

SharePoint Migration Status

How GDOTS SharePoint sites are migrating to Microsoft 365.

What's Happening

GDOTS is migrating SharePoint from an on-premises, external-only environment to Microsoft 365. This move enables richer collaboration capabilities, a modern platform experience, and secure external connections through M365's built-in sharing and identity features.

As part of this migration, all external SharePoint sites that were previously hosted on-prem are being moved to the M365 cloud environment.

Why the Migration

- Modern platform: M365 SharePoint offers improved performance, mobile access, and a modern user interface
- Better collaboration: Richer sharing, co-authoring, and communication features
- Secure external access: Guest accounts and B2B connections provide controlled, auditable access for external partners
- Compliance and security: The M365 environment operates in Azure Government GCC High to meet federal security and export control requirements for handling controlled unclassified information (CUI) and International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR)-controlled data
- Reduced infrastructure: Moving off on-prem hardware to Microsoft's cloud

Wave-Based Approach

Sites are being migrated in waves, not all at once. This means:

- You will receive your GDOTS guest account credentials along with a link to the first SharePoint site that has been migrated for your access
- As additional sites are migrated, you will receive separate notification emails with the new site links
- Not all sites you previously had access to will be available immediately. They will come online as each wave completes

TIP

Keep an eye on your email for additional site migration notifications from GDOTS. Each notification will contain the new M365 SharePoint link for that site.

What Changes for Partners

SharePoint URLs	On-prem URLs	New M365 URLs (provided in notifications)
How you sign in	Previous access method	GDOTS guest account or B2B (your org credentials)
Security	Previous authentication	Multi-factor authentication (MFA) required
Your documents	On-prem SharePoint	Preserved (migrated to M365)

IMPORTANT

Your old on-prem SharePoint URLs will no longer work after migration. Use the new links provided in your notification emails.

What to Expect

- First: You'll receive a welcome email with your GDOTS guest account credentials and a link to your first migrated site
- Then: Complete your account setup (password change, MFA) using the [MFA Setup Guide](#)
- Over time: You'll receive additional emails as more sites you have access to are migrated
- Recommended: Have your IT team set up a [B2B connection](#) so you can use your own organization's credentials instead of managing a separate guest account

RECOMMENDED

While guest accounts work immediately, we encourage your organization to set up a B2B connection for a simpler, more secure experience. [Learn about the benefits of B2B.](#)