

9 Upgrade notes for 4.4.0

These notes are for upgrading from Zabbix 4.2.x to Zabbix 4.4.0. All notes are grouped into:

- **Critical** - the most critical information related to the upgrade process and the changes in Zabbix functionality
- **Informational** - all remaining information describing the changes in Zabbix functionality

It is possible to upgrade to Zabbix 4.4.0 from versions before Zabbix 4.2.0. See the [upgrade procedure](#) section for all relevant information about upgrading from previous Zabbix versions.

Critical

Jabber, Ez Texting media types removed

Jabber and Ez Texting [media types](#) for delivering notifications have been removed.

During the upgrade these media types, if present in your installation, will be transformed to a script media type with all relevant parameters preserved. However, notifications via Jabber and Ez Texting will not work any more.

Real-time export protocol changed

Real-time export protocol has been changed to handle host names.

Informational

Screen element removed from screens

Zabbix screens no longer support the possibility to display another screen as a screen element. After the upgrade, all screen cells containing another screen will be empty.

Changed host export format

The format of host/template export in XML/JSON has been changed. For more details, see [What's new in 4.4.0](#).

Items table split

Realtime fields have been split from the `items` table into a new table called `item_rtdata`. See also [What's new in 4.4.0](#).

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