

# Brocade vADC Updated Feature Tiers Frequently Asked Questions

## Introduction

Starting in November 2016, the Brocade<sup>®</sup> vADC feature tiers and bandwidth options will be updated to make it easier for customers to select the platform that suits their business needs. With these simplified feature tiers, a full-featured ADC solution is available, as well as a new “Enterprise Edition” that includes premium Layer 7 services such as Web Content Optimization (WCO) and Web Application Firewall (WAF). A complete set of new updated feature tiers and licensed throughputs (SKUs) will be available as the primary way to acquire Brocade vADC products moving forward.

## General Questions and Answers

### Q. What are my options for purchasing Brocade vADC?

**A.** Brocade vADC will be available in two editions that are common to both fixed-sized licenses using the Brocade Virtual Traffic Manager (vTM) and to capacity-based licensing using the Brocade Services Director:

- **Advanced Edition:** Includes the most common LB capabilities, including SSL/TLS offload, session persistence, service-level monitoring, simple TrafficScript Rule Builder, support for IPv6 and HTTP/2, and capabilities such as Global Load Balancing, Route Health Injection, and customization using Brocade’s powerful TrafficScript scripting language and Java Extensions
- **Enterprise Edition:** Adds premium Layer 7 services such as Web Content Optimization (WCO), Web Application Firewall (WAF), and FIPS compliance.

The lower bandwidth tiers will now benefit from increased throughput, as the value of the entry-level packages are increased. To view the new bandwidth and available options, see the table at the end of this document.

### Q. What is included in the New “Enterprise” Edition?

**A.** The new Enterprise Edition of Brocade vADC now includes premium capabilities that were previously only available as optional add-ons, such as WAF, WCO, and FIPS options. Customers no longer need a separate SKU for these options, as they will all be included in the Enterprise Edition.

An additional benefit is that the Web Accelerator feature is not capped in the new Enterprise Edition. Until now, the Web Accelerator add-on (formerly known as Aptimizer) was capped to a set number of page loads per day (for example, 250,000 or 500,000 pages per day). The Web Accelerator page count will not be capped in the Enterprise Edition, which may be a significant advantage for some customers.

Existing customers may also wish to use this opportunity to upgrade their Brocade vADC deployments to a flexible capacity-based licensing model with Brocade Services Director. These new feature tiers will also be made available through the Brocade CSP program at a later date.

**Q. When can I order the new SKUs?**

**A.** The new SKUs will be available from November 18, 2016. These SKUs will be the primary way to acquire Brocade vADC new feature tiers and bandwidth options moving forward, and will be available in the November pricelist.

**Q. Are prices increasing with these new SKUs?**

**A.** These SKUs are designed to be cost-effective, making more features available at the same price point.

**Q. Do I need to upgrade to the new SKUs now?**

**A.** For existing customers, there is no need to change immediately to these new SKUs, unless you want to take advantage of some of the new capabilities. The older SKUs will eventually be discontinued, and for now, customers can continue to renew support on their existing deployments using the previous support options.

**Q. Can I transfer to the new SKUs?**

**A.** Existing customers can transfer to the new SKUs if they wish and may contact your Brocade Sales Partner for more information. In many cases, they will be able to transfer to the new SKUs at no additional cost, or take advantage of this opportunity to consider upgrading to a more flexible capacity-based licensing model with Brocade Services Director.

**Q. Can I continue to renew support for my existing vADC deployments?**

**A.** Yes. Existing customers can continue to buy support for the older SKUs at this time with the previous support options, but should plan in advance should this change in the future.

**Q. Can I still order the old SKUs?**

**A.** Existing customers can still order the old SKUs. However, the older SKUs will eventually be discontinued, and their EOL/EOS notices will be published at a later date.

**Q. Does this also affect my subscription/term licenses?**

**A.** No, there is no impact on subscription licenses within their current term. At the end of a current term, customers will be able to transfer to a new subscription/term license and take advantage of the new SKUs.

**Q. Does this also affect Cloud Service Providers (CSPs)?**

**A.** Brocade will be rolling out changes to the CSP program later in the year. Brocade will work with CSPs to ensure they can offer the new feature tiers in their portfolio moving forward.

## Brocade vTM Feature Table

Model	Brocade vTM Bandwidth Options									
	50 Mbps	400 Mbps	1 Gbps	3 Gbps	5 Gbps	10 Gbps	20 Gbps	40 Gbps	80 Gbps	
Throughput	50 Mbps	400 Mbps	1 Gbps	3 Gbps	5 Gbps	10 Gbps	20 Gbps	40 Gbps	80 Gbps	
SSL/TLS TPS	Uncapped									
Functionality	Advanced or Enterprise									
Deployment model	Software, Virtual Appliance, Bare Metal image, or BYOL on cloud platforms									
License Style	Perpetual or Subscription									
Functionality	Advanced Edition			Enterprise Edition			Developer Edition 1 Mbps limit			
Brocade vTM	●			●						●
Brocade Services Director	●			●						-
Load Balancing	●			●						●
HTTP/2 Support	●			●						●
Content Routing	●			●						●
Health Monitoring	●			●						●
Simple TrafficScript Rule Builder	●			●						●
SSL/TLS Offload	●			●						●
HTTP Compression	●			●						●
Event and Action System	●			●						●
Service Protection	●			●						●
Analytics	●			●						●
HTTP Caching	●			●						●
Autoscale	●			●						●
XML Parsing	●			●						●
Bandwidth Management	●			●						●
Rate Shaping	●			●						●
Service Level Monitoring	●			●						●
Traffic Script	●			●						●
Java Extensions	●			●						●
Multi-Site Manager	●			●						●
Global Load Balancing	●			●						●
Route Health Injection	●			●						●
Web Accelerator	-				●					●
Web Accelerator Express	-				●					●
Web Application Firewall	-				●					●
Kerberos Constrained Delegation	-				●					●
FIPS	-				●					●

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