

ITSM Migration Checklist

Thank you for downloading the ITSM migration checklist! Use this to guide your team through the ITSM migration process: from identifying what needs to change, all the way to go-live and post-launch support.



@ People involved

📅 Due date

1 Gap assessment

Evaluate where your current ITSM setup falls short.

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Document current ITSM processes (ticket flow, approvals, categories).

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Identify manual steps and recurring user complaints.

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Map key integrations and their purpose (e.g., monitoring tools, HRIS, asset inventory).

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Assess process maturity (e.g., ad hoc, repeatable, optimized).

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Run a gap analysis: compare current capabilities to desired outcomes.

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Define the main reasons for migration (e.g., performance, flexibility, cost).



**Optional deliverable: Summarized gap report for stakeholders.*



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Requirements definition

Clarify what you'll need in the new platform.

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Define project scope
(teams, processes, geographies).

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List core functions needed.

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Document integration needs
(e.g., SSO, LDAP, APIs, third-party apps).

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Identify automation priorities.

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Clarify performance expectations and
admin flexibility (e.g., no-code setup).

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Align internally on what can be
standardized vs. customized.



**Optional deliverable: Requirements list or checklist.*

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Vendor evaluation

Shortlist and select a tool that meets your
defined needs.

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Translate needs into an RFP or structured
evaluation checklist.

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Identify and contact potential vendors.

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Schedule demos using real or common
scenarios.

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Assess vendor fit based on functionality,
usability, support, and roadmap.

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Validate references or case studies
(if possible, from a similar org size or industry).

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Compare pricing models and licensing terms.

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Finalize selection and define
implementation timeline.



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Phased migration planning

Break the migration into smaller, controlled phases.

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Decide on your rollout approach (e.g., by team, process, or geography).


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Set success criteria for each phase.


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Coordinate with business units to avoid overlaps with peak periods.


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Create a cut-over calendar (what moves when).


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Prepare sandbox or staging environments for testing.


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Define change freezes and data migration windows.


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Plan communication checkpoints (internal updates, stakeholder sessions).



**Optional deliverable: Migration rollout calendar.*

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Implementation

Move processes, data, and configurations into the new system.

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Clean up outdated or redundant data before migration.


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Define data mapping rules (e.g., status types, user fields, SLAs).


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Run test migrations in a sandbox and validate record accuracy.


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Recreate workflows, automation, and notifications.


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Configure service catalogs, request forms, and access rules.


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Rebuild integrations (email, user provisioning, monitoring, asset tools).


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Run user acceptance tests (UAT) for critical paths.


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Finalize dashboards, SLAs, and reports for go-live.



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Training, cut-over & early support

Prepare users, transition to the new system, and stabilize.



Deliver training by role (support agents, team leads, requesters).



Provide quick reference materials or internal guides.



Announce go-live schedule and support resources internally.



Freeze changes in the legacy platform and perform final migration.



Launch the new system during the planned cut-over window.



Monitor adoption, ticket flow, and agent feedback in real time.



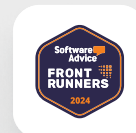
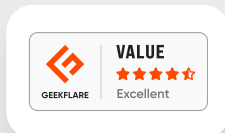
Capture any issues in a hypercare period (first 1–2 weeks post go-live).



Run a review to gather lessons learned and next steps.



**Optional deliverable: Internal training materials, go-live checklist, post-migration*

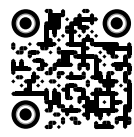


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