



Nessus Professional v7 FAQ - External

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What are the capabilities of Nessus Professional v7?

Nessus Professional v7 offers the following major differences from v6.x:

- **Easily transferable license.** The 10-day waiting period to transfer a license has been removed, allowing for quick and simple license transfers between computers. The MAC address restriction has also been removed, allowing users to freely use Nessus in more cloud environments or in a live distribution like Kali Linux.
- **Emailed scan reports and custom report name/logo.** Users can have a scan report automatically emailed to a recipient once a scan is complete. This simplifies and expedites the delivery of the scan report. A user can add his/her company name and logo into a Nessus scan report, enhancing the professionalism and personalization of the end product.
- **Multi-user support is removed.** Existing customers can retain their existing users, but they will not be able to create new ones once they update to v7 via the two-step process.
- **Access to the API for scanning is removed.** Nessus Professional is designed to perform scan functions through the UI only. The scan API capabilities will remain operational through December 31, 2018, provided that users do not opt in to the v7 features. We recognize that many users export the scan data to create their own reports, so we have retained those capabilities in all versions of Nessus Professional, including v7. The scan API capabilities removed in Nessus Professional v7 are available in Tenable.io Vulnerability Management for those seeking additional automation and management capabilities.

Will these changes affect SecurityCenter or Nessus Manager?

No, these changes only affect Nessus Professional v7 for users who opt in to them. Multi-user and API capabilities for SecurityCenter and Nessus Manager are unchanged.

Are there any pricing changes for Nessus Professional v7?

No, all pricing remains unchanged.

Do the v7 feature changes go into effect immediately in my deployment?

No. Existing customers can update to v7 features when they are ready, through a two-step process. Customers will receive the new version either through auto-update or manual update, as usual, but this step alone will not enable v7 features. Even though the Nessus version has updated to v7, customers retain their existing features until they perform a second step. See the next section for more information.

How does a customer update to Nessus Professional v7 features?

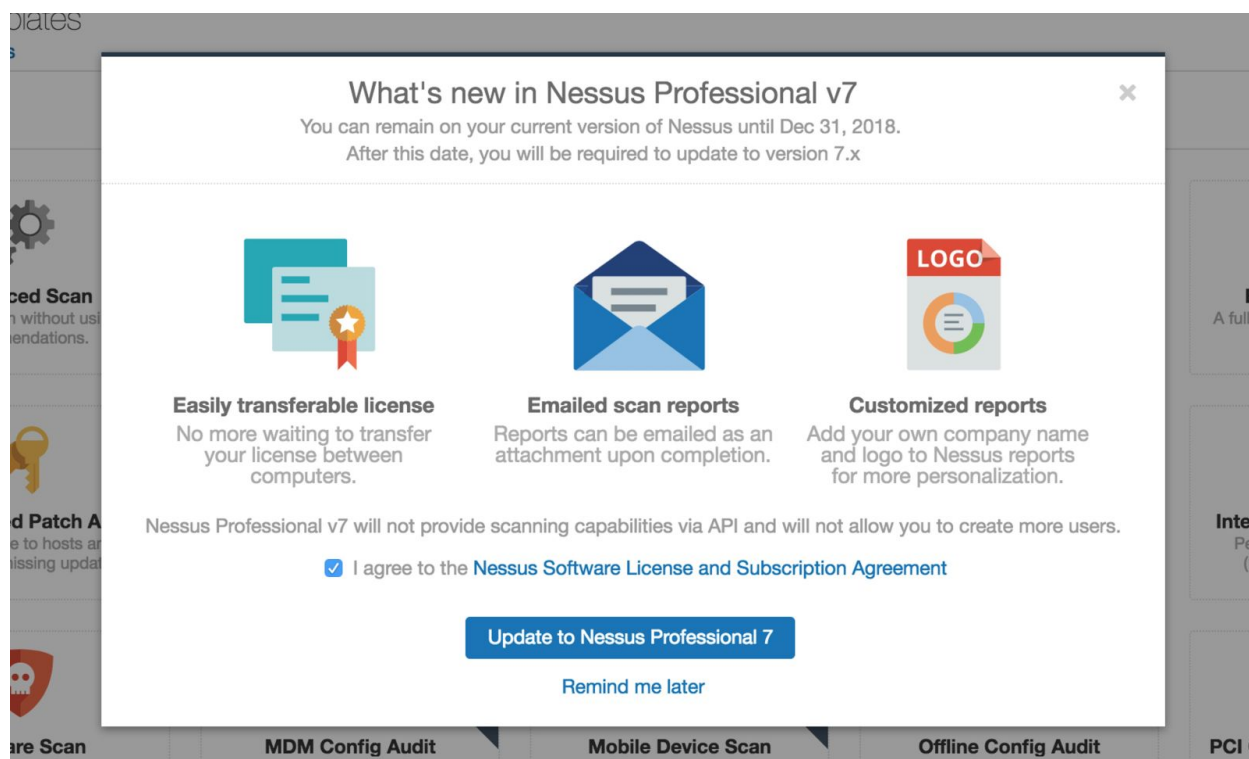
Updating from v6.x to v7 features is a two-step process. The first step is to receive v7 via auto-update or manual update. This update by itself merely makes v7 features available, but will not enable the new v7 features or disable previous ones. If the user wants to keep using the v6 features, they do not have to do anything else, and can continue using these features through December 31, 2018. We will continue to fix major bugs and security issues with v6.x. However, the user will not benefit from any new features released on v7.

If the user wants to enable and use the v7 features, they must take a second step: Within the product, click the link in the banner at the top of any screen to get the new v7 features. Then accept the new Software License and Subscription Agreement, and choose to update to Nessus Professional v7. The user will lose the ability to add new users or use the API for scanning, so it is important to do this only when ready.



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If customers do not wish to retain the v7 features, there is a way to revert back to pre-v7 features within the product. Under Settings, there is a tab labelled “Revert from Pro 7”. Click the “Restore” button to revert to pre-v7 features. Note that this will revert to Nessus Professional v6.11.3 only. There is no option of reverting to any previous version.

Will Nessus Professional v6.x continue to be supported in 2018?

Yes, Nessus Professional 6.x will continue to be supported through December 31, 2018. This includes fixing major bugs and security issues for v6.x. However, the majority of new features and enhancements will be for Nessus Professional v7 only.

Do current Nessus Professional v6.x users lose any functionality if they stay on v6.x?

No. Current Nessus v6.x users will retain all existing functionality until Dec 31, 2018 as long as they maintain an active license.



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When will customers be required to move from their current versions to v7?

- Existing customers that have Nessus Professional prior to December 12, 2017 are not required to update to v7 features until Dec 31, 2018. If they renew after December 12, 2017, they are still eligible to stay on v6.x and are not required to update until December 31, 2018.
- New customers that purchase Nessus Professional on or after December 12, 2017 will only be able to use v7 and above.

What will happen with versions of Nessus Professional below v7 after December 31, 2018?

After December 31, 2018, users with active licenses using Nessus Professional version below v7.0 will no longer get plugin updates. They will be warned of this and can continue using their outdated Nessus Professional versions, but do so at their own risk as these versions will not be officially supported.

How do I find out more information about Nessus Professional v7?

For more information visit [What's New in Nessus Professional v7](#).



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