How to Achieve Cloud Verified
A Step by Step Guide for Partners

1. Ensure you are an active VMware Cloud Provider partner in good standing. All partners with a contract level above 360 points are eligible to apply for Cloud Verified.

2. Create or update your profile page by completing the following: Log in with partner ID, Select Dashboard, then select Manage Account/Listing Page. Update details on both tabs. Select Save Draft then click Submit for Approval.
   Note your profile page will not be published until your usage meter report (see steps 7-8) is received & validated by VMware.

3. Deploy the full Cloud Provider Platform core products on-premises (vCloud Director, vSphere, NSX and vSAN*), which can be easily deployed through Cloud Provider Pod with 1-click or through a DIY approach that follows the VMware Validated Designs for Cloud Providers or deploy VMware Cloud Foundation. "vSAN can be deployed as resource cluster storage or in support of environment as the storage for Management Cluster.

4. Visit https://vcloudvalidation.com/cloud_verified, fill out the application and submit it.

5. Upon contract commitment validation, VMware will send you an email with instructions on product usage submission via Usage Meter.

6. Respond to the email and include the Usage Meter report for VMware approval.

7. Upon VMware verification of required products via the Usage Meter report, the Cloud Verified welcome email will be sent to you (includes hi-res Cloud Verified badge for use on your website and marketing properties and a description of available marketing activities).

8. Upon achieving Cloud Verified, your logo will be featured on cloudverified.cloud and link to your company profile on the VMware Cloud Provider page.

9. Maintain a website landing page noting that a specific service offering(s) and data center(s) are Cloud Verified.
   Note: Cloud Verified applies to the specific service(s) and data center(s) where the Cloud Verified service is installed and running. Partner must submit a Usage Meter report for each location they wish to be noted as Cloud Verified.

10. Upon Cloud Verified achievement the Cloud Verified logo is valid for a period of 18 months, after which Cloud Providers will be required to re-validate their Cloud Verified service to ensure adherence to one of the two (2) latest versions of VMware Validated Designs for Cloud Providers. After 18 months, VMware will request Usage Meter reports for each data center location to re-validate that Cloud Providers are using all core components specified in one of the two (2) latest version of VMware Validated Designs for Cloud Providers. The re-validation process is in place in order to ensure our Cloud Providers are offering services based on the most recent Cloud Provider platform.