FlexNet License Manager*

FlexNet (formerly FLEX/m) is a network license manager used by many software developers to control the use of their software products with a client-server approach. You install a license server on a PC with a dongle and all clients get the licenses from that server simply defining a few system variables.

- Server installation
- Client installation

Server Installation

1. Check if your server has one of the following, supported operating systems:

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Microsoft® Windows® 2008 R2 Server 64 bit Microsoft® Windows® 2003 R2 Server 64 bit Microsoft® Windows® 7 32 and 64 bit
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- 2. Install on a PC (not necessarily the server) **ThinkDesign** in order to get the software required to perform the server installation.
- 3. Copy the installation directory "C:\Program Files\think3\version number\common\drivers\hardlock" on the server, double-click on the file hldrv32.exe and confirm all steps to install the dongle driver; then plug the dongle in the USB port.
- 4. Send an email to pwd-europe@think3.eu specifying the dongle ID and asking for password computing.
 - For products with version up to 2011.1, you will receive password strings like:

 FEATURE <product code> thinkflx <product version> <date> <quantity> cense code>

 VENDOR STRING=<customer name> NOTICE=<notice code>

__INCREMENT <product code> thinkflx <product version> <date> <quantity> <license code> VENDOR STRING=<customer name> NOTICE=<notice code>

• For product with version starting from 2012.1, you will receive password strings like:

FEATURE code> thinkdmn code> cod

NOTE: you have a string beginning with FEATURE when you add new product licenses; while you have a string beginning with INCREMENT when you add new licenses of a product already inserted in the license file (i.e. you already have a string beginning with FEATURE for the product).

- 5. Copy the installation directory "C:\Program Files\think3\version number\common\drivers\flexIm" on the server directory "C:\flexIm" and configure the license.lic file.
 - Uncomment the first row #SERVER <hostname> CLCODE=<hostid> 7171 and replace <hostname> with the name of the server and <hostid> with the dongle ID, so that you should obtain a row of this type:

SERVER ServerName CLCODE=HUS00123 7171

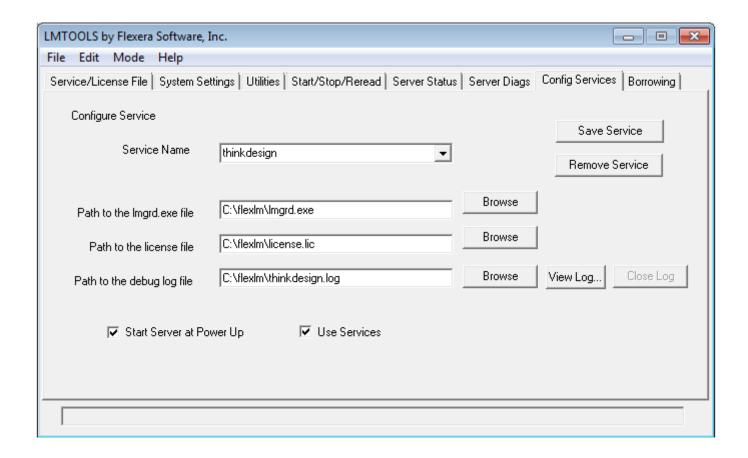
• If you want to run products starting from version 2012.1, uncomment the second row in order to have:

DAEMON thinkdmn C:\flexlm\thinkdmn.exe

• If you want to run products up to version 2011.1, uncomment the third row in order to have:

