

Enterprise software license optimization from desktop to data center to the cloud

FlexNet Manager Suite helps organizations build a defensible license position across complex software publishers, including Microsoft, Oracle, IBM, SAP, Adobe, VMware and thousands more. It also extends coverage across virtualization, containers and macOS.

AT A GLANCE

FlexNet Manager Suite is Flexera's enterprise-grade, customer or partner-managed software license optimization platform. It automatically discovers software across your IT estate of Windows, Linux, UNIX, Mac, virtual, container and cloud. Once discovered, FlexNet Manager Suite normalizes your software inventory against curated application recognition libraries while also reconciling your inventory against your purchased entitlements using publisher-specific product use rights. The result? An accurate, always-defensible, effective license position for the vendors that drive most enterprise software spend.

Thousands of enterprises use FlexNet Manager Suite to cut software costs, prepare for audits with confidence, manage complex publisher agreements (Microsoft, Oracle, IBM, SAP, Adobe, VMware, Autodesk, Salesforce and more) and modernize software governance across on-premises, hybrid and cloud environments.

Use cases



Prove a defensible license position

Reconcile purchased entitlements against installed and used software with publisher-specific product use rights, producing an audit-ready effective license position at any point in time for Microsoft, Oracle, IBM, SAP, Adobe, VMware and more.



Optimize spend across your largest publishers

Apply automated product use rights (downgrade, upgrade, second use, roaming, sub-capacity) to minimize consumption on the vendors that drive the bulk of IT budgets and negotiate renewals with real usage data instead of publisher estimates.



Manage complex Oracle and IBM estates

Purpose-built support for Oracle database options and packs, IBM processor value unit (PVU) and sub-capacity, including new accuracy for Oracle Linux Virtualization Manager (OLVM), standby databases, WebLogic and Cloud Paks.



Reclaim licenses across every endpoint

Meter application usage across Windows, macOS (Jamf), Linux, UNIX, SCCM, Intune and Tanium to reclaim unused licenses and reduce shelfware with data, not guesswork.



Prepare for audits with confidence

Reduce audit preparation from months of spreadsheets to on-demand reporting with usage evidence, exemption reasoning and history that stand up under publisher scrutiny.



Modernize software governance at scale

Bulk management of computers, licenses, users, purchases and assets; ServiceNow OAuth2; Design Mode grids; and a 64-bit Inventory Beacon keep FlexNet Manager Suite ready for the largest enterprise deployments.

Capabilities

- ✓ **Software license optimization**
Automatically apply publisher-specific product use rights for Microsoft, Oracle, IBM, SAP, Adobe, VMware and more to minimize license consumption and maximize savings.
- ✓ **macOS coverage via Jamf**
The Jamf Adapter collects hardware, installer and Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI) evidence from Jamf Cloud and Jamf On-Premises for accurate macOS reconciliation alongside Windows.
- ✓ **Comprehensive discovery and inventory**
Agent-based and agentless discovery across Windows, Linux, UNIX and Mac, including virtual, container and cloud environments (VMware, Hyper-V, Nutanix, Citrix, Azure, AWS, GCP, OLVM).
- ✓ **Contract & entitlement management**
Centralized management of contracts, purchase orders, subscriptions, maintenance and renewals with proactive alerts and bulk purchase/asset management.
- ✓ **License compliance reporting**
Generate an accurate effective license position using a curated SKU library, product use rights library and entitlement records with exemption reasoning and audit-ready evidence.
- ✓ **IBM sub-capacity and Cloud Pak (enhanced)**
IBM sub-capacity eligibility tracking, an IBM License Metric Tool alternative, PVU consumption on Nutanix and Cloud Pak consumption grid enhancements protect against IBM audit exposure.
- ✓ **Oracle license management (enhanced)**
Purpose-built accuracy for Oracle database options and packs, WebLogic, standby databases, partitioning rules and OLVM.
- ✓ **Enterprise platform & security**
64-bit Inventory Beacon, SQL Server 2025 support, .NET Framework 4.8 and continued security hardening keep FlexNet Manager Suite ready for modern enterprise IT.
- ✓ **Bulk data management**
Bulk deletion for computers, licenses, users, purchases and assets keeps the estate clean as it changes at enterprise scale.

Business outcomes



Lower software spend

Automated product use rights and reclaim insights target the vendors that drive the bulk of IT budgets.



Reduced audit risk

Upload contracts and entitlements and normalize software against an extensive inventory of assets powered by Technopedia.



Faster investigations

Design Mode grids, Report Builder performance improvements and pre-calculated data make enterprise-scale analysis feel instant.



Cleaner data at scale

Bulk deletion of computers, licenses, users, purchases and assets keeps the estate accurate through refreshes, mergers and acquisitions, and reorgs.

Related ITAM offerings

FlexNet Manager Suite is part of Flexera's broader IT Asset Management portfolio. Pair it with these solutions to extend visibility, security, compliance and optimization across your IT estate.

FlexNet Manager for Engineering

Applications (FNMEA)

Concurrent license optimization for computer-aided design (CAD), electronic design automation (EDA), geographic information system (GIS), energy and power (E&P) and product lifecycle management (PLM) tools with real-time dashboards, single sign-on (SSO) and hardened security.

Data Platform

Normalized, enriched IT asset data across more than 800,000 applications and more than 110,000 manufacturers and end of life (EOL) and end of service (EOS) trusted intelligence.

Ready to modernize enterprise software license optimization?

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