

# Release Management Overview

## Release Management

Sakai release support is subject to the availability of community and volunteer resources. Generally this will include the current release and prior releases for which there is a sufficiently large institutional user base. The [Sakai Core Team](#) maintains an email list at [sakai-core@apereo.org](mailto:sakai-core@apereo.org) (<mailto:sakai-core@apereo.org>)

Implementers are encouraged to deploy Sakai release tags or source or binary artifacts. A number of schools use maintenance branch code in production in order to pick up bug fixes as they become available. The project teams providing fixes provide a minimal level of testing, however, a great deal of community QA is achieved for each fix by relying on the local QA processes of organizations preparing the fixes for deployment to production. (See the [Release Practice Guidelines](#) for further information on how and what goes into these branches.)

## Process and Practice

Links to documentation describing important aspects of Sakai's release management practices and processes:

- [Release Practice Guidelines](#) - Community expectations and practices surrounding the management of the various Sakai release and branch types (i.e., Major Release, Maintenance Branches, Maintenance Releases, Jira Branches, Feature Branches, and Trunk). (See also [Jira Guidelines](#).)
- [Security Guidelines](#) - Our policy for reporting, handling, and resolving security related issues in Sakai.
- [Release Management Meetings](#) - Generally weekly discussions of how work on releases and maintenance branches is proceeding.
- [Tool and Service Scorecards](#) - A "Scorecard Working Group" formed to tackle the issue of how to improve upon the current Core/Provisional/Contrib Tool Status system and its criteria. The goal being a scorecard-like system to provide the release team with guidance on what to include in a release, and organizations deploying Sakai a comparative evaluation of tools' and services' capabilities.

## Release Management Documents

## Release Calendar

## Community-supported Releases

Version	Latest	Date	Issues	Maint. Branch
<a href="#">Sakai 2.8</a>	<a href="#">2.8.2</a>	04 Jun 2012	<a href="#">Jira</a>	2.8.x
<a href="#">Sakai 2.7</a>	<a href="#">2.7.2</a>	13 Sep 2011	<a href="#">Jira</a>	2.7.x

Starting with Sakai 2.6 low-level services have been repackaged as the Sakai "kernel" and are now released independently.

Version	Latest	Date	Issues	Maint. Branch
Kernel 1.2 (Sakai 2.8)	<a href="#">1.2.8</a>	04 Jun 2012	<a href="#">Jira</a>	
Kernel 1.1 (Sakai 2.7)	<a href="#">1.1.10</a>	7 Dec 2010	<a href="#">Jira</a>	

## Unsupported Releases

These prior versions of Sakai are no longer supported or recommended for production use.

Version	EOL	Final Release	Issues	Maint. Branch
Sakai 2.6	13 April 2011	<a href="#">2.6.3</a>	<a href="#">Jira</a>	<a href="#">2.6.x</a>
Sakai 2.5	11 June 2010	<a href="#">2.5.6</a>	<a href="#">Jira</a>	<a href="#">2.5.x</a>
Sakai 2.4	22 Jul 2009	<a href="#">2.4.1</a>	<a href="#">Jira</a>	<a href="#">2.4.x</a>
Sakai 2.3	25 Mar 2008	<a href="#">2.3.2</a>	<a href="#">Jira</a>	<a href="#">2.3.x</a>
Sakai 2.2	21 May 2007	<a href="#">2.2.3</a>	<a href="#">Jira</a>	<a href="#">2.2.x</a>
Sakai 2.1	3 Nov 2006	<a href="#">2.1.2</a>	<a href="#">Jira</a>	<a href="#">2.1.x</a>
Sakai 2.0	19 Jul 2006	<a href="#">2.0.1</a>	<a href="#">Jira</a>	
Sakai 1.5	3 Jan 2006	<a href="#">1.5.1</a>	<a href="#">Jira</a>	
Sakai 1.0	3 Jan 2006	<a href="#">1.0.0</a>		