



BlackBerry Workspaces

On-Premise Solution (Appliance-X) Site Readiness Checklist

Version 3.4

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Introduction

The BlackBerry Workspaces on-premise solution enables organizations to securely share, sync, control, and track files among internal users and with partners and customers through software installed at the customer site.

This document provides a **mandatory checklist** for customers to verify that their site is prepared for the Appliance-X installation. It should be filled by the customer and returned to BlackBerry Professional Services prior to the deployment process. Proper site preparation is essential to ensure a smooth installation.

Prerequisites

The following section lists the prerequisites for BlackBerry Workspaces Appliance-X installation. Note that these prerequisites are the responsibility of the customer.

Virtualization Server

The customer must have an installed Virtualization platform, with capacity available to support the specifications as detailed in *Hardware Requirements*, section 7. Available platforms include, but are not limited to, ESX, ESXi, and Hyper-V. The customer may also choose to install the servers in their private Cloud environment such as Azure or AWS.

Domain Name & Branding

BlackBerry Workspaces installation requires clear identification of the domain name as well as the appropriate authorization certificates. The customer must provide BlackBerry Workspaces with the preferred FQDN (Fully qualified domain name; such as *workspaces.mycompany.com*). This address is branded into the Appliance and serves as the suffix of all URLs used to access the BlackBerry Workspaces services.

Certificates

The BlackBerry Workspaces Virtual Appliance must be provisioned with certificates that correspond to the domain where it is installed. **Since the core value of the product relies on its security, no self-signed certificates may be used, and only approved certificate authorities can sign the certificates.**

Please refer to the included Appendix for detailed SSL certificate requirements.

Mail Relay (SMTP) Identification

The BlackBerry Workspaces application uses email as part of standard operation. Therefore, an SMTP server must be specified for service to function.



NTP Server

Virtual Appliance installation requires precise timing synchronization. Both IP address and Hostname formats are supported.

Third-Party Licensing

As part of BlackBerry Workspaces' installation process, license activation for third party software is required. All licenses should be provided by the customer prior to installation. This software includes:

1. Microsoft products (Windows Server 2016 and Microsoft Office 2016 Standard/Pro edition)
2. Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7

App-X Installation Type	Third Party Software Licenses	Amount	Notes
Basic	Microsoft Windows Server 2016	1	
	Microsoft Office 2016 Standard/Pro edition	1	Standard, Professional, or Professional Plus
	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7	1	RHEL Server license
Advanced	Microsoft Windows Server 2016	1+	Number of servers may vary. Consult with your PS Consultant
	Microsoft Office 2016 Standard/Pro	1+	1 license required for each 2016 server installed. Consult with your PS Consultant if there are questions
	Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7	4+	Number of servers may vary. Consult with your PS Consultant

