

Automated Build & Release Management Quickstart (10 Days)

From Strategy to Solution – Driving Results



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Microsoft Visual Studio Team Foundation Server (TFS) is the collaboration platform at the core of Microsoft's application lifecycle management solution. TFS automates the software delivery process and gives you the tools you need to effectively manage software development projects throughout the IT lifecycle.

Imaginet's **10-day Automated Build & Release Management Quick Start** focuses on evaluating and maturing the build and release management capabilities of your organization using Microsoft Team Foundation Server. This Quick Start typically includes:

- Elicitation and envisioning about build & release management in your environment
- Determining the release management role impact to your Change Management, Project Management, Application Development, Quality Assurance, and Operations Management disciplines
- Configuration of your existing Team Foundation Server and TFS Build servers as appropriate
- Definition and guidance in build & release management practices at your organization
- Mentoring on build & release management processes, including tracking and change management, automated build, and deployment
- Initial adoption training for affected roles
- Go-Live support for initial adoption
- Enterprise rollout, training, and support planning/roadmap

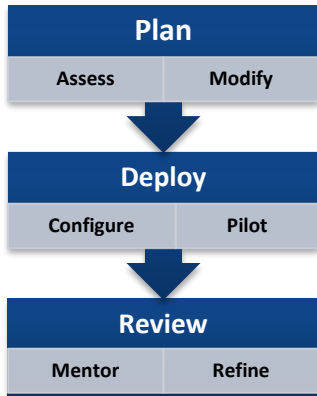
The Automated Build & Release Management Quick Start is designed to get your team up and running with Microsoft's automated build and deployment tools, as well as release management best practices. You may choose to do more comprehensive adoption through additional Quick Starts or other consulting services.

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Imaginet Quick Starts are performed in three distinct phases: Plan, Deploy and Review. In the Automated Build & Release Management Quick Start, this includes:



Plan – Assesses the current status and vision for build & release management. We work with your team to understand opportunities and choose a pilot application to target within your organization.

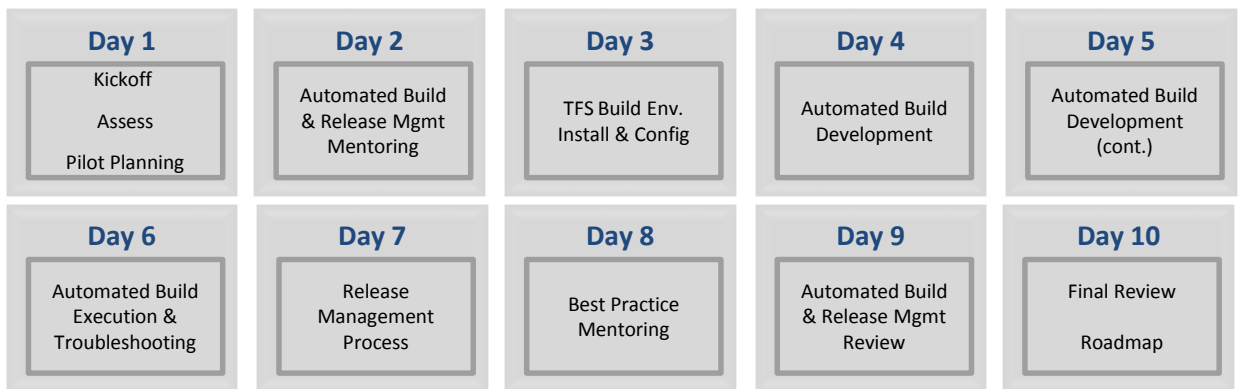
Deploy – Provides the optimal configuration for an operational TFS build & release environment configured for your specific organizational needs. We then provide the Best Practice Framework, Customized Training, Mentoring, and Support to ensure the success of TFS.

Review – Once successful, we work with you to establish further departmental or organizational adoption of build & release management. This includes plans for your team to continue forward with the pilot deployment, but also provides context for utilizing similar best practices throughout all your application projects.

This phased approach has proven successful with a variety of organizations, from small development organizations to the largest multi-national corporations.

Pre-Engagement Kick-Off

Environment Considerations – Pilot Project Considerations – Project Detail Overview



The benefits of Imaginet’s Automated Build & Release Management Quick Start include:

- **Experience.** Imaginet’s Visual Studio team have designed, deployed, and mentored organizations on Visual Studio and have real world experience with this tool.
- **Working TFS Environment.** Automated builds & release management is not an island, but rather an integral part of your overall application lifecycle. We understand both the details of the tools but also the impact across your entire application lifecycle.
- **Integrated Best Practices.** Our consultant will ensure that best practices are tailored for your environment and integrate with organizational processes throughout the project.
- **Just In Time Education.** Learn the skills you need for your environment with no lag between the learning and the implementation of knowledge.
- **Customized Tailored Learning.** Our consultant can focus on those topics that are most relevant to your environment, team, and solution rather than broad coverage of topics that may not be relevant.
- **Flexible Engagement Models.** Imaginet is there to do the work, assist and guide, but your team is ensured that they get the hands-on experience required to be successful.

