

# FlexNet license server installation and licensing

## Related resources

- [License Administration Guide. FlexNet Publisher 2020 R2 \(11.17.0\)](#)
- [License Administration Guide. FlexNet Publisher 2019 R2 \(11.16.4\)](#)
- [License Administration Guide. FlexNet Publisher 2014 R1 \(11.12.1\)](#)

The FlexNet Publisher license server (the floating license server) from [Flexera](#) is used for managing floating licenses. The basic components of the FlexNet Publisher license server are these:

- license server administrator
- license key file
- [vendor daemon](#)

A floating license allows you to install and use the same license on multiple machines. The licenses are managed by the floating license server. The floating license server has information on the total number of products and editions you have and how many of these licenses are currently in use.

## Using the FlexNet license server

To use the FlexNet server

1. [Install the server.](#)
2. [Add the license key to the server.](#)

## FlexNet server and modeling tools compatibility

You need to choose the version of the **FlexNet license server** and a **vendor daemon - Cameo** according to the modeling tool version you use:

Modeling tool\FlexNet version	11.12.0 and below	11.14.0	11.16.4	11.17.0
2021x	not compatible	X <sup>1</sup>	X <sup>1</sup>	X
19.0 and below	X	X <sup>1</sup>	X <sup>1</sup>	X <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> except Windows 64-bit, Linux 64-bit, and MAC 64-bit *lmadmin/lmgrd* with a **vendor daemons – cameo** of 64-bit. These utilities are incompatible.

## Related pages

- [FlexNet license server 11.17](#)
- [FlexNet license server 11.12, 11.14, 11.16](#)
- [Checking if the FlexNet server is running](#)
- [Adding a license to the FlexNet server](#)
- [Replacing a license key on the FlexNet license server](#)
- [Uninstalling FlexNet license server](#)
- [Moving or upgrading the FlexNet license server](#)
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