

Network license

The **network licensing model** is based on client/server architecture, where licenses are placed on a centralized system in the subnet. On this computer, the license manager software ([Sentinel RMS License Manager](#)) must be running to serve the license requests from clients.

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License manager software and server

The Sentinel RMS License Manager is a program that coordinates the use of a licensed application by multiple users and computers. This program usually runs on a computer that is located on the same subnet as any computer that needs to run the CSI software.

A license server program need not run on a file server system or any specific hardware server. Any computer that meets the requirements is acceptable. Realistically, a system running on Pentium Processor 3 (or higher), 550 MHz and having 128 MB RAM is a good choice.

Client machines

The computers that run the CSI software are called clients. When a licensed software is started on the client, it sends a request for a license across the network to the license server. The license server grants the request if possible and returns an authorization message back to the client.

Checking out network license

Alternatively, the user has the option of 'checking out' a Network License from the License Manager Server to the client computer by using the 'commuter' utilities. This allows CSI software to run on the client computer while not connected to the network for the duration of the check-out period. Please refer to the [Commuter license](#) article for additional details.

See also

- [Network license \(conventional\)](#)
- [Network license \(web-activated\)](#)
- [License server](#)
- [Sentinel RMS License Manager](#)
- [WlmAdmin.exe](#)
- [Commuter license](#)