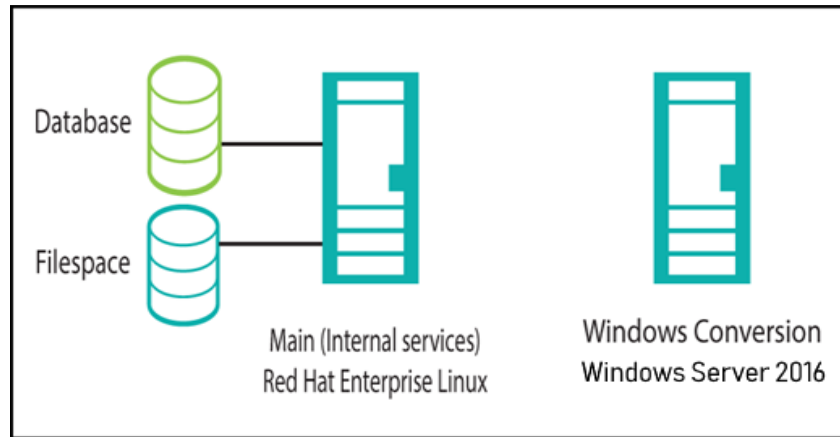
Deployment Configuration

Architecture

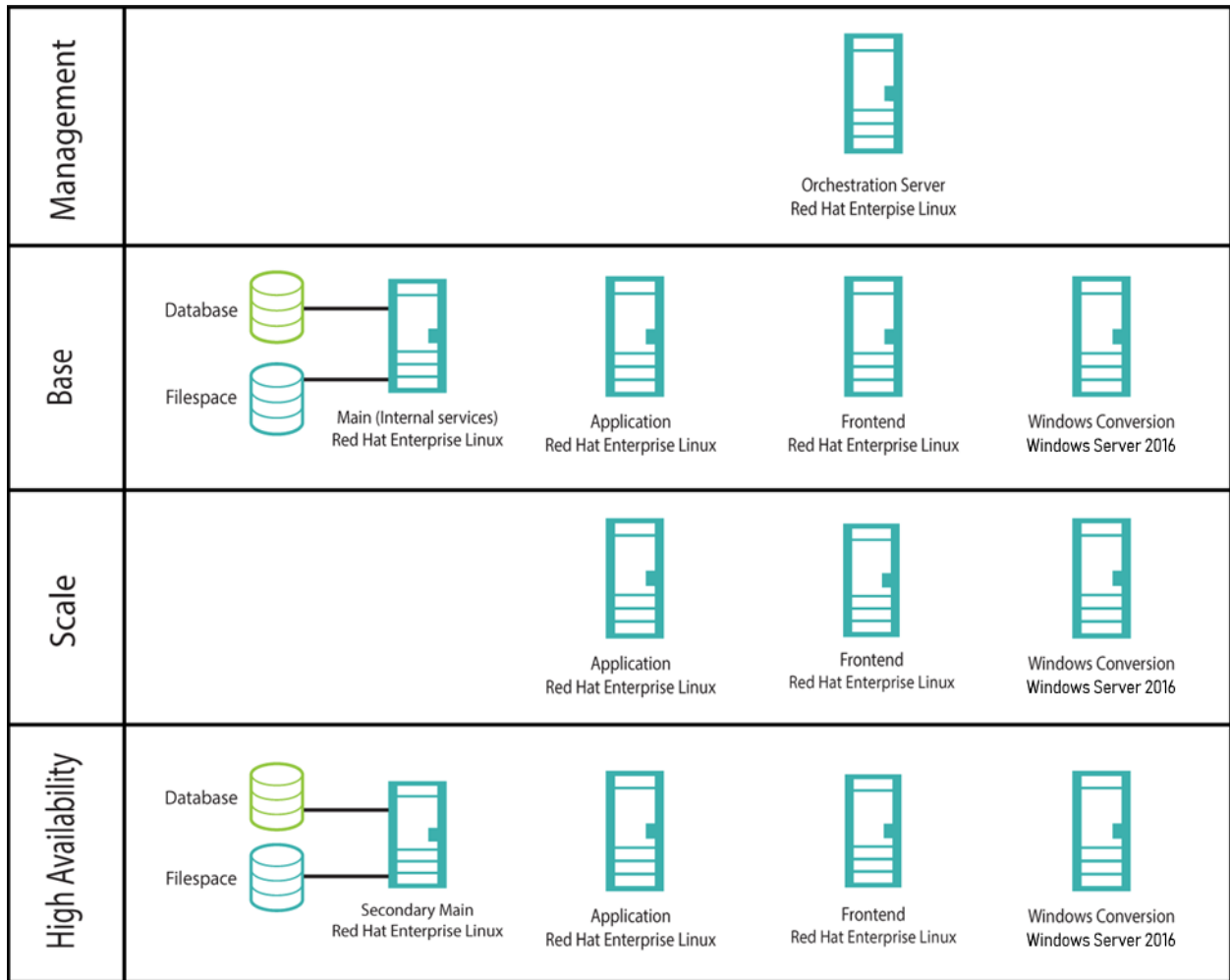
The standard BlackBerry Workspaces virtual appliance solution is comprised of 2 virtual machines as detailed below. This deployment model is called *Appliance-X Basic*. For specialized deployments, or deployments which require High Availability, a larger scalable model is available called *Appliance-X Advanced*. Due to the varying nature of Appliance-X Advanced deployments, server count and specifications may vary. Therefore, please ask your Professional Services Consultant if you have any questions.

