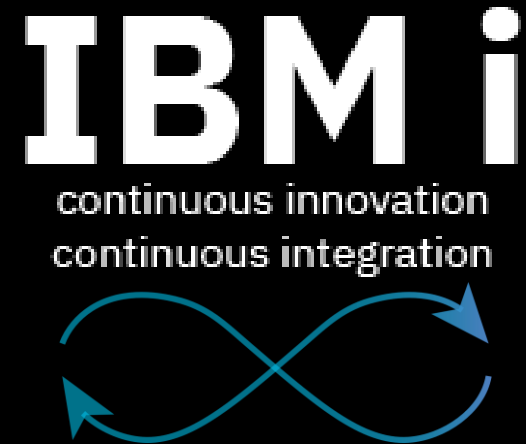# IBM Backup, Recovery and Media Services for i – Subscription Term (5770-BR2)

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Why the change to BRMS licensing strategy?

- **Change to IBM i Group SWMA strategy**
  - Historical approach had a group of separately charged LPPs which were included in IBM i Group SWMA
  - Now the strategy and roadmap is to remove separately charged Licensed Program Products (LPPs) from IBM i Group SWMA
  - IBM i and the separately charged LPPs (BRMS, PowerHA SystemMirror, Db2 Mirror, Rational Development Studio)…
    - Will be offered as subscription: license & support incorporated into the license

- **BRMS Subscription Term (5770-BR2)…**
  - includes the base, advanced, and network features that were formerly separately acquired with 5770-BR1
  - is provided at one price per core regardless of software tier
  - includes all 5770-BR1 function. Future enhancements, including the UI, will be in 5770-BR2
  - can coexist on the same serial number: in a given partition, a client can have 5770-BR1 or 5770-BR2 but cannot install and use both in one partition
  - can coexist in the same network as 5770-BR1

Why the change to BRMS licensing strategy?, continued

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- **Customer benefit**
  - The shift to subscription enables IBM to increase investment and time to market for BRMS enhancements
  - The list price of $400 (USD)/core/year is very reasonable when considering similar products & pricing

- **Simplification**
  - All function is in a single offering with no tiering
  - All new function is available only in 5770-BR2
  - 5770-BR2 replaces 5770-BR1 in the IBM i portfolio: the move requires removing 5770-BR1 from marketing
    [27 August 2024 - IBM announces withdrawal from marketing and change in service of BRMS (5770-BR1)](#)
  - 5770-BR1 support shifts to usage and known-defect support, effective 1 October 2025

BRMS Value Proposition

Automation

- Provides backup/recovery centralized management and automation
  - Compared to manual processes (not feasible in most cases), BRMS saves many hours of administration, and, as important, minimizes human error
- Provides the ability to save production data to media while tracking source and destiny location, history, what/when/where/who, as well as security profile management
- When used with IBM FlashCopy, is part of the backup automation process of which most of our large and medium clients take advantage

BRMS Subscription Term

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	Non-expiring	Subscription Term	Product IDs
Backup, Recovery and Media Services (BRMS)	5770-BR1 BRMS SWMA is under IBM i Group SWMA Per server, price based on tier Base feature required, Advanced & Network features optional	5770-BR2 License & SWMA are always combined in Subscription Per core: One price regardless of tier - List price is $400/core/year 90 day or 1/2/3/4/5 year terms Consolidated Base & Advanced & Network features – all are provided on one order IBM i 7.4 or 7.5	5770-BR2: license PID Subscription PIDs: 5666-BSL: 90 days 5661-BSL: 1 year 5662-BSL: 2 year 5663-BSL: 3 year 5664-BSL: 4 year 5665-BSL: 5 year

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5770-BR2 Additional Information

- **Software Licensing**
  - In a partition, license to the allocation of IBM i processor entitlements. 5770-BR2 is not licensed to the specific cores used by BRMS, but, instead, licensed for the IBM i workload which is being backed up.
    - E.g.: a partition has 4 IBM i entitlements.
      - License 5770-BR2 for quantity = 4, regardless of the number of cores which BRMS is using

  - [BRMS (5770-BR2) 7.5 license terms](#)
  - [BRMS (5770-BR2) 7.4 license terms](#)

