BigFix Inventory Catalog 20250615 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 20250615. 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	21	Yes
BigFix Inventory Server Software Catalog	20250615	Yes
BigFix Inventory Scanner Software Catalog - Major	2638946	Yes

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

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.

License Mapping & Software Categorization through Artificial Intelligence

Now the catalog includes Software product license types & Software component categories details. This data is powered by Artificial Intelligence (AI) and verified in-house for selected vendors to provide accuracy close to 90%.

The BigFix Inventory v11.0.2.0 reports are enhanced with this information to help with license compliance and optimization scenarios.

For more information, refer to user documentation:

https://help.hcl-software.com/bigfix/11.0/inventory/Inventory/Discovery/license_types_software_category.html

and BigFix Inventory 11.0.2.0 release notes:
https://support.bigfix.com/bfi/BigFix-Inventory-11.0.2.0-ReleaseNotes.pdf

Software Catalog

This release includes Software Catalog with capability to discover 60+ new software versions including but not limited to the following software manufacturers like Alludo, BMC Software, Google & 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	Azure Connected Machine Agent	WINDOWS & UNIX
Alludo	WinZip	WINDOWS
Microsoft	Microsoft .NET Compact Framework	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_2025_06.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 20250615, 15/06/2025

Enhancements and important changes

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

Abstract Story	Description	Available since
Added software License type information	Added software License type data for 128 software products.	20250615
Added software Categories information	Added software Categories data for 128 software components.	20250615
Added discovery for Microsoft System Center Operations Manager Console	Added discovery for Microsoft System Center Operations Manager Console for version 2025.0. Discovery is added for WINDOWS platform.	20250615
Added discovery for Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio	Added discovery for Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio for version 21. Discovery is added for both WINDOWS & UNIX platforms.	20250615
Added discovery for Azure Connected Machine Agent	Added a new template based signature for Azure Connected Machine Agent. Discovery is added for both WINDOWS & UNIX platforms.	20250615
Added discovery for Track-It!	Added discovery for Track-It! for version 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024. Discovery is added for the WINDOWS platform.	20250615
Updated the existing signature for Google Chrome	Updated the existing signature for Google Chrome to enable accurate usage detection. *Old discovery records will be closed, and new ones will be opened.*	20250615
Added template signatures for WinZip	Added two new template signatures for WinZip to detect all versions of the component ensuring accurate discovery and improved usage reporting.	20250615
Updated the existing signatures for WinZip	Updated the existing signatures for WinZip to ensure proper discovery and improved usage reporting. *Old discovery records will be closed, and new ones will be opened.*	20250615
Added discovery for Microsoft .NET Compact framework	Added a new template based signature for Microsoft .NET Compact framework. Existing signatures were deleted as template signatures will cover all the versions.	20250615

	✏️ *Signature removal impacts only for catalog versions prior to 10.0.16.0; later versions are unaffected.*	
Deleted a few existing signatures for Microsoft Publisher.	Deleted the existing signatures for the following Microsoft components to avoid false discoveries, as these components are outdated and have been out of support for an extended period ● Breakpoint Forcer ● Cabinet Tool ● Compatibility Pack for the 2007 Office system ● Fault Tolerant Disk Mounter ● Free Working Set Tool ● Group Policy Monitor ● Group Policy Objects ● Group Policy Registry Viewer ● HTML Help Image Editor ● Initialization Files Manipulation Tool ✏️ *Signature removal impacts only for catalog versions prior to 10.0.16.0; later versions are unaffected.*	20250615

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
Added End of Support information for Adobe components	End of Support dates are newly added for 4 Adobe components	Adobe official website	20250615
Updated End of Support information for Adobe components	End of Support dates are updated for 3 Adobe components	Adobe official website	20250615

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