



Capacity-Default Validation Checklist

ENVIRONMENT

UPDATE / KB

DATE

REVIEWER

1 Workload and shared OS-service inventory

ONE ROW PER WORKLOAD

WORKLOAD	SHARED OS SERVICE IT DEPENDS ON	WINDOWS SERVER VERSION / BUILD	COUNT
e.g. Exchange Server	e.g. Endpoint Mapper (RPC)		

2 Default capacity value and authoritative source

CITE THE VENDOR

SERVICE / SETTING	DEFAULT VALUE	AUTHORITATIVE SOURCE (URL / KB / DATE)	CHANGED? Y / N / ?
e.g. Endpoint Lookup calls	512	e.g. MS release health, Oct 16 2026	

3 Observed peak, method, and evidence gaps

BLANK PEAK = GAP, NOT ZERO

SERVICE / SETTING	OBSERVED PEAK	MEASUREMENT METHOD (COUNTER / LOG / TRACE)	WINDOW COVERED	GAP? Y / N

4 Canary workload and representative-load test window

FROM YOUR OWN PEAK CYCLE

CANARY WORKLOAD / HOST		LOAD PROFILE REPLAYED OR OBSERVED	
WINDOW START	WINDOW END	SIGNALS WATCHED	
MITIGATION AGREED BEFORE START (IF ANY)			

5 Acceptance criteria, owner, and decision record

WRITE PASS / FAIL FIRST

ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA (PASS / FAIL, MEASURABLE)		
OWNER	APPROVER	DECISION DATE
DECISION ☐ Proceed ☐ Hold ☐ Mitigate (record rationale) Record location:		