- **Migration from 5770-BR1 to 5770-BR2**: see **[BRMS (5770-BR2) Installation](#)**
  - Migration steps, including saving the QUSRBRM library (the BRMS database) before deleting 5770-BR1
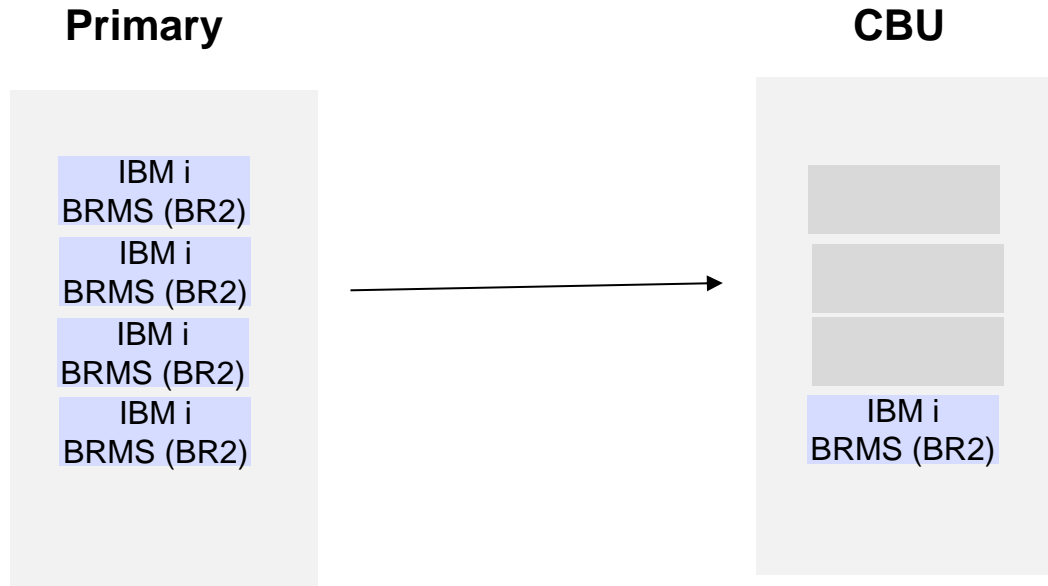
- **5770-BR2 in Power Private Cloud with Dynamic Capacity (Enterprise Pools 2, EP 2.0)**
  - For the LPPs other than PowerHA for i, the licensing is the same whether the machine is in an EP 2.0 configuration or not: the standard software license terms for each LPP applies, and the client acquires one of the following on each machine in the EP 2.0 where the LPP is used:
    - temporary keys for LPPs if the machine in the EP 2.0 is a qualifying CBU for i machine
    - 5770-BR2 entitlement for peak capacity that you'll run on each machine in the EP 2.0

Capacity Backup (CBU) for IBM i and BRMS (5770-BR2)

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Primary

CBU

Example of a primary machine with one partition with 4 cores of IBM i and 5770-BR2

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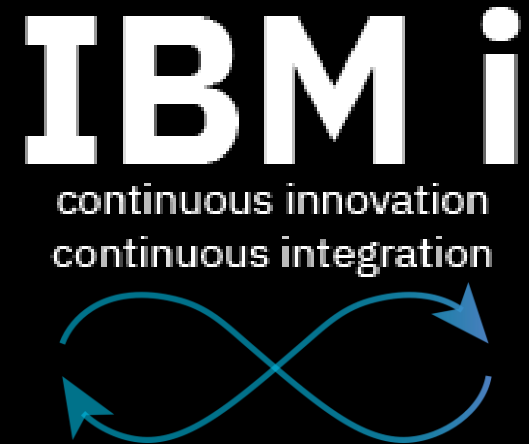BRMS (5770-BR2) on the primary: licensed quantity = 4

BRMS (5770-BR2) on the CBU:
- Licensed quantity = 1
- CBU temp key quantity = 4

- The primary system is registered to a CBU server with one partition
- The CBU has a minimum of one IBM i processor entitlement licensed (more as required to support workload)
- The CBU has a minimum of one BRMS (5770-BR2) entitlement licensed
- Primary and CBU are owned by the same enterprise
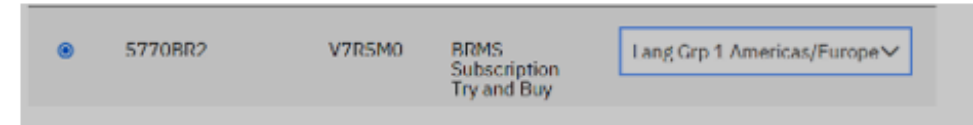
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Frequently Asked Questions

FAQs

Q: Can I download BRMS 5770-BR2 for evaluation?