Appliance-X Basic

Server Name	Responsibility
Master-Main	Provide all end-user services, including database and file storage
Conversion - Windows	Convert Microsoft Office files to BlackBerry Workspaces secure formats


Appliance-X Advanced

Server name	Responsibility	Add copies of server for scale	Secondary copy of server for high availability
Orchestration	Deployment and configuration management		
Frontend	BlackBerry Workspaces application frontend & load balance end users between application resources. If you add a copy of the server for scale, an external load balancing solution is required.	✓	✓
Main	Internal appliance services, including database and file storage		✓
Application	BlackBerry Workspaces application, including web application and API service	✓	✓
Conversion - Windows	Converts Microsoft Office files to BlackBerry Workspaces secure format	✓	✓



High Availability and Disaster Recovery

BlackBerry Workspaces does not natively support an Active-Passive failover Disaster Recovery (“DR”) model. BlackBerry recommends using one of the many available third-party DR solutions for failover of Workspaces servers. BlackBerry Professional Services has additional information and several options to assist with HA/DR configurations.

Checklist

1. Network settings	Main RHEL IP: _____ _____
	Conversion Windows IP: _____ _____
	Network Mask:

	<p>____.____.____.____</p> <p>Gateway:</p> <p>____.____.____.____</p> <p>DNS 1:</p> <p>____.____.____.____</p> <p>DNS 2:</p> <p>____.____.____.____</p>
<p>2. Please enter the name of the organization hosting the service, and the email address of the hosting service administrator.</p>	<p>Hosting organization name: Click here to enter text.</p> <p>Administrator email address: Click here to enter text.</p>
<p>3. Please enter the server's desired URL:</p> <p>Please note that this domain will require proper SSL certificates</p>	<p>FQDN: Click here to enter text.</p>
<p>4. Local server time-zone</p>	<p>Click here to enter text.</p>
<p>5. NTP server details</p>	<p>IP or Hostname: Click here to enter text.</p>
<p>6. SMTP server details</p>	<p>Server IP: ____.____.____.____</p> <p>Port (default 25): Click here to enter text.</p> <p>User (optional): Click here to enter text.</p> <p>Password (optional): Click here to enter text.</p>
<p>7. How much space will be dedicated to the server for storage of end users' documents?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note: Please plan for 20% overhead to this number for database storage. Example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 500 GB for document storage 	<p>Dedicated storage space: Click here to enter text.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 GB for database storage 	
8. Have you obtained required trusted-signed certificates?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
9. Have you obtained the required Microsoft license keys? (Windows Server 2016 and Office 2016 Standard or Professional edition)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Firewall Connectivity Matrix

The firewall connectivity matrix details the access settings required for the BlackBerry Workspaces product. These settings must be configured by the customer to enable BlackBerry Workspaces service.

Appliance-X Basic

Source	Target	Port
Master-Main RHEL Server	SMTP Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25
Master-Main RHEL Server	Conversion Windows Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 • 4510 • 4511 • 5666 • 443 • 4431 • 4432 • 4433 • 8082
Conversion Windows Server	Master-Main RHEL Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4510 • 4511 • 8543 • 8443 • 53 (+UDP) • 4505 • 4506
End User Devices	Master-Main RHEL Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80 • 443
IT Admins	Master-Main RHEL Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5000 • 8081

Appliance-X Advanced

Source	Target	Ports
Orchestration server	Main server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25

Source	Target	Ports
Orchestration server	Main server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 • 5666
Orchestration server	Frontend server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 • 5666
Orchestration server	Application server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 • 5666
Orchestration server	Conversion-Windows server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 • 5666 • 4510 • 4511
Main server	External Cloud Storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 443
Main server	Orchestration server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4505 • 4506 • 8543
Main server	Frontend server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3000
Main server	Application server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8009 • 8080
Main server	Conversion-Windows server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 443 • 4431 • 4432 • 8082
Main server	Main server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6379
Frontend server	Orchestration server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4505 • 4506 • 8543
Frontend server	Application server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8009 • 8080
Frontend server	Main server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 53 (+UDP) • 8443
Frontend server	Conversion-Windows server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 443 • 4433
Application server	SMTP server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25
Application server	Orchestration server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4505 • 4506 • 8543
Application server	Main server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3306 • 8443 • 8081

Source	Target	Ports
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11211 • 2049 • 111 • 53 (+UDP)
Application server	Frontend server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3000
Conversion-Windows server	Orchestration server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4505 • 4506 • 8543
Conversion-Windows server	Main server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8080 • 8443 • 53 (+UDP)
End User Devices	Frontend server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 443 • 80
IT Admins	Orchestration server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5000 • 7767
IT Admins	Main server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8081

Hardware Requirements

The minimum hardware requirements can be found below. In some situations, it may be recommended to exceed these minimum requirements. Please reference the below server sizes based on the number of registered users in the system.

