

# Top Reasons to Use Hybrid Workspaces

Hybrid Workspaces combines application packaging with application streaming so users can run any application with access to their storage on any device, anywhere, without the need to have the application installed.

**1. Integrate your applications into the user's workflow.** Let's face it, if you want your users to be productive, you need to adapt to the way they work. With Hybrid Workspaces, you can deliver applications in a way that feels natural to your users. Use your existing software deployment tools to put applications where they expect them, deliver them through a web portal so they can be accessed from anywhere, integrate them into your favorite learning management system or share them via hyperlinks. Hybrid Workspaces makes it easy to adapt application delivery to the way your users work.

**2. Deliver applications to any device, anywhere, at any time.** In today's work from anywhere world, it is critical that users can access their applications and data, in a secure way, whether they are in the office, at home on their own PC, using a mobile device, or even on a simple web kiosk device. The combination of Hybrid Workspaces packaging and Application Streaming will allow you to work from anywhere, even if the application is not installed locally.

**3. Ensure users can securely access their data from the application.** Without access to data, most applications are useless. Hybrid Workspaces includes features that help you deliver the data securely. Use in-built storage controls to provide seamless access to corporate cloud storage via the T:drive and access to network storage shares when streaming or running the virtual application locally. This also prevents opening or saving data from local drives when streaming. Their corporate files can also be browsed in the Hybrid Workspaces portal.

**4. Improve user satisfaction with integrated profile management.** As users move from one place to another and one device to another there may be better ways to access the application. For instance, when in the office on a corporate PC, it is typically better to take advantage of the computer resources to run the application. However, when the same user goes home and is using their favorite Bring your own Device (BYOD) you may want to stream the app since you have no control of the local PC or device. It's critical that as the user moves from one place to the next that the application settings and configuration follow them. With the Session Hand-off feature, the application can remain running while the user reconnects at the next location. Hybrid Workspaces features in-built application profile management that synchronizes application configuration and lets it follow the user for improved user satisfaction and higher effectiveness.

**Allow your users to access their applications and data from anywhere on:**

- Corporate-owned devices
- Personal-owned devices
- Windows OS devices
- Mac OS devices
- iOS devices
- Android devices
- Any device with an HTML5 browser

- 5. Simplify access to internal resources.** When users are working from anywhere it can get confusing for them to access their resources. With the built-in ability to have the Hybrid Workspaces Server act as a secure tunnel, you can reduce the complexity of accessing corporate network resources without introducing security concerns. In many cases, this eliminates the need for users to start a VPN session before they can be productive.
- 6. Track, expire and limit application access.** When you use Hybrid Workspaces to deliver applications you can track where the applications are being executed and by whom. Hybrid workspaces also enforces basic licensing, such as how many users or devices can be running or can have access to the application, and you can expire applications to provide applications for only a limited amount of time.
- 7. Require enhanced authentication.** Because applications are often sensitive and provide access to sensitive data, you may want to require enhanced, multi-factor authentication to access the applications you make available. With the included OpenText Advanced Authentication Limited Edition,, you can implement multifactor authentication right out of the box, or you can integrate with Azure AD, ADF, the full version of Advanced Authentication, or other SAML v2 IDPs to ensure secure authentication.
- 8. Simplify the software packaging process.** Software packaging is now easier than ever. With a library of pre-containerized applications and new installation monitoring capabilities, you can quickly build and customize applications. Easily mix and match components such as browser versions and plugins, then add in your own customization to deliver exactly the experience your users need. Creating the software packaging can be done the traditional way or via “monitoring” while the application goes through its installation process, with additional controls to customize the capture. For advanced users, you can even automate the packaging process so that as new application versions are released, they are automatically converted to containers.
- 9. Extend the life of your applications.** Browsers and client operating systems are changing faster than ever, and often the data center and enterprise applications struggle to keep up. If you’ve got applications that require older browsers, unsupported plugins like Java or Flash, or even applications that don’t seem to play nice on Windows 10 then Hybrid Workspaces might be able to help you extend the life of those applications, reduce the need for expensive retraining and data center upgrades, and keep users productive and with the ability to restrict network access of those applications, you can protect the application from known exploits.
- 10. Eliminate application conflicts.** Because users are no longer using just the devices under corporate control, they are more likely than ever to run into application conflicts. Whether it’s a student with a different version of Office than the one they are learning, applications that require different applications of the same browser, or conflicting versions of line of business applications, Hybrid Workspaces creates isolated application environments for each application that allow you to run both applications, usually at the same time, letting the user get what they need to be done, when they want.

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