

cloudscout.one what's next CW 39

Product: OneNote

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What's next to do Major Items

check before:

09/21/2020

Updated September 22, 2020: We have updated this post to ensure it is displaying as intended.

Office has introduced a modern and OAuth based authentication mechanism in Office 2016 and Microsoft 365 Apps for enterprise Win32 clients. Modern auth has been the default way of authentication in Office apps since the release of Office 365 ProPlus, more than 4 years ago. We however allowed customers to override this behavior by setting a regkey EnableADAL to 0 so that they could continue to use the legacy form of authentication against Microsoft 365 resources like SharePoint. This legacy form of authentication was powered by a library called IDCRL. It should be noted that the legacy form of authentication for Exchange Online is basic auth, which is different from IDCRL.

Our data suggests that less than 1% of commercial/organization users have overridden the default setting and are still using IDCRL for authentication purposes in Microsoft 365 Apps for enterprise. Modern auth is a more secure way of signing-in. It also allows additional security features like AAD conditional access using multi-factor authentication and device compliance and policies around them.

We are going to remove support for IDCRL library in newer builds of Microsoft 365 Apps for enterprise so that applications like Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote will always use modern authentication with Microsoft 365 resources. This change will not impact Outlook, which uses basic authentication to communicate with Exchange when the EnableADAL regkey is set to 0.

Key points:

Major: Retirement

Timing:

Starting with Current Channel of Microsoft 365 Apps for enterprise version 2010

Semi-Annual Enterprise Channel (Preview) starting version 2102 in March 2021

Semi-Annual Enterprise Channel in July 2021.

Action: No action, this is for awareness

Status:

Created:

09/15/2020

Product:

Azure Active Directory,
Exchange, Office app,
OneNote, Outlook,
SharePoint

Platform:

Online, World tenant

Scope:

Security, User, Administration

Ring:

	Type:	User impact	Tenant:
Docu to check	Service Description, Automation / Scripts, Working instructions for IT Support, User Knowledge base		
MS Preparations	There is nothing you need to do as this notice is for awareness.		
MS How does it affect me	When the change is implemented, users may see a sign-in prompt on each impacted device. Note: this affects only newer builds of Microsoft 365 Apps for enterprise and does NOT impact Office 2016 and 2019 perpetual products.		

What's next to do normal Items

What's next to do minor Items



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