

# Quest® Security Explorer® 9.7

## What's New

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Quest Security Explorer provides a single console for managing access controls, permissions and security across Microsoft® platforms that span multiple servers. The product provides a broad array of security enhancements including the ability to identify who has rights to resources across the entire organization. It also provides the ability to grant, revoke, clone, modify and overwrite permissions quickly and from a central location.

Unlike native tools, Security Explorer provides the ability to back up and restore permissions only, ensuring the integrity of data. To help meet auditing requirements, Security Explorer provides convenient reports that can be pulled on the fly. Lastly, the product's cleanup capabilities address common post-migration security issues.

This document highlights key features new in this release. For more information about these or any features, see the Security Explorer 9.7 Installation and User Guides.

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## Enhanced Access Explorer functionality

In previous versions of Security Explorer, the Access Explorer Permission Wizard helped you manipulate explicit permissions and/or group memberships for accounts, computers, and/or resource groups managed by Access Explorer, but the Access Explorer service was installed and set up in other Quest products. Now in version 9.7, the Access Explorer module is enhanced with the full installation and management of the Access Explorer service, database, and agents, available right in Security Explorer. Once you install the agents and set up the database, the Access Explorer service scans and indexes security access information on files, folders, and shares on managed computers in managed domains. The data is stored in the Access Explorer database. Use the Access Explorer Permission wizard to change, clone, delete, export, and back up permissions. Currently supported resources include Windows® computers, Windows clusters, and certain network attached storage (NAS) devices.

## Enhanced Exchange Security functionality

You can now manage Active Directory® permissions for Exchange object properties. If Exchange mail servers are installed in parent and child domains, and Security Explorer is installed in the same forest, you can manage Exchange object permissions for domain accounts in both parent and child domains. Also, the performance of loading Exchange object permissions and the connection way to the Exchange organization are improved.

# Start Security Explorer without local Administrator rights

In previous versions, users could not start Security Explorer unless they were a local administrator on the computer where Security Explorer was installed. In version 9.7, a user who is not a local administrator can start Security Explorer, but the functionality is limited to actions that require local administrator rights.

## Additional supported platforms

- Windows® 10
- Windows Server® 2016
- SharePoint® 2016
- SQL Server® 2016
- Exchange 2016
- NetApp 9.0 and NetApp 9.1

## Access in a cross forest environment

*NTFS Security only.* If you select a network share for which you have no rights to read any resource in that network share, you are presented with a dialog to enter custom credentials. You can save the custom credentials to Windows Credentials, which are stored in your roaming profile. If you do not save the custom credentials, Security Explorer® uses them until you log off.

## Ability to purge backup files

You can now choose to purge NTFS backup files. When setting general option in **Tools | Options**, you can select to purge backup files from a selected folder and set the number of days that determines what files to purge. Backup files older than the specified number of days are purged every day at midnight.

## Additional group membership options

When exporting permissions in the NTFS Security module (**Security | Export**), you can choose to include group members, nested groups, and Domain Users group members. The feature is available when generating reports or saving to a Microsoft® Excel® spreadsheet.

When searching, you can now include BUILTIN\Users and Domain Users memberships in the search. If the account you are searching is a member of the BUILTIN\Users or Domain Users groups, those permissions are included in the search results.

## Support for Security Explorer on 32-bit and 64-bit operating systems

During installation, you can choose to install either a 32-bit or 64-bit version of Security Explorer®. Security Explorer (32 bit) can be installed to 32-bit and 64-bit operating systems. Security Explorer (64 bit) can be installed to 64-bit operating systems only. You cannot install both versions of Security Explorer on the same computer.

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