

4 ways to manage a hybrid cloud environment with Red Hat Satellite

Relying on manual processes to manage Red Hat® Enterprise Linux® across an expanding hybrid cloud environment can create operational bottlenecks and complicate compliance. Red Hat Satellite helps IT teams manage Red Hat Enterprise Linux to ensure operational stability, security posture, and efficiency throughout the entire lifecycle. Explore this checklist to identify potential management gaps and discover how Red Hat Satellite can help simplify enterprise operations management at scale.

1 Provision with confidence and speed

Manual provisioning is often a bottleneck, involving numerous handoffs and wait time before a system is ready.

Satellite eliminates these hurdles by allowing organizations to deploy consistent, security-focused, and production-ready environments in minutes. As organizational use scales, Satellite capsule servers distribute the heavy lifting closer to managed systems, ensuring high performance and a reliable security posture (even in geographically dispersed or disconnected locations). Benefits include:

- ▶ **Standardized builds.** Use compute profiles to define the central processing unit (CPU), random-access memory (RAM), and storage once and apply them everywhere, ensuring virtual machines (VMs) are consistent with physical builds.
- ▶ **Zero-touch readiness.** Automatically detect new hardware the moment it hits the network, reducing the time from unboxing to production.
- ▶ **Unified control.** Eliminate switching between disparate tools and take steps to simplify lifecycle management, including Domain Name System (DNS) and Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP), from a single dashboard.

2 Control content and patching pipeline

Organizations need to curate and control what enters their hybrid cloud environment. Satellite acts as a private, security-focused content distribution network. Identify affected systems, triage risk, and deploy the necessary security patch without affecting the rest of the validated system. This ensures the software installed is verified, untampered, and ready for business. Consider simplifying critical, content-controlled processes, such as:

- ▶ **Curated governance.** Choose exactly which Red Hat and non-Red Hat repositories make it into the internal build environment.
- ▶ **Predictable lifecycles.** Move software through development, quality assurance, and production on schedule, ensuring updates are validated before affecting vital business systems.
- ▶ **Trusted provenance.** Each piece of synchronized software undergoes digital signature verification to protect the company's hybrid cloud environment from malicious injections.

3 Keep proactive security processes

Security is a continuous practice, not a static feature.

Stop reacting to security alerts and start managing risk strategically. Satellite helps organizations combat configuration drift and manual audit reporting by automating the enforcement of security policies and prioritizing appropriate responses to vulnerabilities, helping maintain a continuous state of compliance across open hybrid cloud environments.

Security processes that can benefit from automation include:

- ▶ **Automated compliance.** Increase systems' security to specific benchmarks, such as continuous integration (CI), security technical implementation guide (STIG), or Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS), remediating drift automatically before it becomes a vulnerability.
- ▶ **Risk prioritization.** Cut through the noise caused by thousands of Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVEs) to identify and fix the specific vulnerabilities that actually affect the organization's infrastructure.
- ▶ **Digital sovereignty.** Keep IT management telemetry and data within the company's protected perimeter, supporting strict regional residency requirements.

Enroll in the Red Hat Satellite technical overview

Interested in learning how to automate provisioning, patching, and compliance across your company's infrastructure?

Learn to establish a standardized, security-focused environment through on-demand videos covering content management and remote execution.

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4 Scale in-house Linux management expertise

Do not let a skills gap or infrastructure sprawl slow down innovation. Satellite integrates more than 30 years of Red Hat operational intelligence directly into the environment through advanced analytics and optional AI-powered insights that help IT teams identify issues sooner and solve complex problems with greater confidence.

- ▶ **Proactive detection** can rely on Red Hat Lightspeed (formerly Red Hat Insights) to identify performance bottlenecks and misconfigurations on site before they lead to costly downtime, without connecting to the internet.
- ▶ **Expert triaging** uses Red Hat's extensive backport knowledge to determine the true vulnerability state of the company's Red Hat Enterprise Linux fleet.
- ▶ **Close skills gaps** by empowering junior administrators to solve complex lifecycle challenges using natural language queries and a knowledge portal of Red Hat expertise.

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Ready to streamline your organization's infrastructure management?

Participate in this interactive lab to learn how to synchronize content, provision hosts, and automate patching across the existing Red Hat Enterprise Linux environment with Red Hat Satellite.

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