



.NET 8.0

Release Notes for .NET 8.0 RPM packages

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Abstract

The Release Notes for .NET 8.0 RPM packages provide high-level coverage of the features and functionality that comprise the .NET 8.0 platform and document known problems in this release.

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MAKING OPEN SOURCE MORE INCLUSIVE

Red Hat is committed to replacing problematic language in our code, documentation, and web properties. We are beginning with these four terms: master, slave, blacklist, and whitelist. Because of the enormity of this endeavor, these changes will be implemented gradually over several upcoming releases. For more details, see [our CTO Chris Wright's message](#).

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CHAPTER 1. AVAILABILITY

Red Hat provides a distribution of .NET that enables developers to create applications using the C#, Visual Basic, and F# languages and then deploy them on Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL), Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform, or other platforms. A [no-cost Red Hat Enterprise Linux Developer Subscription](#) is available, including a full suite of tools for container development.

- For RHEL 8.9 and later and RHEL 9.3 and later, .NET 8.0 is available as the following RPMs in the AppStream repositories:



NOTE

The AppStream repositories are enabled by default in RHEL 8 and RHEL 9.

- **dotnet-sdk-8.0:** Includes the .NET 8.0 Software Development Kit (SDK) and all the runtimes.
 - **aspnetcore-runtime-8.0:** Includes the .NET runtime and the ASP.NET Core runtime. Install this package to run ASP.NET Core-based applications.
 - **dotnet-runtime-8.0:** Includes only the .NET 8.0 runtime. Install this to use the runtime without the SDK.
- .NET 8.0 is available for **aarch64**, **ppc64le**, **s390x**, and **x86_64** architectures on RHEL 8, RHEL 9, and OpenShift Container Platform. Full instructions for installing .NET 8.0 on RHEL are available in the [Getting started with .NET on RHEL 8](#) and [Getting started with .NET on RHEL 9](#) guides.

CHAPTER 2. OVERVIEW

.NET is a general purpose, modular, cross-platform, and open source implementation of .NET that features automatic memory management and modern programming languages. It allows users to build high-quality applications efficiently.

.NET 8.0 is available on RHEL 8.9 and later, RHEL 9.3 and later.

.NET 8.0 is a Long Term Support (LTS) release. LTS releases reach End of Support after around 3 years. For more information, see the [Life Cycle and Support Policies for the .NET Program](#).

.NET offers:

- The ability to follow a microservices-based approach, where some components are built with .NET and others with Java or JavaScript, but all can run on a common, supported platform in RHEL.
- The capacity to more easily develop new .NET workloads on Microsoft Windows. You can deploy and run on either RHEL or Windows Server.
- A heterogeneous data center, where the underlying infrastructure is capable of running .NET applications without having to rely solely on Windows Server.

CHAPTER 3. FEATURES AND BENEFITS

3.1. CURRENT FEATURES AND BENEFITS

.NET 8.0 offers the following features and benefits.

- Runtime and framework libraries
.NET consists of the runtime and the framework libraries as well as compilers, build tools, tools to fetch NuGet packages, and a command-line interface to tie everything together. Benefits include:
 - Automatic memory management
 - Type safety
 - Delegates and lambdas
 - Generic types
 - Language Integrated Query (LINQ)
 - Async programming
 - Native interoperability
 - Source generators
- .NET 8.0 supports developing applications using ASP.NET Core 8.0 and EF Core 8.0, which bring benefits such as:
 - Lightweight and modular HTTP request pipeline
 - Ability to host on a web server or self-host in your own process
 - Built on .NET, which supports true side-by-side app versioning
 - Integrated support for creating and using NuGet packages
 - Single aligned web stack for web UI and web APIs
 - Cloud-ready environment-based configuration
 - Built-in support for dependency injection
 - Tools that simplify modern web development

3.2. NEW FEATURES AND BENEFITS

.NET 8.0 continues to broaden its support and tools for application development in an open source environment. The latest version of .NET includes the following improvements:

- C# updated to C#12
- F# updated to F#8

- Support for building containers: .NET 8.0 includes built-in support for building container images for .NET projects.
- Performance improvements: The new **FrozenDirectory** and **FrozenSet** types are optimized for write once, read many (WORM) scenarios, and the new **IUtf8SpanFormattable** interface enables writing out a UTF-8 string representation for an object.
- ASP.NET Core 8.0 improvements: Server-side rendering of **blazor** components is now possible. ASP.NET Core 8.0 improves the built-in support for identity authentication and authorization. Minimal API and gRPC applications can now be built with **NativeAOT**.

CHAPTER 4. SUPPORTED OPERATING SYSTEMS AND ARCHITECTURES

.NET 8.0 is available for OpenShift Container Platform, Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.9 and later, and Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9.3 and later.

.NET 8.0 is available on the **x64_64** (64-bit Intel/AMD), **aarch64** (64-bit ARM), **ppc64le** (64-bit IBM Power), and **s390x** (64-bit IBM Z) architectures.

.NET 8.0 is available on **x86_64**, **aarch64**, and **s390x** on Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8 and later.

