

Optimize Microsoft 365 with Arctera Enterprise Vault

Advanced information governance for Microsoft 365.

Businesses worldwide are rapidly adopting Microsoft 365, which has become the fastest-growing cloud application globally. Microsoft reports that 80% of Fortune 500 companies have incorporated Microsoft Office 365 into their operations, and the user base for Microsoft Teams has surpassed 300 million¹. While Microsoft 365 offers great value for seamless productivity and enhanced collaboration, eDiscovery and compliance are major concerns for modern businesses due to evolving regulatory landscapes. Some organizations find the features of Microsoft 365 insufficient to tackle these complex challenges.

How can a Third-Party Archive Optimize Your Microsoft 365 Investment?

Simply stated, archiving is for enterprises that need to quickly produce information for legal discovery and/or compliance purposes. These organizations want to know their Microsoft 365 data is immutably captured, indexed and available for search and export when required in connection with a legal matter or compliance audit.

The exponential growth in information within organizations requires them to:

- Immutably preserve emails and all communication content
- Quickly search indexed information with full confidence in its integrity
- Rapidly export search results in the event of a legal discovery request or compliance audit

With Microsoft 365, you are selecting a best-in-breed communication and collaboration tool, but you may not want your primary mail platform to also serve as an archive. Many Microsoft 365 administrators are maintaining or implementing a third-party archive because they wish to avoid vendor lock-in when they migrate to Microsoft 365. Avoiding vendor lock-in also provides more bargaining power as well as added protection against future cost increases.

Next-Level Information Governance

Using a third-party archive with Microsoft 365 provides a centralized repository for a wide variety of content sources. When your organization receives a legal or compliance request, you can use a third-party archive to:

- Immutably capture information via journaling and fully index and classify it
- Quickly locate and restore information
- Archive all content sources (not just Microsoft 365)
- Meet global privacy requirements using classification capabilities and more

Why Arctera Insight Information Governance and eDiscovery?

With Arctera archiving solutions, Microsoft 365 users experience seamless integration and enhanced archiving capabilities tailored to their needs. Here's why organizations choose Arctera:

- **Customizable Compliance:** Set up retention, compliance enforcement, and supervision to match your company and regulatory policies for personalized solutions that meet specific requirements.
- **Simplified Discovery:** Use predefined workflows for non-technical users to simplify discovery and litigation readiness. Efficiently assign reviewers to manage workloads and speed up matter reviews.
- **Comprehensive Capture:** Securely capture over 120 content sources to protect archived information from tampering and ensure compliance with regulations.
- **Expert Maintenance:** Rely on our information governance infrastructure experts for regular maintenance and feature updates. Our focus on legal discovery and compliance ensures continuous improvement to meet evolving needs.

Reasons why Microsoft 365 administrators prioritize Arctera:

- **Seamless Integration:** Arctera seamlessly integrates with Microsoft 365, enhancing collaboration and workflow efficiency.
- **User-Friendly Experience:** Our intuitive interface is designed for non-technical personnel, ensuring smooth adoption and usage across the organization.
- **Advanced Governance:** Benefit from advanced information governance capabilities, including tagging based on classification policy, empowering efficient data management.
- **Streamlined Discovery Workflow:** Built-in discovery workflows with intuitive matter and reviewer management capabilities expedite the discovery process, saving time and resources.
- **Consolidated Repository:** Enjoy greater peace of mind knowing that multiple content sources are retained in a single, searchable location, enhancing accessibility and compliance readiness.

Microsoft 365 vs Arctera: Archiving Comparison

Arctera provides the functionality organizations need to meet their data preservation and discovery obligations. The following table highlights the differences between Arctera's archiving and discovery solutions and Microsoft 365 in more detail:

Arctera	Microsoft 365
Immutable records...simple, fast and efficient.	No journaling...difficult and labor-intensive.
Journals an immutable copy of all the organization's emails to a secure, independent cloud-based archive. Even if a message is deleted by a user, there's always a copy stored in the archive according to the organization's retention policies.	Users can delete and modify messages from their In-Place Archive. To preserve all email, all users must be on legal hold (not just those who are actually required to be). This "legal hold everything" approach can be a burden on IT and can render the organization's retention policies obsolete.
Journaling captures not only the original message, but also information about the sender and all recipients, including Bcc and distribution list recipients. This information is discoverable during searches of both the senders' and recipients' archives.	Without a legal hold, it is impossible to accurately determine who actually received the email. This inability could make the eDiscovery process slow, unreliable and prone to false positives, resulting in too much data to review and added cost.
Real-time iterative search functionality enables searches to be refined "in-progress" until users achieve the desired dataset. This approach offers significant time savings when building a complex query.	Offers form-based search functionality across up to 10,000 mailboxes, but no search-within-a-search capability. Instead, users must go back and rebuild the search form until they achieve the desired dataset.

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Preserves and discovers content archived from Exchange Online/Server and Domino emails, SharePoint/OneDrive files, Teams instant messages, and over 130 other content sources.	Can only preserve (via legal hold) and discover O365 content.

Better Together for Improved Governance:

With Arctera's comprehensive archiving and discovery solutions you can:

- Confidently capture over 130 different information sources
- Produce fast eDiscovery search results
- Apply instant legal holds with ease
- Seamlessly migrate between messaging platforms and avoid vendor lock-in
- Avoid hidden administrative costs related to license management and reduce the risk of human error through streamlined automation

For more information, see visit [Arctera Information Governance](#).

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About Arctera

Arctera, a business unit of Cloud Software Group, is the leading global provider of compliance and governance solutions that enable firms to unleash game-changing technologies into their organizations while minimizing risk. Created in 2024 from Veritas Technologies, Arctera helps the biggest companies in the world monitor and control exactly how their information is being accessed, used and shared. The Arctera Insight Platform is able to capture data from over 130+ different content sources, and more than 280 AI policies help firms streamline compliance and adapt to evolving regulations.