

# License Models

## Spicing up the Mix

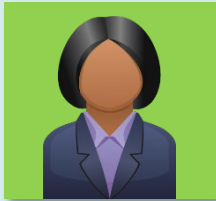
**SECURITY  
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**PERFECTION IN PROTECTION**



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# The Basics of CodeMeter



Software



## License

- Basic Module
  - Single User
- Additional Module
  - Single User
  - 30 days

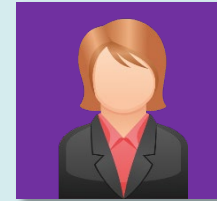


Software



## License

- Basic Module
  - Subscription
- Additional Module
  - Subscription

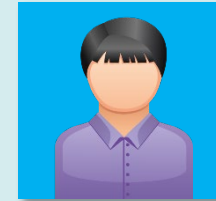


Software



## License

- Basic Module
  - 7 Users
- Additional Module
  - 5 Users



Software



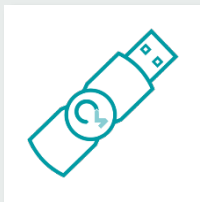
## License

- Basic Module
  - Single User
  - Pay-per-Use



## License Server

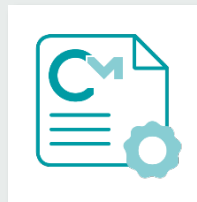
License Server in LAN / WAN



### CmDongle

License container  
in a secure hw element

Bound to a smart card chip



### CmActLicense

License container  
in an encrypted file

Bound to an endpoint

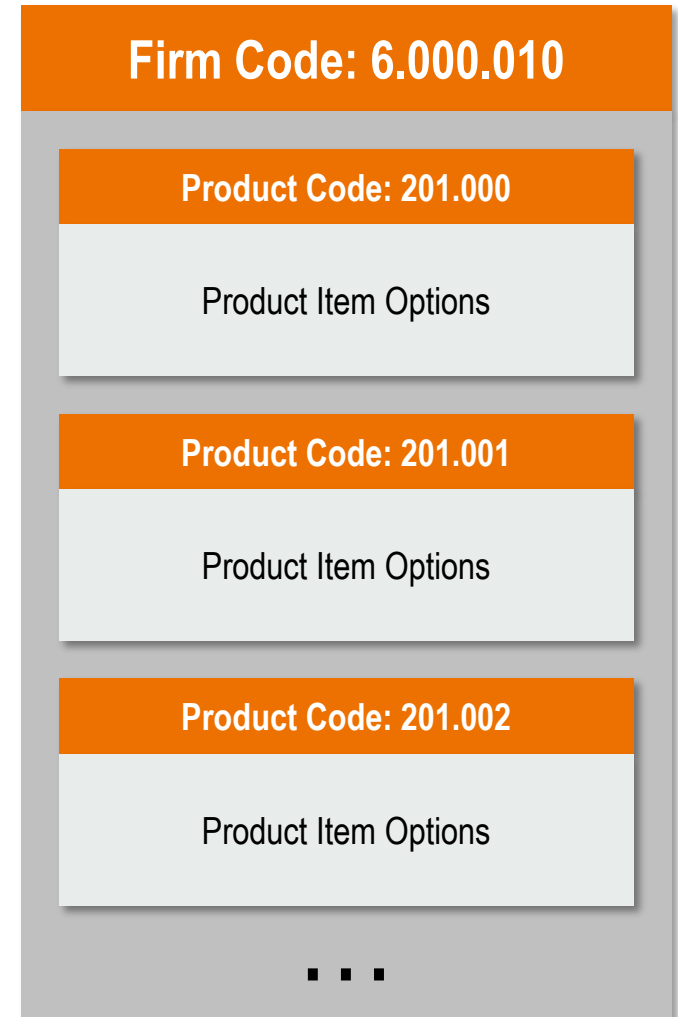


### CmCloudContainer






















License container  
in the WIBU cloud

Bound to a user

- License entry = **Firm Code** | **Product Code**
- **Firm Code**: issued by Wibu-Systems
- **Product Code**:
  - Defined by the software vendor
  - Per Option / Module / Feature
  - 4 bn. Product Codes (UInt32)
- Up to 2,000 Product Items per CmContainer
- **Product Item Options**: Each license can include combinable options