Server Sizes

Server size	Workspaces Architecture	Number of Users	HA Included	HA Possible
Small	Basic	0 - 500	No	No
Medium I	Advanced	500 – 2,000	No	Yes
Medium II	Advanced	2,000 – 5,000	No	Yes
Medium III	Advanced	5,000 – 25,000	Yes	Yes
Large I	Advanced	50,000 – 100,000	Yes	Yes
Large 2 +	Advanced	100,000 +	Yes	Yes

Small

Server name	Operating System	vCPU	Memory	HDD1	HDD2	HDD3	HDD4
Master-Main	RHEL 7	6	16 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace; See Checklist Item #7	DB; 20% of HDD3

Conversion - Windows	Windows Server 2016	4	8 GB	100 GB	100 GB		
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Medium I

Server name	Operating System	vCPU	Memory	HDD1	HDD2	HDD3	HDD4
Main1	RHEL 7	2	8 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace on NFS; See Checklist Item #7	DB; 20% of HDD3
Main2	RHEL 7	2	8 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace on NFS; See Checklist Item #7	20% of HDD3
Application1	RHEL 7	2	8 GB	100 GB			
Orchestration	RHEL 7	2	4 GB	100 GB			
Frontend1	RHEL 7	2	4 GB	100 GB			
Conversion1	Windows Server 2016	2	8 GB	100 GB	100 GB		

Medium II

Server name	Operating System	vCPU	Memory	HDD1	HDD2	HDD3	HDD4
Main1	RHEL 7	4	8 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace on NFS; See Checklist Item #7	DB; 20% of HDD3
Main2	RHEL 7	4	8 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace on NFS; See Checklist Item #7	20% of HDD3
Application1	RHEL 7	4	8 GB	100 GB			
Orchestration	RHEL 7	2	4 GB	100 GB			
Frontend1	RHEL 7	2	4 GB	100 GB			
Conversion1	Windows Server 2016	4	8 GB	100 GB	100 GB		

Medium III

Server name	Operating System	vCPU	Memory	HDD1	HDD2	HDD3	HDD4
Main1	RHEL 7	8	16 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace on NFS; See Checklist Item #7	DB; 20% of HDD3
Main2	RHEL 7	8	16 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace on NFS; See Checklist Item #7	20% of HDD3
Application1	RHEL 7	4	8 GB	100 GB			
Application2	RHEL 7	4	8 GB	100 GB			

Server name	Operating System	vCPU	Memory	HDD1	HDD2	HDD3	HDD4
Application3	RHEL 7	4	8 GB	100 GB			
Orchestration	RHEL 7	2	4 GB	100 GB			
Frontend1	RHEL 7	2	6 GB	100 GB			
Frontend2	RHEL 7	2	6 GB	100 GB			
Conversion1	Windows Server 2016	4	8 GB	100 GB	100 GB		
Conversion2	Windows Server 2016	4	8 GB	100 GB	100 GB		

Large I

Server name	Operating System	vCPU	Memory	HDD1	HDD2	HDD3	HDD4
Main1	RHEL 7	16	16 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace on NFS; See Checklist Item #7	DB; 20% of HDD3
Main2	RHEL 7	16	16 GB	100 GB	40 GB	Filespace on NFS; See Checklist Item #7	20% of HDD3
Application1	RHEL 7	8	16 GB	100 GB			
Application2	RHEL 7	8	16 GB	100 GB			
Application3	RHEL 7	8	16 GB	100 GB			
Orchestration	RHEL 7	2	4 GB	100 GB			
Frontend1	RHEL 7	4	6 GB	100 GB			
Frontend2	RHEL 7	4	6 GB	100 GB			
Conversion1	Windows Server 2016	8	16 GB	100 GB	100 GB		
Conversion2	Windows Server 2016	8	16 GB	100 GB	100 GB		
Conversion3	Windows Server 2016	8	16 GB	100 GB	100 GB		

Large II+

For deployments larger than 100,000 users, consult with your BlackBerry Professional Services representative.

