Term License Fact Sheet

What is a Term License?

A Term License allows you to subscribe to your software applications for a monthly or quarterly fee. You can also use a Term License as a supplement to your perpetual licenses, gaining the flexibility to use applications beyond your owned license pool in peak periods or temporary surges in workload.

A Term License may offer a more cost-effective option than perpetual licenses when your application usage is variable or short-term. Some organizations may choose Term Licenses as their primary licensing model. There is no need to estimate or anticipate usage needs in advance; you pay for software only when it is used.

How is usage calculated?

Usage is determined by counting the total number of unique machines that access an application during each 10-minute interval throughout the day. The highest number of machines accessing an application during any one 10-minute interval during the quarter is the Peak Usage.

You must use the software at least 10 minutes and for a complete interval for your initial interval to be counted. For example, a session for a specific user with a start time of 10:02 a.m. would begin to be counted in the 10:10 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. interval. Use in any interval thereafter in this session results in each of those intervals being counted. This method ensures that accidental or incidental use is not counted and provides an accurate count of true production use.

Since use for a complete 10 minute interval is required before a session is counted, the first interval is never counted.

Use in any subsequent interval is counted.

Which programs are impacted by this interval change?

The new calculation method is now used for all SELECT and Cloud Service Subscription Term License subscribers. Usage for Enterprise License Subscribers (ELS) will continue to be calculated by the calendar day.

How do I update my Bentley software to take advantage of this interval change?

To take advantage of the new interval, accounts must utilize the Bentley-hosted SELECTserver. Accounts utilizing a locally deployed SELECTserver will still have peak usage determined by the calendar hour interval. Please refer to communities.bentley.com for information on how to migrate to a Bentley-hosted SELECTserver.

Applications must use version 9.2.0.25 or later of the License Management Tool. All CONNECT Edition applications comply with this requirement.

When is the change in interval effective?

The 10-minute interval has been used to calculate usage from April 1, 2016 onward. All Term License invoices generated for the second quarter (April through June) will be based off the new interval calculation.

When will I receive my Term Licensing invoice?

At the end of each calendar quarter, Bentley reviews your usage for each application. We compare your Peak Usage to your owned license pool, and if there is Peak Usage that exceeds your owned license pool, you will receive a Term License invoice approximately one week after the end of the quarter.

Are there additional advantages to a Term License if our organization has a Cloud Services Subscription?

Yes. If you cover your Term License under this program, you can lower your costs. With the Cloud Services Subscription, you will benefit from monthly rather than quarterly usage resets, and you can qualify for an additional discount.

Can I cover Term Licenses under an Enterprise License Agreement (ELS)?

No, covering Term Licenses under an ELS is not necessary. The ELS is an annual subscription that resets based upon actual usage during the previous year and, therefore, takes the place of a Term License.

Can I evaluate products without being invoiced for a Term License?

Yes, you may evaluate products for 30 consecutive calendar days before being invoiced. After 30 days, any continued usage will be invoiced as a Term License at your current subscription rate.

Is our use of licenses restricted to our owned license pool?

No, your license allows you to use an unlimited number of licenses for the application titles that you own. With SELECT Open Access, you can also use an unlimited number of licenses for application titles that you do not own. We have chosen a license management technology model designed to ensure that our users can continue to use software under any circumstance. Accordingly, we do not require a real-time connection to SELECTserver in order to access and use our software. This model allows organizations to have flexibility and continuity in situations where internet service is inconsistent or inaccessible, licenses are temporarily unavailable or expired, or if SELECTserver is down or inaccessible.

What advantages do I receive from my perpetual license pooling benefit?

Your perpetual licenses can be *pooled* and are not restricted to a specific user or device. SELECT subscribers have the advantage of accessing and running licensed applications on any number of different devices, by any number of users, and in any location within the country of purchase.

In instances when simultaneous usage of applications exceeds the total number of perpetual licenses held, Term Licenses will cover this Peak Usage. Please refer to the *"How is Usage Calculated?"* question above for more detailed explanation of Peak Usage.

Where can I view the usage reports used for my invoices?

The Product Usage Detail report is the single report that you reference to review invoiced usage. We highly recommend that you use the Enterprise Portal https://connect.bentley.com/Enterprise to access this report, as well as Term License invoices, mid-quarter statements, and the Term License Price Book. The Product Usage Detail report shows your organization's application usage by quarter and by machine, and details Peak Usage relative to owned licenses. You may find it useful to supplement this report with Application Usage by Hour report from the CONNECT SELECTserver Administration console, a report that provides a detailed view of qualifying usage.

For more information **visit www.bentley.com/CSS**