

# OpenVPN Server- START HERE

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To understand why OpenVPN server is needed, read [OpenVPN Server Overview](#).

For the requirements prior to installing OpenVPN Server, read [OpenVPN Server Requirements](#).

## Configuration Process

1. The OpenVPN server image provided by Vertical must have a server to run on. There are two options:
  - a. Build a VMWare Hypervisor from scratch (see [Install OpenVPN Server Virtual Machine \(VM\)](#)).
  - b. Install on an existing Hypervisor implementation.
2. The next question is which OpenVPN method will be used (see [Choosing OpenVPN Server method](#) to help make the choice).
  - a. To configure the Wave IP for Vertical OpenVPN: Off-Wave see [Configuring Vertical OpenVPN: Off-Wave](#).
  - b. To configure the Wave IP for OpenVPN: Custom Deployment see the [Wave OpenVPN Server Guide](#) for that process.  
**NOTE:** *This is the current guide though it says Wave 4.0. The process has not changed.*
3. Configure VPN phones. Do not configure phones until after Step 2 has been accomplished and the Wave and VPN server are already configured.
  - a. To configure VPN Phones when using Vertical OpenVPN: Off-Wave see [Configure VPN Phones using Wave IP for Vertical OpenVPN: Off-Wave](#).
  - b. To configure VPN Phones when using OpenVPN: Custom Deployment see [Configure VPN Phones using Wave IP for OpenVPN: Custom Deployment](#).
4. Configure ViewPoint Mobile phones to use the softphone.
5. Test phones.

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