# Product Item Options






















 Text	 Module Items	 License Transfer
 License Quantity	 Unit Counter	 User Data
 Activation Time	 Maximum Encryption Rate	 (Extended) Protected Data
 Expiration Time	 Access Password	 Customer Own License Information
 Usage Period	 Minimum Runtime Version	 Hidden Data
 Feature Map	 Named User License	 Secret Data
 Maintenance Period	 Linger Time	 Universal Data

Product Item 6000010:201000 of CmContainer "<no name>" (3-3869669)

Product Item Options	Type	Size (Bytes)	Dependencies	Value
License Quantity		4	data, serial, counter	10 (LocalOnly)

- Concurrent Licenses, Floating Network Licenses
- Count of the **concurrent licenses**, both network and stand-alone
- Available access modes:
  - UserLimit
  - **StationShare**
  - NoUserLimit



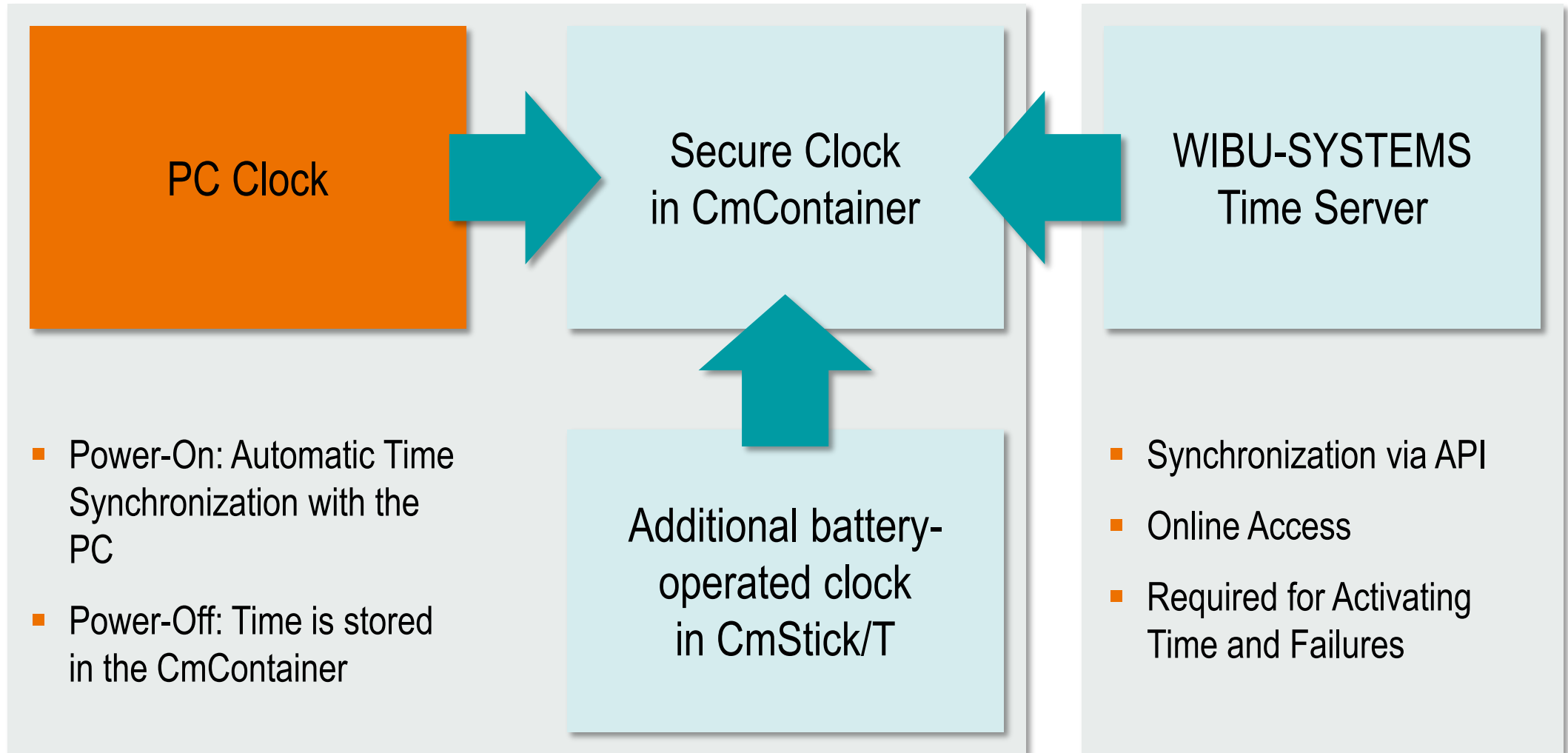
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## Each CmContainer has a Virtual Real-Time Clock

