Installing the Precise for vCenter Server

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Pre-installation tasks

Most of the screens for this installation require you to input details regarding your information systems. Before performing this installation, compile a list of all required user inputs.

Before installing a vCenter Server instance, verify that you have performed the following tasks:

- Use the Precise Framework Installer to install framework components
- Collect the user name and password for accessing the vCenter Server
- · Prepare the certificate and client certificate private key file
- Close the Services window in the Control Panel if you are installing on a Windows server.

Installing Precise for vCenter Server

This section describes the procedures that are needed to install Precise for vCenter Server. You have the option of adding a new instance. For information on editing or removing an existing instance, see Editing or removing Tier instances or clusters on page 200.

Adding Precise for vCenter Server

On the AdminPoint Instances screen, you can add a new instance.



Before adding an instance, create a list of all required inputs based on the screen information below.

- 1. To add a Tier instance
- 2. Click the Setup tab.
- 3. From the drop-down menu, select Instances & Clusters.
- 4. Click the All instances tree item
- 5. At the bottom of the Display Instances & Clusters screen, click Add Instance.
- 6. Select the vCenter Server technology from the list.
- 7. Select the default application from the list.
- 8. Select a Tier from the list.
- 9. Click OK to view the next screen.



Always refresh AdminPoint after adding an instance.

Defining the vCenter Server property settings

To define the vCenter Server property settings

- 1. From the "Server Name" drop-down menu, select the server on which the vCenter Server Collector will be located.
- 2. Click Add to enter the name of a server not on the list. For more information, see Adding a new server.
- 3. From the "Instance Server" drop-down menu, select the server running the vCenter Server.
- 4. In the "Port" text box, enter the Port of the vCenter Server instance.
- 5. In the "Login" text box, enter the name of the user who has permissions for the vCenter server. You can either use an existing user with administrator privileges or have your vCenter Server administrator create a special client for Precise.
- 6. In the "Password" text box, enter the password.
- 7. When you want to define a connection certificate:
 - a. Mark the "Use SSL" check box.
 - b. Mark the "Use certification" check box.
- 8. Click Next.

About the AdminPoint Tier installation preview screen

The preview screen signifies that the AdminPoint Tier installer has gathered enough information to begin the installation phase.

The preview screen displays the following details before installation begins:

- Server name or IP address
- The name of the monitored server
- · What actions will be performed in their respective order

- Installation folder (location)
- Required disk space
- Currently available disk space

At this screen, you can still change any of the settings displayed. Click **Back** to change any of the displayed settings. Click **Next** to continue installation. Click **Cancel** to stop the installation process.

About the AdminPoint Tier installation progress screen

This screen appears when the AdminPoint Tier installer is actually performing installation. Installation may take several minutes.

The progress screen visually displays the progress of actual installation on selected servers.

About the AdminPoint Tier installation complete screen

This screen appears when the AdminPoint Tier Installer has completed installation of all Tier instances.

If there are no action items, click **Finish** (it will be the only option available) to complete the instance installation. If there are action items, click **Next** (it will be the only option available).

About the AdminPoint Tier Action Items screen

After a Tier instance is installed, you must perform post-installation tasks as may be required. Only after completing any post-installation tasks required can you start using the Tier instances you have just installed.

Perform any tasks displayed on this screen. Click **Execute** for Precise to perform the action items. Click **Mark as done** if you have performed the action items yourself.

Post-installation action items

When the vCenter Server is installed, post-installation tasks may be required. Follow any instructions that might appear on the Action Items screen.