



# The new Anywhere Office benefits guide

Enabling teamwork with Surface





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# The new Anywhere Office

Remote work is no longer just for frontline workers or a rare work-from-home day. In this new reality, office employees and organizations are adapting to remote work—and the workplace is being redefined. Our reliance on technology has intensified, and the progression toward digital transformation continues to accelerate to meet the needs of this new work environment.





The physical office provides employees with an environment to connect and collaborate with others in person. The "Anywhere Office" gives employees that same opportunity for real-time connection and collaboration, but from anywhere, while also encouraging concentration, productivity, and creativity.

Organizations need to find a way to blur the lines between working on-site and off-site to ensure a more natural, dependable, and enjoyable user experience rather than one that feels disconnected and even draining. And everything—from the device itself to the apps it runs—must remain highly secure. The Anywhere Office is the new standard.

As they navigate the new Anywhere Office, organizations and employees are looking for answers.

- "How do I get my work done when I'm not in the office?"
- "How do I keep my work secure?"
- "How can I collaborate with my team and meet my deadlines?"
- "How can I be seen and heard when I'm not in the room?"

Business and IT leaders face the challenge of answering these questions with solutions that provide security for employees and drive growth for the organization. With the right combination of software and hardware, companies can meet the demands of the Anywhere Office. The platform for working remotely in a secure environment has been at the forefront of software and network development for years—and while the ability to provide this security is a large part of the solution, the devices used are just as necessary. These devices are the key to end users' enablement and sense of teamwork, wherever they are.

## Support your teams in the Anywhere Office

Regardless of who's working on-site and who's remote, teamwork comes to life for everyone with Microsoft Teams running on Surface. The clarity of HD video cameras paired with Studio Mics that pick up voices clearly ensures everyone is seen and heard as if they were in the same room.

Once barriers to collaboration are removed, your team needs to be ready to brainstorm. With Microsoft Whiteboard and Microsoft 365 apps, Surface devices bring ideas together, connecting team members and making it easy to contribute in real time.

With touchscreen and inking, the Surface interface improves productivity with natural, efficient ways of working, while Surface Pen adds freehand notes, illustrations, and accents to the creative process. Plus, when Surface devices are paired with Microsoft 365<sup>1</sup> Enterprise and cloud storage technologies, end users can save up to two hours per day across collaboration and productivity.<sup>2</sup> Everyone can accomplish more with devices that support the unique ways different people work.



# Use devices your teams love

People are empowered to succeed when they're using devices they love, and IT workers especially enjoy Surface devices because of their versatility and manageability. From a sleek design to powerful performance and flexible options, Surface helps team members tackle problems not just with one solution, but with the best solution.

And when those same team members have the freedom to work just as easily from their living rooms as from the front lines, they can focus on creativity—and organizations can stay competitive. The Anywhere Office means focusing on the results rather than the operational details.



## Get ultralight versatility with Surface Pro (Wi-Fi and LTE Advanced)

- More power and greater versatility team up in the classic, ultralight, and versatile 2-in-1 solution with optional LTE Advanced built in.
- Hear, be heard, and put your best face forward with Dolby® Atmos™, dual far-field Studio Mics and a front-facing 5.0 megapixel HD camera.
- The high-resolution 12.3" PixelSense™ Display touchscreen features ambient light sensing that automatically adjusts to lighting conditions.



## Harness powerhouse performance with Surface Book

- Performance meets versatility—speed, graphics, and long battery life pair with the flexibility of a robust laptop, processor-powered tablet, and portable studio.
- Speed through software like Autodesk® AutoCAD®, Dassault SOLIDWORKS™, and Adobe® Creative Cloud®, and code quickly in Microsoft Visual Studio.<sup>3</sup>
- Get up to 17.5 hours of battery life and get back to work with improved standby that extends battery life for days.<sup>4</sup>



## Do it all with Surface Laptop

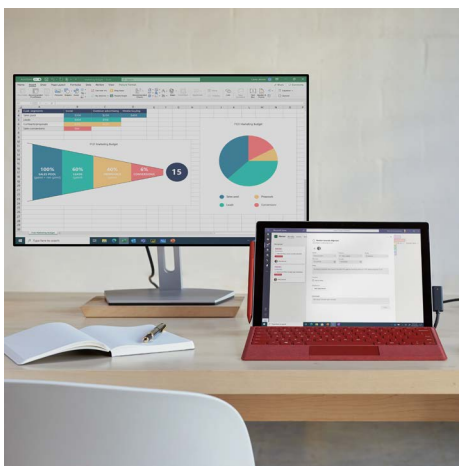
- Run the professional-grade apps you depend on to get your job done with performance, speed, and multitasking power.
- Sleek, ultrathin design comes in 13.5" or 15" screen sizes and a choice of two durable keyboard finishes: warm Alcantara® or cool metal.
- Look your best in video calls with a camera that works in tough lighting conditions, and be heard clearly in meetings with Studio Mics that capture your voice, not your background noise.