Serial Number	3-3869669
CmContainer Type	CmStick/C 3.12
First Device	No drive assigned (HID)
Status	● Enabled
System Time (PC)	2019-07-08 10:43:33
System Time (CmContainer)	2019-07-08 10:43:19
Certified Time (CmContainer)	2017-02-10 13:26:12
Free Memory	94 % (314.096 Bytes)

- All time related options are checked against the internal virtual real-time clock
- Same functional concept for **CmDongles** and **CmActLicenses**
- **CmStick/T** with additional battery-operated clock






















## How does the Virtual Real-Time Clock work in CodeMeter?



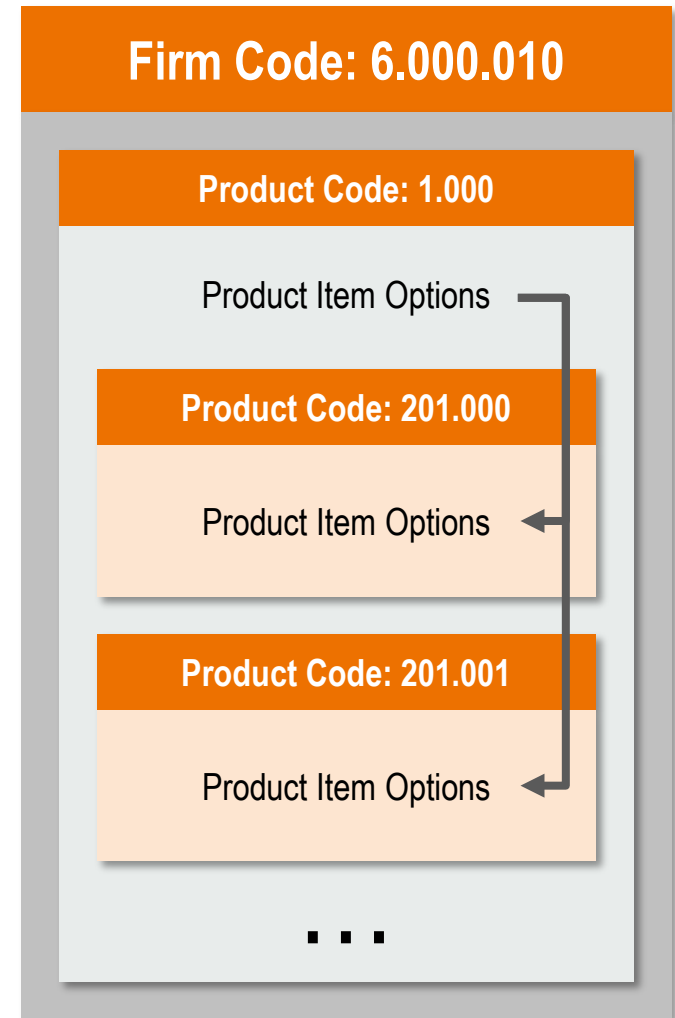
Product Item 6000010:201000 of CmContainer "<no name>" (3-3869669)


Product Item Options	Type	Size (Bytes)	Dependencies	Value
Expiration Time		4	data, serial, counter	2020-07-04 02:00:00

- License is valid until...
- License is checked against **CodeMeter System Time**
- **Offline use**, no Internet connection needed

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- A Module Item is a Product Item inside a Product Item (Nested Product Item)
- A Product Item can contain  $n$  Module Items
- Nesting level is 1, e.g. Module Items don't include additional Module Items
- A Module Item **inherits** the Product Item Options of its parent Product Item
  - License Quantity, Maintenance Period, ...
- Product Item Options can be **overwritten**





## SmartBind 6000010

130-2129231632

CmActLicense/UFC 3.00 ●

^ Licenses
∨ CmContainer Info
∨ User Data

^ **6000010** Sample Company
CodeMeter Evaluation License - not for commercial use!

