



PreSurfer

For Bentley license pools

Manage the use of your Open Access licenses and avoid unexpected costs



What is SELECT Open Access® and how does it work?

In January 2014 Bentley Systems initiated the new SELECT Basic Access and SELECT Open Access programs. Existing customers with a current SELECT contract will be transferred automatically into one of the new SELECT programs at their next renewal.

An important change is the allocation of licenses. Previously, users attempting to start the software would be rejected if all licenses in the license pool were in use. Now, an additional license is generated and the software will start normally. Even products for which no license exists are at the disposal of users.

A key advantage is that project-specific requirements for the use of certain Bentley products can be fulfilled temporarily without the purchase of corresponding licenses.

What does the change to SELECT Open Access mean for you?

If a Bentley product is “overused“ a minimum of four times during a calendar quarter, the organization will be invoiced for accumulated (over) use fees for that quarter. Hence there may be up to four additional bills per year – one per quarter – for the overuse of Bentley licenses.

In some cases this will be beneficial, for example for customers who need to use Bentley products for a specific and time-limited project, without being obliged to acquire new permanent licenses.

But for customers who neither have the need nor the resources to incur these additional unplanned costs, or for those who wish to actively and selectively manage their license pool, the PreSurfer is an ideal solution.

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What is the PreSurfer for Bentley Licenses?

The PreSurfer for Bentley Licenses is a software utility for the management of licenses for Bentley products.

The PreSurfer can be configured, for example, to confine the number of users to a maximum and prevent over-use of a Bentley license pool.

Moreover it can confine usage to specified Bentley products, those necessary to fulfill project specific requirements, with potential additional but precalculated use fees.

What are additional benefits of the PreSurfer for Bentley Licenses?

- Preventive protection against license overuse, reliable prevention of unplanned additional use fees
- Configurable project-specific allowance of extra licenses beyond the existing license pool, ensuring a defined maximum cost
- Handles current Bentley software including Speedikon as well as the InRoads and RailTrack family
- Comes into play whenever the Bentley software is started (double click on a DGN file, start forma shortcut, start of an addin or a MDL at MicroStation, etc.)
- Start of any number of instances of the same product on one and the same client
- Compliance to any kind of Bentley restrictions (license release on the hour, ten minutes lasting license freeze, etc.)

How does the PreSurfer for Bentley Licenses work?

The client server architecture of the PreSurfer ensures secure and optimized communication between the SELECTServer, the PreSurfer and the clients.

If a free license is available, it will be transmitted. If no free license is available, the corresponding client gets a reference and informs the user accordingly. And the start of the Bentley product is prevented.

For the selective and conscious (over) use of certain Bentley products the administrator can allow Open Access for the client while other Bentley products remain under control by the PreSurfer.

Further information as well as FAQ's, for example concerning the handling of Bentley product tests or updates, is available at <http://corporatemontage.de/presurfer/>.

How can we support you?

Does your organisation already suffer from license overuse? Or would you like to selectively control the use of certain Bentley products, beyond your current license pool?

We will be glad to assist you!

You can check your current license use at <http://select.bentley.com/selectopenaccessportal/> or on your local Bentley SELECTServer.

Is this product of interest? We will be glad to hear from you!

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