A: Yes. On the [Entitled Systems Support (ESS) web site](#)
My Entitled Software > IBM i Evaluation and NLV Download:

To download this product for evaluation, go to:

-My Entitled Software -> IBM i Evaluation and NLV Download, check 5770BR2 V7R5 (or V7R4M0) and select the required Lang. group, hit Continue

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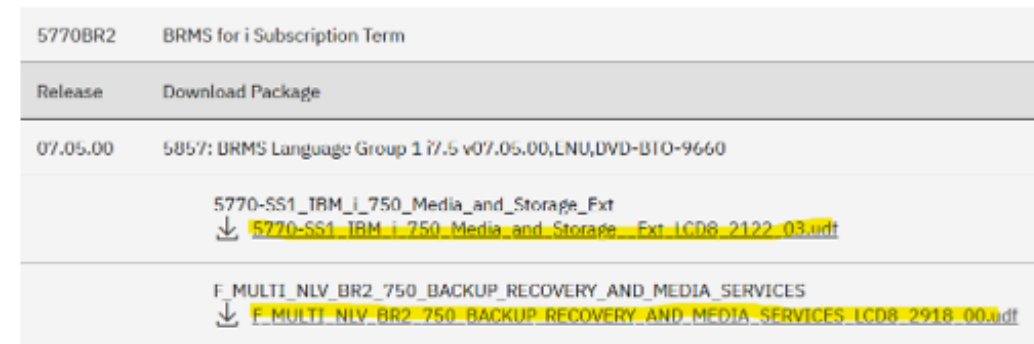
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FAQs

Q: Does IBM offer conversion pricing from 5770-BR1 to 5770-BR2?
A: No. IBM does not offer conversion pricing for 5770-BR1 to 5770-BR2.
Since 5770-BR1 was covered under IBM i Group SWMA, many clients purchased licenses for 5770-BR1 in
previous years and then acquired updates and upgrades at no additional charge with their IBM i Group SWMA.

Q: What if, before the withdrawal announcement, I purchased or renewed my IBM i Group SWMA for some extended years? Can I still get fix support for 5770-BR1 for the duration of my IBM i Group SWMA contract?
A: Clients can continue to use 5770-BR1 indefinitely since the license is non-expiring. The clients with IBM i Group
SWMA contracts will have the following service schedule, as announced. In addition, for releases that are under
Service Extension, clients with IBM i Group SWMA should acquire Service Extension in order to get the benefits: e.g.
calling IBM Support is provided under Service Extension.
- Standard support is available through 09/30/2025.
- Usage and known defect support for 5770-BR1 starts 10/01/2025.

If clients need defect support after 10/01/2025, they should acquire 5770-BR2.

Q: 5770-BR1 will change service starting 10/01/2025 to usage and known-defect support. Do I need to stop using 5770-BR1 starting 10/01/2025?
A: No. Current clients using 5770-BR1 can continue to use the product since they have a non-expiring license. Clients
who have IBM i Group SWMA can call IBM Support for usage and known-defect support.

FAQs

Q: Can I use both 5770-BR1 and 5770-BR2 on the same system?
A: While a client can have 5770-BR1 or 5770-BR2 on one machine serial number, you cannot install and use both BR1 and BR2 in the same partition.

Q: Where do I find migration information from BR1 to BR2?
A: See BRMS (5770-BR2) Installation

Q: How do I license 5770-BR2 in Power Enterprise Pools (PEP) 2.0?
A: Refer to chart 6 "5770-BR2 in Power Private Cloud with Dynamic Capacity (Enterprise Pools 2, EP 2.0)"

Q: Is 5770-BR2 offered in the IBM i Service Provider Monthly Licensing Offering?
A: No. Service Providers should acquire licenses of 5770-BR2 for their clients.

Q: Since IBM i 7.5 is the last release to deliver 5770-BR1, will my 5770-BR1 be deleted when I upgrade my software to the next release after IBM i 7.5?
A: 5770-BR1 will not be deleted when a client upgrades from IBM i 7.5 to a future release. Since 5770-BR1 has not been tested on release after IBM i 7.5, 5770-BR1 on an as-is (not supported, unwarranted) basis for releases after IBM i 7.5.

FAQs

Q: Can I transfer 5770-BR2 to another machine in my enterprise?

A: 5770-BR2 is fulfilled as follows:

  1) License PID: 5770-BR2: the license PID can be transferred from machine to machine within the enterprise

  2) Subscription portion of BRMS is fulfilled with one of the following:

- Brand SWMA is fulfilled on the initial order with one of the following to match the initial term ordered:
  - 5666-BSL: 90 days
  - 5661-BSL: 1 year
  - 5662-BSL: 2 year
  - 5663-BSL: 3 year
  - 5664-BSL: 4 year
  - 5665-BSL: 5 year

  Can brand SWMA be transferred? Brand SWMA can be transferred from machine to machine within the enterprise and within the country.   The transfer occurs manually via the distributor submitting a request to Q2C.

- TLS SWMA (via the Conga contracting system)

  Can TLS SWMA be transferred? TLS SWMA can be terminated on the donor machine, a refund issued if eligible per the TLS contract terms. Then a new TLS contract is started on the target machine.

Q: Where do I find migration information from BR1 to BR2?

A: See [BRMS (5770-BR2) Installation](#)

Additional Resources