BigFix Inventory Catalog 20241125 Release Notes

BigFix Inventory server version 11.0.0.0 is required to update the software catalog.

See server release notes for details and upgrade procedure: https://support.bigfix.com/bfi/BigFix-Inventory-11.0.0.0-ReleaseNotes.pdf

This table provides information about the BigFix Inventory software catalog update 20241125. The update is cumulative and contains changes that were provided in the previous updates.

Name of the component	Version	Updated in this Release
BigFix Inventory Discovery Site	9	Yes
BigFix Inventory Server Software Catalog	20241125	Yes
BigFix Inventory Scanner Software Catalog - Major	2638921	Yes

If *BigFix Inventory Discovery* site is not visible
1. Check for License Update via BigFix License Overview (refresh if needed)
   License Overview dashboard (hcltechsw.com)
2. Enable new sites: *BigFix Inventory* and *BigFix Inventory Discovery*.
   Selecting Sites (hcltechsw.com)

IMPORTANT: Changes related to the catalog update process

Starting from 20240612 release, Catalog updates are available from a new BigFix Inventory Discovery site, and BigFix Inventory server version 11.x is required for all subsequent catalog releases.

Upgrading the BigFix Inventory server to version 11 is required to activate the catalog import option. Previous versions of BigFix Inventory server will ignore new catalogs during import time.

Contact support if specific discovery gaps are noticed in reports before and after catalog updates.

Software Catalog

This release includes Software Catalog with capability to discover 50+ new software versions including but not limited to the following software manufacturers like Microsoft.

New template signatures included in this release:
Template signature is a method of discovery where the version of a component is detected automatically, and a specific version is dynamically added to the catalog. Such template signatures include all component versions. They are used when the software is frequently updated, and the deployment method has not changed. One template covers 10+ software versions.

Publisher Name	Component Name	Platform
Microsoft	Microsoft Deployment Toolkit	WINDOWS
Microsoft	Microsoft Silverlight	WINDOWS
Microsoft	Remote Desktop Connection Manager	WINDOWS

Changes made to the software component definition in catalog (e.g., modification of component name, version, or publisher) may cause creation of new definition of the component and removal of previous one. This leads to loss of Tagging, Classification and custom EOS information.

Additionally, when discovery is based on a signature evaluated on an endpoint, previous discovery results temporarily disappear until the next software scan and related data import. New catalog must be propagated to the endpoints before the scan execution.

Updated discovery mechanism for specific software with this behavior includes specific notes (for details and impacted software title refer to the list of enhancements, ideas implemented and list of defects).

Note: this information relates only to entries enlisted with the icon:

For more information, refer to:

Catalog Change List:
https://software.bigfix.com/download/tema/catalog/changelist/BFI_catalog_changelist_2024_11.pdf

Modified content
The following fixlets were updated and should be run to install the latest versions of the specific components:

● Server Software Catalog Update – version 20241125, 25/11/2024

Enhancements and important changes
The following table lists enhancements and changes that are introduced in this update.

Abstract Story	Description	Available since
Added discovery for Microsoft Deployment Toolkit	A new template signature is added for Microsoft Deployment Toolkit. Discovery is added for WINDOWS platform	20241125
Added discovery for Microsoft Silverlight	A new template signature is added for Microsoft Silverlight. Discovery is added for WINDOWS platform	20241125
Added discovery for Remote Desktop Connection Manager	A new template signature is added for Remote Desktop Connection Manager. Discovery is added for WINDOWS platform	20241125

End of Support dates

The following table lists changes that are introduced in this update related to End of support dates.

Abstract	Description	Source	Available since
Updated End of Support information for BMC software	End of support dates are updated for 2 BMC software components	BMC official website	20241125
Added End of Support information for BMC software	End of Support dates are newly added for 11 BMC Software components	BMC official website	20241125
Added End of Support information for Broadcom software	End of support dates are added for 44 Broadcom software components	Broadcom official website	20241125
Added End of Support information for Adobe software	End of support dates are added for 46 Adobe software components	Adobe official website	20241125
Updated End of Support information for Adobe software	End of Support dates are updated for 2 Adobe software components	Adobe official website	20241125
Added End of Support information for SAP Software	End of Support dates are newly added for 4 SAP Software components	SAP official website	20241125
Updated End of Support information for SAP software	End of Support dates are updated for 1 SAP Software component.	SAP official website	20241125

Defect fixes

For the list of known defects please refer to [HCL Knowledge Base.](#)

The following table lists BigFix Inventory **Catalog** APARs and other defects that are fixed in this update.

ID	Symptoms	Behavior after you install the update	Available since
[KB0116915](#)	False positive discovery for Acronis Backup & Recovery	Signature for Acronis Backup & Recovery Management Console version 10.0 is	20241125

	management Console for version 10.0	modified to avoid false discovery and to provide accurate discovery	
KB0117161	False discovery for Microsoft System Center Client	Signature for Microsoft System Center Client for version 2012.0 has been deleted to avoid false discovery.	20241125
KB0116542	Incorrect product version for components such as MATLAB and Milestone Smart Client	The component version along with the corresponding signatures are updated to reflect the correct version. New signatures are also added for MATLAB and Milestone Smart Client to cover the missing versions. Discovery is added for WINDOWS platform.	20241125

Documentation

For more information about how to install, maintain, and use this application refer to BigFix Inventory user documentation:

https://help.hcl-software.com/bigfix/11.0/inventory/welcome/BigFix_Inventory_welcome.html