



# IBM Customized Offerings Driver V3.1 offers prebuilt, stand-alone driving system to meet IBM z/OS installation requirements

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## Overview

The IBM® Customized Offerings Driver is a prebuilt, stand-alone driving system that can be used to install a z/OS® ServerPac, z/OS SystemPac® (dump-by-dataset), or z/OS Custom-Built Product Delivery Offering (CBPDO) package when you do not have a driving system or your driving system does not meet the minimum requirements for z/OS installation. The Customized Offerings Driver is a subset of a z/OS system with Job Entry Subsystem 2 (JES2) that can run on any supported IBM System z® processor.

The minimum configuration required for the Customized Offerings Driver is three DASD volumes configured as 3390-3, or larger; a tape drive capable of reading IBM 3480, 3590, or 3592 tape cartridges; a non-Systems Network Architecture (SNA) terminal used for a z/OS MVS™ system console; and a locally attached SNA terminal for a Time Sharing Option Extended (TSO/E) session. The Customized Offerings Driver can currently be delivered on IBM 3480, 3590, or 3592 tape media using the minimum number of tapes needed to deliver the three 3390-3 DASD volume system.

For up-to-date information about the Customized Offerings Driver, including supported media, DASD volume sizes, product levels included, z/OS hardware and software prerequisites, and driving system requirements, refer to *z/OS Planning for Installation* (GA22-7504) at

<http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zos/bkserv/>

For ordering, contact your IBM representative, an IBM Business Partner, or IBM Americas Call Centers at 800-IBM-CALL (Reference: LE001).

## Key prerequisites

A supported System z server is required.

For the Customized Offerings Driver hardware and software requirements, refer to the current *z/OS Planning for Installation* (GA22-7504) at

<http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zos/bkserv/>

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## Planned availability date

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September 25, 2009

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## Description

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For a complete description of the Customized Offerings Driver, refer to the current *z/OS Planning for Installation* (GA22-7504) at

<http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zos/bkserv/>

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### Accessibility by people with disabilities

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A U.S. Section 508 Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) containing details on accessibility compliance can be requested at

[http://www.ibm.com/able/product\\_accessibility/index.html](http://www.ibm.com/able/product_accessibility/index.html)

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### Section 508 of the U.S. Rehabilitation Act

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IBM Customized Offerings Driver is capable as of September 25, 2009, when used in accordance with IBM's associated documentation, of satisfying the applicable requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, provided that any assistive technology used with the product properly interoperates with it. A U.S. Section 508 Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) can be requested at

[http://www-03.ibm.com/able/product\\_accessibility/index.html](http://www-03.ibm.com/able/product_accessibility/index.html)

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## Product positioning

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If you are licensed for z/OS, you can use the Customized Offerings Driver as a driving system to install a z/OS ServerPac, z/OS SystemPac (dump-by-data-set), or z/OS CBPDO package when you do not have a driving system or your driving system does not meet the minimum installation requirements. The Customized Offerings Driver supports the minimum installation requirements for z/OS.

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## Hardware and software support services

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### SmoothStart/installation services

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IBM SmoothStart™ Services and Installation Services are not provided.

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## Reference information

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Refer to:

- Software Announcement [209-242](#), dated August 18, 2009.
- Software Announcement [206-203](#), dated August 15, 2006.
- Software Announcement [204-013](#), dated February 10, 2004.

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## Program number

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Program number	VRM	Program name
5751-COD	3.1.0	IBM Customized Offerings Driver V3

## Business Partner information

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If you are a Direct Reseller - System Reseller acquiring products from IBM, you may link directly to Business Partner information for this announcement. A PartnerWorld® ID and password are required (use IBM ID).

<https://www.ibm.com/partnerworld/mem/sla.jsp?num=209-271>

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## Technical information

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### Specified operating environment

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#### Hardware requirements

A supported System z server is required. Refer to the current *z/OS Planning for Installation* (GA22-7504) for the level of z/OS in the current Customized Offerings Driver, then refer to the *z/OS Planning for Installation* for that level of z/OS to find the supported System z servers at

<http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zos/bkserv/>

#### Software requirements

The Customized Offerings Driver contains the IBM products required to support the installation of z/OS. In addition, the stand-alone utilities are provided to initialize DASD volumes and restore the Customized Offerings Driver.

#### Compatibility

IBM Customized Offerings Driver V3.1 (5751-COD) is a complete replacement of IBM Customized Offerings Driver V2.4.1 (5655-M12). The latest level of the Customized Offerings Driver should be used at all times in the installation of a z/OS ServerPac, z/OS SystemPac (dump-by-data-set), or a z/OS CBPDO package.

#### Limitations

- The Customized Offerings Driver does not support DASD volume sizes smaller than 3390-3.
- Although the Customized Offerings Driver can be ordered in ShopzSeries, Internet delivery is not supported.
- The Customized Offerings Driver is intended to be used only for the installation of a z/OS ServerPac or a z/OS CBPDO package. Any other use is unsupported by IBM. After the installation of the z/OS package is complete, you should discontinue the use of the Customized Offerings Driver and discard the program materials in accordance with the applicable IBM license agreement.

