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Stratusphere™ FIT Assessment Checklist

For detailed information on installation, features and functionality, and other management capabilities, refer to the *Stratusphere Installation & Configuration Guide* and the *Stratusphere FIT Quick Start Guide*, which can both be found in the Stratusphere Document Repository..

Basic Setup

Step	Task	Status
1.	**Install the Stratusphere Hub virtual appliances** Download the appliance format of your choice from https://www.liquidware.com/download and install the appliances on virtual hosts. Log in to the console of each appliance and follow the wizard to configure the appliance.	
2.	**Install Connector ID Key software on target desktops** Log in to the Administration module at `https://[hub-ip-address]` using default credentials of `ssadmin/sspassword`. Navigate to the **Hub Administration > Connector ID Keys** tab and download and distribute CID Keys to the desktops/users targeted for the Assessment.	
3.	**Confirm that Connector ID Keys are communicating with the Hub** After they are installed, log in to Stratusphere FIT and navigate to the **Inventory > Machines** tab and verify if all desktops have registered and that Last Contact Date is updating regularly.	
4.	**Configure Data Retention Summarized, Roll-up tables for faster performance** Log in to the Administration module at `https://[hub-ipordns-address]` using default credentials of `ssadmin/sspassword`. Navigate to the **Hub Administration > Data Retention > Settings** tab and enable and configure thresholds for summarized, roll-up tables for faster performance and long-term data retention.	
5.	**Set Connector ID Keys to auto-uninstall at end of data collection time period** Log in to Administration section and navigate to **Hub Administration > Connector ID Keys Properties**. Enable "Automatically uninstall Connection ID Key software…" and set it to "after X days" based on your chosen data collection period.	

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Key Assessment Capabilities & Features

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1	**Dashboard with overview of assessment progress and key metrics** Log in to Stratusphere FIT, observe the Assessment Dashboard, and click any Inspect links in widgets for details.	
2	**Import and/or create User Groups and Machine Groups for analysis** Log in to the Administration section and navigate to **Hub Administration > User Directories** to import users & groups using CSV/AD sync.	
3	**Automatic inventory of Machines, Users, and Applications** Navigate to **Inventory > Machines** and **Inventory > Users** to view details about them. Create groups within **Inventory > Machines** and **Inventory > Users** as well.	
4	**Configure VDI FIT Profile assessment rating system** Navigate to **Assessment > VDI FIT Profiles** and view or change thresholds and weightings of metrics. Recalculate as necessary and observe rating and color coding changes in **Assessement > Inspector** reports. Repeat as required to adjust for resource requirements of users.	
5	**Use Inspector Reports for assessing and analysis** Navigate to the **Assessment > Inspector** tab and run all the inspector reports to analyze, assess, understand, and rate users, machines, and applications for virtualization.	
6	**Run Stratusphere FIT reports** Navigate to the **Assessment > Reports** tab and run the following Report categories to get Assessment deliverable reports for users, machines, and applications: – FIT Assessment Reports (Pack 1 & 2) – FIT Discovery & Findings Reports – FIT Reports: Users, Machines, Applications	