Cloud Readiness Checklist

Area of Responsibility	Notes
Evaluate Which Workloads Can/Should Move	
Finance	
Operations	
Sales/Customer Service	
Payroll/Human Resources	
Reporting/BI	
Will Broadband Options Support A Cloud Deployment?	
Do you have/Can you get reliable, consistent Broadband with enough Capacity?	
Are there Secondary Broadband options available?	
Develop a Migration Plan	
Lift and Shift Strategy	
Test Migration Scenarios	
Performance and Uptime Requirements	
Security Requirements	
Financial Options	
Confirm Maintenance and Support Strategy	
Who's responsible for the Infrastructure?	
Who's responsible for the Application Management:	
Who handles End User Support?	
Understand Financial Impacts	
Is pricing fixed or variable?	
What happens when you need more resources:	
Are you Keeping your GP Perpetual License vs. Subscription?	
Establish Timelines for Each Phase of the Project	
Migration Process	
End User Validation	
Load Testing	
Production Cutover	

Cloud Migration Checklist

UNDERSTAND your requirements first.
Work with your Dynamics partner to develop a list of priorities that define your requirements.
Reach out to the UG community to get their input on what they've learned in their move to the Cloud.

CHOOSE a deployment model that aligns with your needs.

EVALUATE different service options.

KNOW what you want from your CSP.

COMPARE providers and service offerings.
Is pricing based on Consumption, Flat Rate, or per user?
How does pricing change if users or additional servers are added?
How long are the agreements and what is the process to change or exit?
Is Dynamics subscription licensing available to be included, or do you bring your own license?

ASK questions of the CSP and verify their responses. For example:

What does each service consist of exactly, and how is the service delivered?
What does the service provide with respect to security, system maintenance, disaster recovery, and what is the client responsible for?
How will the CSP provide ongoing evidence that security controls and system maintenance routines continue to be in place and are kept up to date?
What will the CSP commit to in writing?
Are other parties involved in the service delivery, security, or support?

DOCUMENT everything with your provider in written agreements—for example, SLAs / Terms of Service

REQUEST written assurances that security controls will be in place and maintained.

REVIEW the service and written agreements periodically to identify if anything has changed.

Vendor Comparison Checklist

Topic	Private Provider 1	Private Provider 2	Public Provider		
			Azure	Amazon	Google
Server Components					
Domain Controller					
Application Server					
SQL Server					
Web Server					
Backup					
Security Management					
Disaster Recovery Options/Costs					
RPO			RPO		
RTO			RTO		
Expansion Options					
Memory					
Storage					
Processors					
Additional Servers					
Licenses - Separate Cost or Included?					
Windows					
SQL Server					
Office					
Remote Desktop					
Citrix					
Virtualization Software (VMware)					
Printing Utilities (ThinPrint)					
Is pricing based on Consumption, Flat Rate, per Trx, or per user?					
How does pricing change if users or additional servers are added?					
How long are the agreements and what is the process to change or exit?					
Is Dynamics subscription licensing available to be included, or do you bring your own license?					
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