

# OVERVIEW OF WINDOWS AUTOPILOT

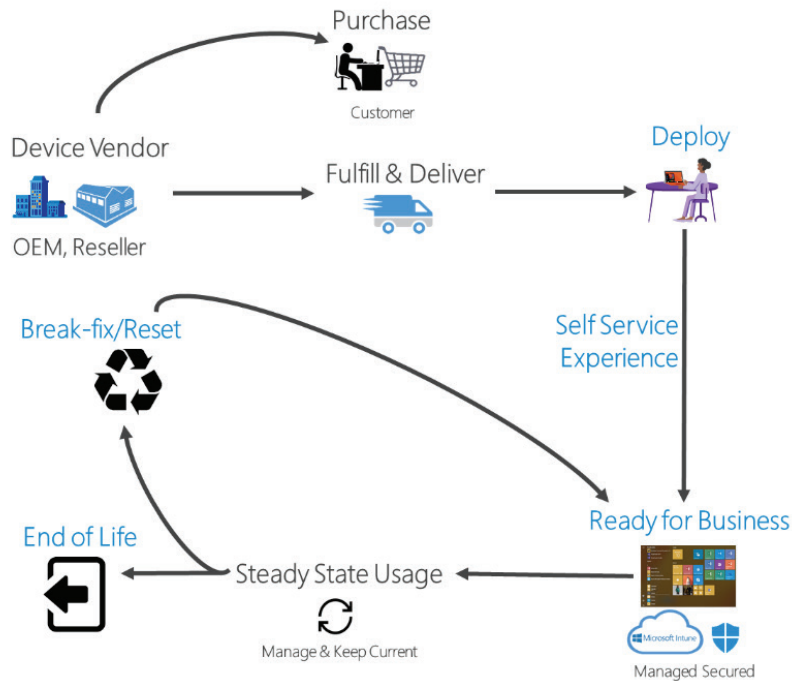
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## AUTOPILOT FOR WINDOWS 10 DEVICES

Windows Autopilot is a collection of technologies used to set up and pre-configure new devices, getting them ready for productive use. This solution enables an IT department to achieve the above with little to no infrastructure to manage, with a process that's easy and simple.

Windows Autopilot is designed to simplify all parts of the lifecycle of Windows devices, for both IT and end users, from initial deployment through the eventual end of life. Leveraging cloud-based services, it can reduce the overall costs for deploying, managing, and retiring devices by reducing the amount of time that IT needs to spend on these processes and the amount of infrastructure that they need to maintain, while ensuring ease of use for all types of end users. See the following diagram:



When initially deploying new Windows devices, Windows Autopilot leverages the OEM optimized version of Windows 10 that is preinstalled on the device, saving organizations the effort of having to maintain custom images and drivers for every model of device being used. Instead of re-imaging the device, your existing Windows 10 installation can be transformed into a “business-ready” state, applying settings and policies and installing apps.

Once deployed, Windows 10 devices can be managed by tools such as Microsoft Intune, Windows Update for Business, Microsoft Endpoint Configuration Manager, and other similar tools. Windows Autopilot can also be used to re-purpose a device by leveraging Windows Autopilot Reset to quickly prepare a device for a new user, or in break/fix scenarios to enable a device to quickly be brought back to a business-ready state.

Windows Autopilot enables you to:

- Automatically join devices to Azure Active Directory (Azure AD) or Active Directory (via Hybrid Azure AD Join)
- Auto-enroll devices into MDM services, such as Microsoft Intune (Requires an Azure AD Premium subscription for configuration)
- Restrict the Administrator account creation
- Create and auto-assign devices to configuration groups based on a device's profile
- Customize OOB content specific to the organization



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