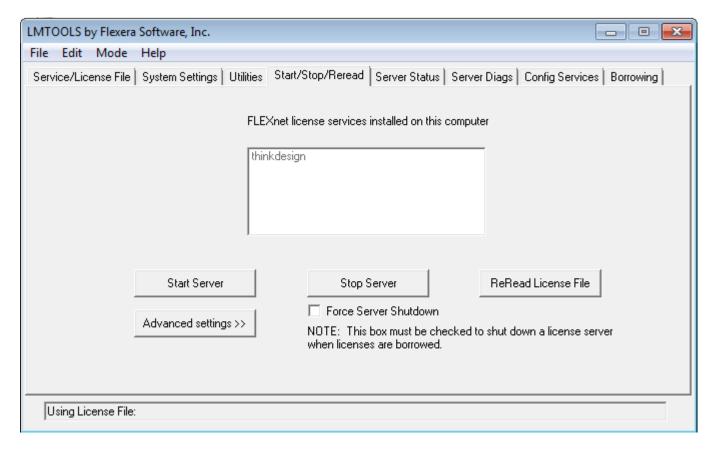
DAEMON thinkflx C:\flexlm\thinkflx.exe

- Add the password strings you have received from pwd-europe@think3.eu.
- 6. Double-click on the Imtools.exe file included in the C:\flexIm directory and choose the **Config Services** tab.
 - In the **Service Name** field, insert the name of the Service you want to define.
 - In the **Path to the Imgrd.exe file**, click the **Browse** button and select the C:\flexIm\Imgrd.exe file.
 - In the **Path to the license file** field, click the **Browse** button and select the C:\flexIm\license.lic file.
 - In the **Path to the debug log file**, define the file in which you want **FlexNet** write the log (for example C:\flexIm\thinkdesign.log file).
 - Check the **Use Services** checkbox if you want **FlexNet** run as a service.
 - Check the Start Server at Power Up if you want FlexNet automatically start at the server boot.
 - Click the **Save service** button to save the just configured service (**Remove Service** button can be used to delete it).

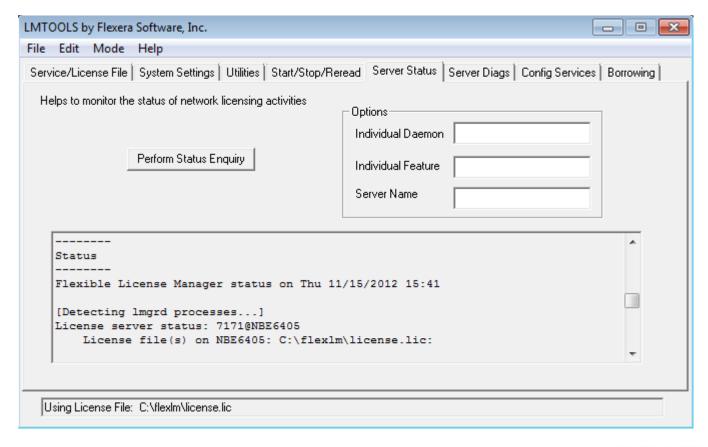


7. In the **Start/Stop/Reread** tab you can:

- Start the license server clicking the **Start Server** button.
- Stop the license server clicking the **Stop Server** button.
- Force the re-read of the license file, when you edit and update it with the license server running, clicking the **ReRead License File** button.



8. In the **Server Status** tab, you can see the license server status clicking the **Perform Status Enquiry** button.





Client Installation

1. Check if your client has one of the following, supported operating systems:

Microsoft® Windows® 7 32 and 64 bit Microsoft® Windows® XP 32 and 64 bit

- 2. Install on the PC the products you want to run.
- 3. Define these system variables:

LICETYPE

LICETYPE=FLEX The system uses local licenses first, then floating ones The system does not use floating licenses, but only local ones LICETYPE=NOFLEX LICETYPE=FIRSTFLEX The system uses floating licenses first, then local ones The system uses only floating licenses LICETYPE=ONLYFLEX

LM_LICENSE_FILE

It has to be defined with the value portnumber@<hostname>.

If in the license file of the server, the first row is defined as follows:

SERVER ServerName CLCODE=HUS00123 7171

in the client, you have to define the system variable as follows:

LM LICENSE FILE=7171@ServerName

4. Only if you want to use our products by Windows® Terminal Server Sessions, you have to define another variable T3TSS=YES to have the products running, and each instance of the products will get a license from the license server.



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