Additional File Storage

In addition to the OS drives, 3 additional disks are required to store end users' uploaded files and database files on "Main" Red Hat servers. Data stored on these drives will remain encrypted at all times. Depending on the deployment option selected, the drive mount points will differ.

Deployment Type	Disk Purpose	Server Location	Mount Point	Size
Basic AppX	Filespace	Master-Main	/opt/watchdox/storage/filespace	Customer Discretion
	Database	Master-Main	/mnt/database	20% of Filespace
	FS Cache	Master-Main	/opt/watchdox/storage/fs_cache	40 GB
Advanced AppX	Filespace	Main	/opt/watchdox/storage/filespace	Customer Discretion
	Database	Main	/mnt/database	20% of Filespace
	FS Cache	Main	/opt/watchdox/storage/fs_cache	40 GB

Note: If more than 1 Main server exists in the environment, the Filespace should be on NFS storage.

Server Images

Below are operating system prerequisites for the Workspaces deployment.

Servers	Requirements
Red Hat Linux Enterprise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Static IP for each server on eth0 interface • Red Hat Enterprise Linux version 7.8. RHEL version 8 is not supported at this time. Red Hat server images can be downloaded from Red Hat: https://access.redhat.com/downloads • For instructions on setting up the Red Hat '/' mount, please see "Appendix- Configuring Red Hat '/' during install". • Root account or a user account with SUDO privilege. • If a user account was used in lieu of root, NOPASSWD configuration must be granted in /etc/sudoers. This does not eliminate the user's password, this removes the repeat password prompt when the user elevates commands via sudo. • SSH service is available and running • SELinux is either disabled or in permissive mode • Python3 installed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Install: yum install python3 ○ Validate: python3 --version • Base packages included with the standard RHEL 7 image. Those required packages can be viewed at KB-64702.
Windows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Static IP for each server • Windows Server 2016 64-bit is activated • Microsoft Office 2016 64-bit, Standard or Professional is activated • Validate that the C: and D: drives were created (100 GB each) • Create the D:\Temp directory with FULL permission assigned to all users • Set environment variables %TEMP% and %TMP% for system, user, and default user to D:\Temp • Ensure the BlackBerry Workspaces Cygwin package is installed. The installer is provided before deployment and includes these packages: alternatives, base-cygwin, base-files, bash, bzip2, ca-certificates, coreutils, csih, curl, cygrunsrv, cygutils, cygwin,

dash, diffutils, dos2unix, editrights, file, findutils, gawk, getent, grep, groff, gzip, hostname, ipc-utils, less, libargp, libattr1, libbz2_1, libcom_err2, libcrypt0, libcurl4, libdb5.3, libedit0, libexpat1, libffi6, libgcc1, libgdbm4, libgmp10, libgnutls28, libgssapi_krb5_2, libhogweed2, libiconv2, libidn11, libintl8, libk5crypto3, libkrb5_3, libkrb5support0, liblzma5, libmetalink3, libmpfr4, libncursesw10, libnettle4, libopenldap2_4_2, libopenssl100, libp11-kit0, libpcre1, libpipeline1, libpopt0, libreadline7, libsasl2_3, libssh2_1, libssp0, libstdc++6, libtasn1_6, libwrap0, login, lynx, man-db, mintty, openssh, p11-kit, p11-kit-trust, perl, popt, rebase, rsync, run, sed, tar, terminfo, texinfo, tzcode, unzip, vim, vim-common, vim-minimal, wget, which, windows-default-manifest, xxd, xz, zip, zlib0

Additional Connector Add-Ons

BlackBerry Workspaces supports Connectors that allow the organization to utilize other third-party services to incorporate with Workspaces. The Connectors include services such as SharePoint, Windows File Share, and Single Sign On services via SAML. The following are prerequisites that should be completed prior to installing the Connectors:

UCC (Unified Content Connector)

If the customer will be installing the UCC to support integration with SharePoint on-prem, SharePoint Online, Windows File Share, or One Drive for Business, then an additional Windows server will be required. Below you will find the prerequisites for this Connector:

