

SAM PORTAL

A unique solution - set to revolutionize the way organizations manage, control and protect their software assets



License Dashboard SAM Portal is the first comprehensive end-to-end solution for managing software assets. Powered by the world-leading software license management system, License Dashboard™, this easy-to-use interface enables any organization to take control of the full ISO/IEC 19770-1 Software Asset Management (SAM) lifecycle.

With software taking up an ever-increasing share of an organization's IT budget, it is becoming even more important to manage, control and protect your software assets. Having greater control of the software lifecycle process and understanding your license position can definitely help your organization avoid unnecessary expenditure.

FEATURES

Software Asset Management

License Dashboard SAM Portal enables effective fulfilment of the following SAM processes:

Software Catalogue - maintains an organization's approved software catalogue and ensures only approved software is deployed

End User Request - enables all authorized personnel to request and track the acquisition of software

Management Approval - facilitates the approval process for all software requests

License Specification - determines whether a request a) requires a license, b) has an available license within a business unit or within another affiliate or c) is in need of a purchase

Order Acknowledgement - initiates and confirms the order fulfilment

Installation Notification - instigates confirmation that the deployment team needs to implement software where a license is available or has been acquired

Order Tracking – enables effective and accurate administration of all Quotes, Orders, Goods Received/Invoiced and Purchase History

License Reporting & License Optimization - assists in the maintenance of the license inventory, license entitlements and compliance status. Real-time reports are published, including financial benefits realised (i.e. cost savings)

License & Compliance Management

In addition to SAM Portal, the underlying inventory engine, License Dashboard, will continue to provide the following software license management services:

- Ensure all purchases of software licenses are correctly recorded
- Continued aggregation of an organization's installation rights, ensuring ongoing maintenance of compliance status
- Achieve better visibility of an organization's central purchasing arrangements and contracts, thus ensuring that the correct license and maintenance agreements are procured under the correct discounted purchasing agreements
- Continued application recognition of network discovery data. Using License Dashboard's Data Cleanse, executables will be matched with product →



descriptions to provide a manageable list of installed software including licensable, freeware, shareware, drivers and games

- Provide adequate advance notification of any events/triggers relevant to maintenance agreements, licenses and agreements with supported software vendors, including renewal dates, expiry dates, termination dates, license fee escalation dates and exceeding license thresholds/maintenance renewals

BENEFITS

By implementing License Dashboard SAM Portal, organizations will experience the following business benefits:

- Implements an effective and streamlined SAM programme that manages, controls and protects an organization's software assets
- Provides an intuitive and easy-to-use interface for requesting software and enables effective control of the approval process
- Enables effective notification to the installation teams, thereby ensuring that the correct media is deployed and that this media has been correctly approved
- Determines whether a license is required and maintains a real-time license pool for the management of all unused licenses
- Archives all license evidence, ensuring all proofs of purchase and contracts are protected and maintained
- Effectively administrates the procurement lifecycle from quote to goods received
- Continues to aggregate an organization's installation rights and compliance status
- Ensures that all purchases of server and desktop software are correctly specified and procured using the most cost-effective agreements
- Provides assistance with project planning – by having full visibility of the installation rights and software deployed to an organization's network, License Dashboard will be able to provide more accurate licensing advice for planned upgrades and roll-outs or cloud migrations
- Provides comprehensive Management Reports detailing an organization's software compliance status, cost savings made and areas of risk

- Promotes more informed purchasing decisions, thus reducing the risk of overspend

TAKE CONTROL

License Dashboard SAM Portal is set to revolutionize the way organizations request, acquire and manage their software licenses. Using its highly intuitive Web-interface, the system ensures all licenses are correctly specified and only purchased if absolutely required.

With many organizations already queuing up for this application, we are quietly confident that this tool will become the product of choice for many organizations looking to implement an effective SAM programme and ultimately drive down excessive spending and business risk.

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