Table 4.1. Supported deployment environments for .NET 8.0

Platform	Architecture	RPM	Repository
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8	AMD64 and Intel 64 (x86_64) IBM Z and LinuxONE (s390x) 64-bit ARM (aarch64) IBM Power (ppc64le)	dotnet-sdk-8.0	Appstream NOTE: The AppStream repositories are enabled by default in Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 9	AMD64 and Intel 64 (x86_64) IBM Z and LinuxONE (s390x) 64-bit ARM (aarch64) IBM Power (ppc64le)	dotnet-sdk-8.0	Appstream
OpenShift Container Platform 4.2 and later	IBM Z and LinuxONE (s390x) AMD64 and Intel 64 (x86_64)		
OpenShift Container Platform 4.10 and later	IBM Power (ppc64le) 64-bit ARM (aarch64)		

CHAPTER 5. CUSTOMER PRIVACY

Various Microsoft products have a feature that reports usage statistics, analytics, and various other metrics to Microsoft over the network. Microsoft calls this Telemetry. Red Hat is disabling telemetry because we do not recommend sending customer data to anyone without explicit permission.

CHAPTER 6. SUPPORT

Red Hat and Microsoft are committed to providing excellent support for .NET and are working together to resolve any problems that occur on Red Hat supported platforms. At a high level, Red Hat supports the installation, configuration, and running of the .NET component in Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL). Red Hat can also provide "commercially reasonable" support for issues we can help with, for example, NuGet access problems, permissions issues, firewalls, and application questions. If the issue is a defect or vulnerability in .NET, we actively work with Microsoft to resolve it.

.NET 8.0 is supported on RHEL 8.9 and later, RHEL 9.3 and later, and Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform versions 3.3 and later.

See [.NET Core Life Cycle](#) for information about the .NET support policy

6.1. CONTACT OPTIONS

There are a couple of ways you can get support, depending on how you are using .NET.

- If you are using .NET on-premises, you can contact either [Red Hat Support](#) or [Microsoft](#) directly.
- If you are using .NET in Microsoft Azure, you can contact either [Red Hat Support](#) or [Azure Support](#) to receive Integrated Support.

Integrated Support is a collaborative support agreement between Red Hat and Microsoft. Customers using Red Hat products in Microsoft Azure are mutual customers, so both companies are united to provide the best troubleshooting and support experience possible.

- If you are using .NET on IBM Z, IBM LinuxONE, or IBM Power, you can contact [Red Hat Support](#). If the Red Hat Support Engineer assigned to your case needs assistance from IBM, the Red Hat Support Engineer will collaborate with IBM directly without any action required from you.

6.2. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Here are four of the most common support questions for Integrated Support.

1. When do I access Integrated Support?
You can engage [Red Hat Support](#) directly. If the Red Hat Support Engineer assigned to your case needs assistance from Microsoft, the Red Hat Support Engineer will collaborate with Microsoft directly without any action required from you. Likewise on the Microsoft side, they have a process for directly collaborating with Red Hat Support Engineers.
2. What happens after I file a support case?
Once the Red Hat support case has been created, a Red Hat Support Engineer will be assigned to the case and begin collaborating on the issue with you and your Microsoft Support Engineer. You should expect a response to the issue based on [Red Hat's Production Support Service Level Agreement](#).
3. What if I need further assistance?
Contact [Red Hat Support](#) for assistance in creating your case or with any questions related to this process. You can view any of your open cases [here](#).
4. How do I engage Microsoft for support for an Azure platform issue?
If you have support from Microsoft, you can open a case using whatever process you typically would follow. If you do not have support with Microsoft, you can always get support from [Microsoft Support](#).

6.3. ADDITIONAL SUPPORT RESOURCES

The [Resources](#) page at [Red Hat Developers](#) provides a wealth of information, including:

- [Getting started documents](#)
- [Knowledgebase articles and solutions](#)
- [Blog posts](#)

.NET documentation is hosted on a Microsoft website. Here are some additional topics to explore:

- [.NET](#)
- [ASP.NET Core](#)
- [C#](#)
- [F#](#)
- [Visual Basic](#)

You can also see more support policy information at [Red Hat and Microsoft Azure Certified Cloud & Service Provider Support Policies](#).

CHAPTER 7. KNOWN ISSUES

The known issues for running .NET on Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) include the following:

1. **dotnet dev-certs https --trust** does not work on RHEL.
.NET supports the creation of HTTPS certificate through **dotnet dev-certs https**, but it does not support trusting them through **dotnet dev-certs https --trust**. The client that connects to the ASP.NET Core application, such as **curl** or Firefox, will warn about the untrusted self-signed certificate. To work around this in a browser such as Firefox, ignore the warning and trust the certificate explicitly when the warning about the untrusted certificate comes up. Command-line tools support flags to ignore untrusted certificates. For **curl**, use the **--insecure** flag. For **wget**, use the **--no-check-certificate** flag.
2. There are no NuGet packages for **ppc64le** and **s390x** on nuget.org.
Using the **rhel.8-s390x**, **linux-s390x**, **rhel.8-ppc64le**, or **linux-ppc64le** runtime identifier can cause some **dotnet** commands to fail when they try to obtain these packages. These commands are either not fully supported on **ppc64le** and **s390x** as described in the other known issues, or the issue can be fixed by not specifying the runtime identifier.
3. Single file applications are not supported on **ppc64le** or **s390x**.
4. PublishReadyToRun/crossgen is not supported on **ppc64le** or **s390x**.
5. OmniSharp, the language server used by IDEs like Visual Studio Code, is not available on **ppc64le** and **s390x**.
6. Several workloads not be installed in the .NET 8.0 shipped by Red Hat:
 - a. **android**
 - b. **macos**
 - c. **maui-android**
 - d. **maui-tizen**
 - e. **maui-windows**