

SQL Server → PostgreSQL Migration Pack

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Document	Cutover checklist (16 checks)
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CHECKS**Checks**

Tick only with evidence attached.

- ☐ **Cutover window signed**
Business owners signed the window per workload; no verbal agreements.
- ☐ **Freeze communicated**
Change freeze announced; all stakeholders know the window and the comms channel.
- ☐ **Final backup taken**
Full backup of source immediately before cutover; restore verified recently.
- ☐ **Replication lag at zero**
CDC lag confirmed at/near zero and stable before stopping writes.
- ☐ **Applications quiesced**
Write traffic drained or paused per the application plan; in-flight transactions completed.
- ☐ **Final sync complete**
Last CDC batch applied; reconciliation checklist green.
- ☐ **Validation harness green**
Row counts, checksums, and smoke queries pass on the target.
- ☐ **Connection flip sequenced**
DNS, connection strings, secrets, and firewall rules flipped in the documented order.
- ☐ **Who flips what**
Named person per flip step; no step assigned to 'the team'.
- ☐ **Smoke tests pass**
Application smoke tests green on PostgreSQL before traffic is declared live.
- ☐ **Monitoring live**
Dashboards and alerts on the target confirmed firing before the window closes.
- ☐ **Rollback decision point**
Explicit time by which rollback is decided; decision maker named and reachable.
- ☐ **Comms sent**
Go-live communicated to users and support with known-issue list.
- ☐ **Old system secured**
Source set read-only (not dropped) until the rollback window expires.
- ☐ **Post-cutover watch**
Hypercare staffing and escalation defined for the first 48 hours.



Decommission scheduled

Source decommission date, license true-down, and retention handling scheduled.