Product Code	Name	Unit Counter	Valid Until	License Quantity	Feature Map
<b>201000</b>	SampleNotePad - Single User	n/a	n/a	1 (local)	0x80000001
↳ <b>201001</b>	Change Font Module	n/a	n/a	1 (local)	0x80000001
↳ <b>201002</b>	Hex View Module	n/a	n/a	1 (local)	0x80000001
<b>201999</b>	SampleNotePad - Evaluation	n/a	2020-11-05 14:58:52	1 (local)	0x8000001

## Product Item Details






















Product Item 6000010:201000 des CmContainers "SmartBind 6000010" (130-2129231632)

Product Item Optionen	Typ	Größe (Bytes)	Abhängigkeiten	Wert
Text		38		SampleNotePad - Floating User - Borrow
Feature Map		4	data, serial, counter	0010 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0001 (0x20000001)
Lizenz-Anzahl		4	data, serial, counter	10
Extended Protected Data	136	16	data, serial, counter	0x6c 0x63 0x64 0x63 0x00 0x01 0xca 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x00 0x02 0x00

## Module Items

Product Code	Name
201001	Change Font Module
201002	Hex View Module
























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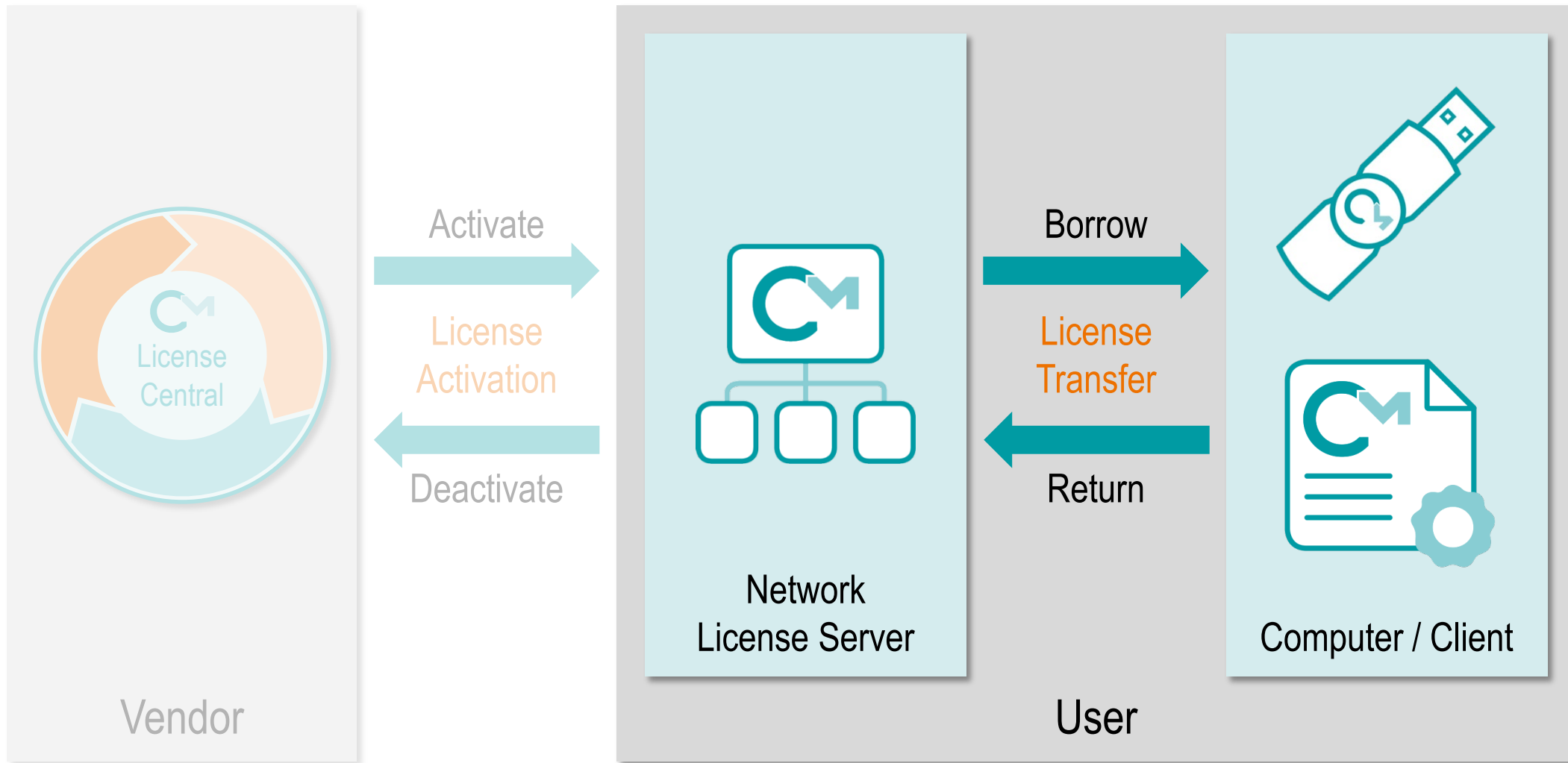
Product Item 6000010:201000 of CmContainer "<no name>" (3-3869669)

