

# Internet Explorer 11 deployment

at eT4L Schools – Fact Sheet

An upgrade to the Windows 7 Standard Operating Environment (SOE) will be deployed shortly to all schools running eT4L services. It will bring about a replacement of the Microsoft Internet Explorer (IE) browser, from IE9 to IE11. The local eT4L server will deliver the update automatically to all Windows 7 desktops and laptops that were commissioned by the F12 build function. The update will be seamless and requires no action on the part of users.

Internet Explorer 11 has been tested against all corporate applications and is now listed as the preferred and supported browser for the department's Windows computers. Touch-enabled laptops and tablets running Windows 8.1 already have IE11 as the default browser, so this upgrade brings all managed Windows computers in line with the same browser version.



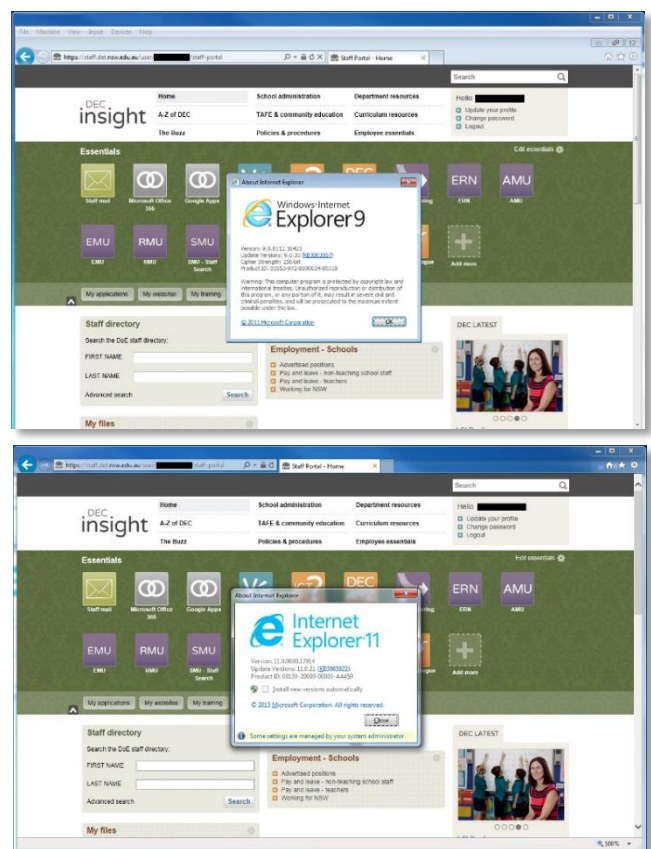
## The benefits of IE 11 include:

- **Faster browsing**, particularly with graphic-intensive web pages
- Better adherence to web standards, making IE11 **compatible with more websites**
- Improved **security and privacy** features
- Built-in **Spell Check function** to assist users with using Webmail or filling in forms on-line
- Total compatibility with **Google Apps** for Education, **Classroom** and **Drive**
- Is the recommended browser for **MS Office 365**, **Yammer** and **Sway**
- **Managed configuration** and **security patching** in eT4L schools via Group Policy and WSUS

## The differences between IE9 and IE11:

Aside from all the benefits shown at above, the visual differences between IE9 and IE11 are almost indistinguishable to the user.

All eT4L Schools to receive automatic upgrade from IE9 to IE11 on all managed Windows desktops and laptops



IE11 will be deployed automatically via Windows Update from **Monday, 7 September** with installation expected to all managed Windows computers over the following few days. A reboot will be required. **Non-eT4L schools** should deploy IE11 to their fleet using local processes, if they have not already done so.

## Further information:

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