Server Size

- OS: Windows Server 2016
- CPU: 4 vCPU
- Memory: 8 GB
- Storage: 100 GB

Port Requirements

Source	Target	Port
Master-Main server (Basic deployment) or Main server (Advanced deployment)	Unified Content Connector	8443
Unified Content Connector	External Repository	Per third-party service requirements (usually 443)
Unified Content Connector	Frontend server (Advanced deployment)	443

Single Sign-On Identity Connector

No additional server is required for Single Sign-on via SAML. The customer is expected to already have a single sign-on service in place prior to the configuration. If you need recommendations for a third-party SAML provider, please contact your BlackBerry Professional Services Consultant, and they can assist.

Office Online Server

The customer is expected to already have installed a working version of Office Online Server (OOS) or Office Web Apps Server (OWAS). There is no additional server required to connect Workspaces with an existing Office Online environment.

Port Requirements

Source	Target	Port
Master-Main server (Basic deployment and vApp) or Application server (Advanced deployment)	OWAS or OOS	443 (HTTPS)
OWAS or OOS	Master-Main server (Basic deployment and vApp) or Application server (Advanced deployment)	443 (HTTPS)
End-user machine	OWAS or OOS	443 (HTTPS)
OWAS or OOS	End-user machine	443 (HTTPS)

Appendix

SSL Certificates

The BlackBerry Workspaces Virtual Appliance must be provisioned with SSL certificates by an approved certificate authority. The SSL certificate should be generated before the installation. There are many ways to generate a CSR (Certificate Signing Request). BlackBerry recommends the following, which can be performed on almost any Linux server from the Terminal. Once complete, submit the CSR to your Certificate Authority and retain the Private Key:

```
openssl req -new -newkey rsa:2048 -nodes -keyout /tmp/privateKey.key -out /tmp/CSR.csr
```

The Appliance-X installation requires 3 certificate pieces:

- **SSL Certificate**

- Definition: The SSL certificate that will be used to secure communication with end users. This certificate should have the site's URL in either the Subject Name or Subject Alternative Name (SAN) attributes. This must be signed by a valid 3rd party, publicly trusted certificate authority (not self-signed or internally signed).

- Sample:

```
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
```

```
MII/.....
```

```
.....
```

```
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
```

- Further information: [http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc778623\(v=ws.10\).aspx](http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc778623(v=ws.10).aspx)

- **SSL Certificate Private Key**

- Definition: This is the private key used to decrypt the communication.

- Sample:

```
-----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY
```

```
....
```

```
-----END PRIVATE KEY-----
```

- Further information: <http://www.tldp.org/HOWTO/SSL-Certificates-HOWTO/x64.html>

- **SSL Intermediate CA Bundle**

- Definition – a combination of the certificates validating the SSL site certificate. This bundle usually contains 2-3 certificates, including the intermediate and root certificates.

- Sample:

```
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
```

```
MIIEST...
```

```
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
```

```
-----BEGIN CERTIFICATE-----
```

```
MerR....
```

```
-----END CERTIFICATE-----
```

- Link: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Intermediate_certificate_authorities

Configuring Red Hat '/' mount during install

These instructions provide guidance on configuring the Red Hat '/' mount point during install. If these steps are not followed, the '/' mount will not have sufficient space for the BlackBerry Workspaces installation.

1. Mount the Red Hat 7 iso in the VM
2. Boot the machine from the iso file
3. Select "Install Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7" from the boot menu
4. Select your language and keyboard layout and click Continue
5. Select System – Installation Destination
6. Ensure the correct drive is checked on which we will be installing the Red Hat OS.
7. Under *Other Storage Options* – Partitioning, select "I will configure partitioning".
8. Click Done.
9. Under "New Red Hat Enterprise Linux Installation", ensure "LVM" is selected and click "Click here to create them automatically".
10. Select "/home" under "Data" and click the "-" button below to remove the unnecessary "/home" partition.
11. Select the "/" partition labeled "rhel-root".
12. In the right pane, increase the "Desired Capacity" to the full size of your disk, listed in the "Total Space" box at the bottom. Red Hat will calculate the additional space not used by /boot or swap to expand "/" to the maximum size.
13. Click "Done" in the top-left.
14. Click "Accept Changes" on the Summary page.