# Novell's SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server Support Product Lifecycle (As of October 4, 2005)

## **Product Support Lifecycles**

Novell's Product Support Lifecycle provides consistent and predictable support availability guidelines, allowing you to effectively plan and manage your support needs. This lifecycle model took effect on 3 August 2005 and applies to SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server.



## **Platform & Operating System Products**

Novell will provide a minimum of five years' General Support for platform and operating systems products, including its revisions, starting with the date of a product's general availability. When General Support ends, Novell will offer extended support for a minimum of two years.

Platform and Operating System products include NetWare, Novell Small Business Suite, Novell Linux Desktop, Novell Linux Point of Service, SUSE<sup>™</sup> LINUX Enterprise Server and Open Enterprise Server (OES).

## SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server Support Lifecycle

Product Name	Gen. Support End Date	Ext. Support End Date	Self-support End Date	Current Version	Replacement Product
SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server 8	30 Nov 2007	Not Offered	19 Nov 2012	SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server 8 SP4	SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server 9
SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server 9	30 Jul 2009	30 Jul 2011	30 Jul 2014	SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server 9 SP2	

## Lifecycle details:

**General Support** 

- Free and fee-based support options, including warranty support, incident support, annual support programs, and technical subscriptions.
- Software maintenance as outlined in the Novell Software maintenance policy.
- The ability to request product and feature enhancements.

## **Extended Support**

- Fee-based support options.
- Software maintenance as outlined in the Novell Software maintenance policy.