Product Item Options	Type	Size (Bytes)	Dependencies	Value
Unit Counter		4	data, serial, counter	100

- Count of usage credits
- Pre-paid charging units
- Pay-per-Use based billing
- Counter recharged via **FSB**
- Decrement at runtime
- Tamper-proof (use of encryption)

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- **Borrowing** a license from a network server
- Offline use as **local license** with no connection to the server
- **Temporary transfer** from a CmContainer on a network license server to a CmContainer at the local client
  - The license on the server is shown as allocated (“in use”)
  - Expiration Time set for the license in the local CmContainer
- After expiration at local client, the license is available again on the network license server – no action needed by the user
- The user can return the license manually, before it expires



# License Models

# Overview of the License Models Supported by CodeMeter

<b>Single User License</b>	Single User License in a Virtual Machine	Network License / Concurrent Users	Feature-on-Demand License
Perpetual License	<b>Demo / Trial License</b>	<b>Rental, Leasing, Subscription License</b>	<b>Pay-per-Use License</b>
License with Maintenance Contracts	License with Downgrade-Right	License with Upgrade-Right	Grace Period License
Volume License	High Availability License	Hot Standby License	Cold Standby License
Overflow License	<b>Borrowable License</b>	Transferable License	Named User License
Computer-bound License	Time Zone License	Country-Based License	...

The screenshot shows a software interface for managing licenses. It includes a table for license entries and a section for license transfer type schema. Callouts highlight specific fields and actions:

- Firm Code:** Points to the 'Firm Code: 6000010' field in the license selection dropdown.
- Product Name:** Points to the 'SampleNotePad - Single User' value in the license entry table.
- Don't overwrite existing license:** Points to the 'Add' action button.
- Product Version + Marker:** Points to the 'Decimal : 2147483649' and 'Hexadecimal : 0x80000001' values in the license entry table.
- Product Code:** Points to the '201999' product code in the license entry table.
- Local License:** Points to the 'License Quantity' field with the value '1, Access permissions: Local'.
- ISV Name:** Points to the 'Sample Company' value in the license entry table.

CmContainer Type	Activation Count	
SmartBind 6000010   Firm Code: 6000010	1	✖
CmDongle 6000010   Firm Code: 6000010	1	✖
		+

License Transfer Type Schema  
<none selected>

Product Code	Action	Operation	Value	Allow modification
201999	Add	Set	SampleNotePad - Single User	✖
		Set	Decimal : 2147483649 Hexadecimal : 0x80000001	
		Set	License Quantity : 1, Access permissions: Local	
		Set	Firm Item Text : Sample Company	
				+



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License with Maintenance Contracts	License with Downgrade-Right	License with Upgrade-Right	Grace Period License
Volume License	High Availability License	Hot Standby License	Cold Standby License
Overflow License	Borrowable License	Transferable License	Named User License
Computer-bound License	Time Zone License	Country-Based License	...

