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Microsoft is in the process of replacing the way its software communicates with the Internal Azure Storage, deprecating connection strings, and moving on to SAS for improved platform security.

For more information on the matter, consult [Microsoft's website](#).

Warning

This news post contains highly important information for Lasernet customers and partners who use Lasernet FO Connector.

To ensure continued compatibility between Lasernet and Finance and Operations, Lasernet Group has released a solution to this issue in Lasernet FO Connector 7.1, which uses SAS or a SAS token for every processed report (the SAS token is cached to avoid performance issues).

This approach ensures access to the Internal Azure Storage managed by FinOps and that the **Attachments** and **Document handling** will continue working as usual.

To learn more about Lasernet Group's solution, consult this [quick guide](#) or an [in-depth technical explanation](#).

Prioritize upgrading Lasernet for Dynamics 365 Finance and Operations to stay compliant and improve platform security. The minimum required versions are:

- [Lasernet 10.10.2](#)
- [Lasernet FO Connector 7.1](#)

However, we strongly recommend upgrading to the latest available versions to benefit from all the latest fixes. See our [latest releases](#).

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the deadline to upgrade and ensure uninterrupted Lasernet service?

The following is Microsoft's communication to Lasernet customers:

To ensure changes do not disrupt customer environments and customers have enough time to comply with the change requirements, it is important that they proactively upgrade their Lasernet version to 7.1 or higher by 20th April 2025 in Sandbox and by 30th May 2025 in PROD. The Flights are scheduled to start and be completed as mentioned below.

The following are the timelines communicated to Lasernet customers:

Timelines for completing the **Enablement of Managed identity-based authentication**:

- Sandbox: 21st April 2025
- PROD: 31st May 2025

Timelines for completing the **Disablement of the account access key**:

- Sandbox: 31st May 2025
- PROD: 30th June 2025

2. What happens if I don't upgrade? What is the impact on Lasernet?

Azure Storage is used for document archiving, Cloud Print jobs, and general communication between Lasetnet FO Connector and Lasetnet servers. You are required to upgrade to ensure Lasetnet processes involving the Internal Azure Storage continue working.

3. Is Cloud Print Connector printing affected by this deprecation?

Yes, if you are using the Internal Azure Storage for Lasetnet Cloud Printing, this will be affected. The Lasetnet Cloud Print Connector will only support External Azure Storage options once the use of connection strings is deprecated.

4. How do I upgrade?

- Install the latest Lasetnet FO Connector package, which can be found [here](#).
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- Update your Lasetnet Configuration and Lasetnet FO Connector settings to use the new SAS token connection. The specific adjustments for your setup may vary, depending on your solution.

5. Who will be in charge of the upgrading process?

- If you have a Lasetnet Service partner, contact them as soon as possible to organize your upgrade.
- If you are on a Lasetnet default configuration, you can perform the upgrade yourself by following [these instructions](#).
- If you do not have a Lasetnet partner and require assistance, [contact us](#) to organize an upgrade.