See the full Surface portfolio of devices [!\[\]\(0d5ec72f61334709c3fc9450209b754f\_img.jpg\)](#)





## Simplify IT with modern device management



IT leaders must adapt the process of selecting and deploying configured devices to the Anywhere Office. Surface devices with Microsoft 365 can reduce IT complexity so both IT staff and end users can focus on getting their work done faster and more efficiently. Even better, Surface devices are engineered to integrate with and optimize Windows 10 and Microsoft 365 software security provisions.

Introducing Surface devices in the Anywhere Office reduces IT complexity, improves IT efficiency, and lowers overhead and support costs. With Surface devices preconfigured with Windows 10, you can implement new, agile device deployment and management methods. For example, deployments can be radically streamlined using Windows Autopilot zero-touch experience and unified management, which eliminates time-intensive reimaging by shipping and deploying Surface devices straight to end users. With Microsoft 365-powered Surface devices, application updates require approximately 3.25 hours less time to complete per device, while help desk call times can decrease on average 75%.<sup>1</sup>

Managing a Surface device is even easier than before for IT teams, right down to the base layer; they can be more proactive than ever before and keep firmware up to date with Microsoft Endpoint Configuration Manager. The Configuration Manager client delivers the ability to synchronize and deploy Surface firmware and driver updates, while Microsoft Intune lets administrators see all the managed, co-managed, and partner-managed devices in one place. Finally, IT teams can remain confident that data won't be exposed even when a device is lost or stolen, as the Surface firmware interface blocks unauthorized reimaging attempts.

Security is a high priority for the Anywhere Office—so IT and end users alike can rest easy knowing that it's built into every layer of Surface devices, from the operating system to the firmware adopted from a Microsoft open-source UEFI.<sup>5</sup> Surface powered by Microsoft 365 improves enterprise security to reduce both remediation costs and security breaches, all without impacting workforce productivity or employee experience.<sup>2</sup> When users connect from Surface devices to apps in the cloud or on-premises, Microsoft 365 Conditional Access better verifies identity, app, data, and risk signals before allowing access to data, bringing added security and peace of mind.

With flexible form factors and Microsoft 365, Surface devices help team members stay in their flow. They also enable IT to enhance security, gain efficiencies through simplified device deployment and management, and, consequently, generate overall savings for the business.







## From modern workplace to Anywhere Office

As corporate and IT leaders navigate the changing landscape of business, they're also reimagining the future of work. The new Anywhere Office reveals people working from the physical office one day, at home the next, occasionally at a customer site, or sometimes completely offsite.

Leaders realize productivity relies heavily on enabling people to work in ways most natural for them. And empowering teams to collaborate and brainstorm beyond the sole confines of a physical conference room—when done well—opens the door for greater inclusivity and more significant results.

The Anywhere Office thrives with a portfolio of versatile devices optimized for the software experiences people rely on every day. Unlock the potential of your teams with Surface devices.

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- <sup>1</sup> Software license required for some features. Sold separately.
- <sup>2</sup> Maximizing Your ROI From Microsoft 365 Enterprise With Microsoft Surface, a commissioned Total Economic Impact™ study conducted by Forrester Consulting, July 2020.
- <sup>3</sup> Software listed is sold separately.
- <sup>4</sup> Up to 17.5 hours of battery life based on typical Surface device usage. Testing conducted by Microsoft in April 2020 using preproduction software and preproduction configurations of Surface Book 3 15" Intel® Core™ i7, 256GB, 16 GB RAM. Testing consisted of full battery discharge with a mixture of active use and modern standby. The active use portion consists of (1) a web browsing test accessing 8 popular websites over multiple open tabs, (2) a productivity test utilizing Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel and Outlook, and (3) a portion of time with the device in use with idle applications. All settings were default except screen brightness was set to 150nits with Auto-Brightness disabled. Wi-Fi was connected to a network. Battery life varies significantly with settings, usage and other factors.
- <sup>5</sup> Surface Go and Surface Go 2 use a third-party UEFI and do not support DFCI. DFCI is currently available for Surface Laptop Go, Surface Book 3, Surface Laptop 3, Surface Pro 7, and Surface Pro X. Find out more about managing Surface UEFI settings at <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/surface/manage-surface-uefi-settings>.