# Updating or upgrading Teamwork Server

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## Prerequisites

- All projects must be committed.
- The projects' directory back up is created.

## Automatic update

1. Stop Teamwork Server.
2. Start Teamwork Server. The **Teamwork Server** dialog appears.
3. Click the **Check for Updates** button. The **Update Information** dialog appears.
4. Do one of the following:
   - Click **Update to New Version**, to apply the latest released product version.

     If you are using the commercial activated license, it is recommended to deactivate it first. After the update is complete, activate the new license.
   - Click **Apply Patch**, to apply the latest released service pack.

   If the new version or service pack uses the newer Java version, the message appears to download the required Java version. Click **Yes**.

   For more information about the recommended Java version, see Java version support.
5. If you are updating to the new version, in the message informing that the deactivation is successful, click **OK**. Then start Teamwork Server.

## Manual update

1. Stop Teamwork Server.
2. Deactivate the current license for the Teamwork Server.
3. Remove Teamwork Server from services, if it was added.
4. Run the installation file.

   - If you need to restore the data, install a new Teamwork Server version into the new location.
   - Under **Choose Java Virtual Machine**, select **Use the Java VM installed with this application**.
5. Start the newly installed Teamwork Server. The **Import Configuration** dialog opens.
6. In the **Teamwork Server License Manager** dialog, enter the license key.
7. Remove the old Teamwork Server version.

### Upgrading Teamwork Server manually without GUI

1. Stop Teamwork Server.
2. Deactivate the current license for the Teamwork Server.
3. For the Windows operating system, remove the Teamwork Server NT service, if it was added. Skip this step for other operating systems.
4. Extract the *MD_UML_<version number>_teamwork_server_no_installs.zip.*
5. Start the new Teamwork Server without GUI.

**Related pages**

- Move your server projects to the new location
- Teamwork Server installation
- Activating the Teamwork Server commercial license
- Adding the license to Teamwork Server
- Teamwork Server installation and licensing