### Planning information

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#### Customer responsibilities

The minimum configuration required for the Customized Offerings Driver is a supported System z processor; a tape drive that can read IBM 3480, 3590, or 3592 tape media; three DASD volumes configured as 3390-3 or larger 3390 volumes; a non-SNA terminal to be used as a z/OS MVS system console; and a locally attached SNA terminal for a TSO/E session. For information regarding the devices and their corresponding physical addresses that are generated into the Customized Offerings Driver, refer to the *Customized Offerings Driver Installation Guide* that is supplied with the Customized Offerings Driver package.

### **Direct customer support**

Direct customer support is provided by IBM Operational Support Services - SoftwareXcel Enterprise Edition or SoftwareXcel Basic Edition. These fee services can enhance your productivity by providing voice and electronic access into the IBM support organization. IBM Operational Support Services - SoftwareXcel Enterprise Edition or SoftwareXcel Basic Edition will help answer questions pertaining to usage, how-to, and suspected software defects for eligible products.

Installation and technical support is provided by IBM Global Services. For more information on services, call 888-426-4343.

### **Packaging**

The Customized Offerings Driver consists of a stand-alone utility tape used to initialize and restore DASD volumes from the other tapes containing the actual z/OS driving system. The minimum number of tapes will be delivered based on the media type chosen. The actual number of tapes are described in the *Customized Offerings Driver Installation Guide* supplied with the Customized Offerings Driver package.

### **Security, auditability, and control**

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The announced program uses the security and auditability features of the z/OS operating system software. The customer is responsible for evaluation, selection, and implementation of security features, administrative procedures, and appropriate controls in application systems and communication facilities.

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## **Ordering information**

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### **Ordering z/OS through the Internet**

ShopzSeries provides an easy way to plan and order your z/OS ServerPac or CBPDO or Customized Offerings Driver. ShopzSeries is available in the U.S., Canada, and several countries in Europe. In countries where ShopzSeries is not available yet, contact your IBM representative (or IBM Business Partner) to handle your order via the traditional IBM ordering process. For more details and availability, visit the ShopzSeries Web site at

<http://www14.software.ibm.com/webapp/ShopzSeries/ShopzSeries.jsp>

### **New licensees**

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Orders for new licenses can be placed on September 11, 2009. Production of IBM Customized Offerings Driver V3.1 (5751-COD) orders will begin on the planned availability date, September 25, 2009. Orders entered with a scheduled date before the planned availability date will be shipped IBM Customized Offerings Driver V2.4.1 (5655-M12). Shipment dates for orders will be based on order sequence, production capability, and customer-requested arrival date. Shipments of IBM Customized Offerings Driver V3.1 orders will begin within seven business days after the planned availability date.

Always check the current z/OS announcement for any updates to the content and availability dates for the Customized Offerings Driver.

To order the IBM Customized Offerings Driver V3.1, specify:

Type: 5751 Model: COD

### **Basic License**

This is a no-charge product. You must have a license for z/OS V1 (5694-A01) or any replacement product to order the Customized Offerings Driver.

When IBM Customized Offerings Driver V3.1 is available, IBM Customized Offerings Driver V2.4.1 will no longer be available.

### **Basic machine-readable material**

Orderable

Supply ID:	Language	Distribution medium	Description
S015P2M	English	3480 uncompress tape	Customized Offerings Driver
S015P1V	English	3590 tape	Customized Offerings Driver
S015P1W	English	3592 tape	Customized Offerings Driver
S015PST	English	3480 uncompress tape	Customized Offerings Driver - MVS
S015P1X	English	3590	Customized Offerings Driver - MVS
S015P1Z	English	3592	Customized Offerings Driver - MVS

### **Customization options**

Expedite shipments will be processed to receive 72-hour delivery from the time IBM Software Delivery and Fulfillment (SDF) receives the order. SDF will then ship the order via overnight air transportation.

No publications are shipped with the announced product.

### **Customized offerings**

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The Customized Offerings Driver is a Customized Offering. Media type for this software product is chosen during the customized offerings ordering process. Based on your customer environment, it is recommended that the highest possible density tape media is selected. Currently offered media types are:

- Customized Offerings Driver - 3480, 3590, 3592<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> 3592 is highest density media. If you select 3592 media, the order will be shipped on the smallest number of tapes.

Production of Customized Offerings Driver orders will begin on the planned general availability date. Customized Offerings Driver shipments will begin within seven business days after general availability.

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## **Terms and conditions**

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### **Agreement**

IBM Customer Agreement

### **Variable charges apply**

No

### **Indexed monthly license charge (IMLC) applies**

No

### **Location license applies**

No

### **Use limitation applies**

No

**Educational allowance available**

Yes, 15% education allowance applies to qualified education institution customers.

**Warranty applies**

Yes

**Licensed program materials availability**

Restricted Materials of IBM:	None
Non-Restricted Source Materials:	None
Object Code Only (OCO):	All

**Program services**

None

**IBM Operational Support Services - SupportLine**

Yes

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**Prices**

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Current charges are unaffected by this announcement.

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**IBM Electronic Services**

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To learn how Electronic Services can work for you, visit

<http://www.ibm.com/support/electronic>

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