why They Are Needed:** RDS CALs are required for any remote desktop or application hosting, in addition to standard CALs, to comply with Microsoft's licensing.
- **Types:** User RDS CALs (per user) or Device RDS CALs (per device), depending on the access model.
- **Use Case:** Ideal for businesses enabling remote work, virtual desktop infrastructure (VDI), or centralized application deployment.

5. If You Are Using It as a Web Server, Do You Still Need CALs or RDS CALs?

CALs for Web Server Use

- **Not Required for Public Web Access:** If Windows Server 2025 Standard is used as a web server hosting public-facing websites (e.g., via IIS), CALs are not required for anonymous users accessing the website over the internet.
- **Required for Authenticated Access:** If the web server requires user or device authentication (e.g., for internal users or restricted web apps), standard CALs are needed for each user or device accessing the server.
- **Example:** A public e-commerce site does not need CALs, but an intranet portal requiring employee login does.

RDS CALs for Web Server Use

- **Not Required for Web Server Functions:** RDS CALs are not needed if the server is only hosting web content via HTTP/HTTPS and not providing remote desktop or

application services.

- **Required for Remote Desktop Access:** If administrators or users access the server's desktop or applications remotely via Remote Desktop Services, RDS CALs are required in addition to standard CALs.
- **Example:** If you use Remote Desktop to manage the web server, RDS CALs are needed for those remote sessions.

Key Consideration: For web server scenarios, carefully assess whether your setup involves authenticated access or remote desktop usage to determine the need for CALs or RDS CALs. Purely public-facing web servers typically require only the Windows Server 2025 Standard license.

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Don't miss out on the opportunity to upgrade your business infrastructure. Buy **Windows Server 2025 Standard** today and enjoy unmatched performance, security, and scalability.

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