License Details

**Item Type** ModuleItemParent ▼

**Item Id** SNP-201-000-01-101

**Name** SampleNotePad - Modular Licenses

**Status** active ▼

■ ■ ■

**Module Items**

Item Id	Name	ModuleItem Mode	Order Specific Mode	
SNP-201-001-01	Change Font Module	Deselectable	Separate	✎ ✖
SNP-201-002-01	Hex View Module	Deselectable	Separate	✎ ✖
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Parent Item  
(Product)

Child Items  
(Features/Modules)

Product Name

CmContainer Type	Activation Count		
SmartBind 6000010   Firm Code: 6000010	1		✘
CmDongle 6000010   Firm Code: 6000010	1		✘
			+

License Transfer Type Schema

<none selected>

### License Entries

Product Code	Action	Option	Operation	Value	Allow value modification	
201000	Add	Product Text	Set	SampleNotePad - Modular Licenses		✎ ✘
		Feature Map	Set	Decimal : 2147483649 Hexadecimal : 0x80000001		
		License Quantity	Set	1, Access permissions: Local		
		Firm Item Text	Set	Sample Company		

Product Code  
for basic feature

Module Item (Feature)

Feature Name

Product Code for Feature

**License Details**




Item Type: ModuleItem

Item Id: SNP-201-001-01

Name: Change Font Module

Status: active

**License Entries**

Product Code	Action	Option	Operation	Value	Allow value modification
201001	Add	Product Text	Set	Change Font Module	 
					

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No License Transfer

CmContainer Type	Activation Count		
SmartBind 6000010   Firm 6000010	1		✘
CmDongle 6000010   Firm 6000010	1		✘
			+

License Transfer Type Schema

<none selected>

License Entries

Product Code	Action	Option	Operation	Value	Allow value modification	
201000	Add	Product Text	Set	SampleNotePad - Floating User		✎ ✘
		Feature Map	Set	Decimal : 1073741825 Hexadecimal : 0x40000001		
		License Quantity	Set	1, Access permissions: Network	On order	
		Firm Item Text	Set	Sample Com		

Don't overwrite existing license

Floating Network License

ERP defines amount of seats

Type: Borrow

License Transfer Type Scheme

Name: BorrowLicense

Transfer Type: Borrow license

Max. Borrowing Period: 30 Days 0 Hours 0 Minutes 0 Seconds

Transfer Parameter:  FirmItem must exist

Transfer Target: BorrowClient:6000010 | CmActId: 2001

Transfer into a CmActLicense

Depends on license model with Wibu-Systems

User can borrow for a maximum of 30 days

Borrowing allowed

CmContainer Type	Activation Count			
CmDongle 6000010   Firm 6000010	1			✗
SmartBind 6000010   Firm 6000010	1			✗
				+

License Transfer Type Schema

BorrowLicense

### License Entries

Product Code	Action	Option	Operation	Value	Allow value modification	
201000	Add	Product Text	Set	SampleNotePad - Floating User - Borrow		✗
		Feature Map	Set	Decimal : 536870913 Hexadecimal : 0x20000001		
		License Quantity	Set	1, Access permissions: Network	On order	
		Firm Item Text	Set	Sample Company		



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## License Entries

Product Code	Operation	Value	Allow value m
201000	Add	Product Text	
		Feature Map	
		Expiration Time	On order
		Licenseinformation (COLI)	On activation
		License Quantity	
		Firm Item Text	

Date of next payment  
+ x days

ERP defines  
expiry date



Storage of ticket for  
automatic renewal

Optional features

## Module Items

Item Id	Name	ModuleItem Mode	Order Specific Mode
SNP-201-001-01	Change Font Module	Selectable	Separate
SNP-201-002-01	Hex View Module	Selectable	Separate






## License Entries

Product Code	Action	Option	Operation	Value	Allow value m	
201000	Add	Product Text	Set	SampleNotePad - Subscription		 
		Feature Map	Set	Decimal : 268435457 Hexadecimal : 0x10000001		
		Expiration Time	Set	2000Jan30,00:00:15	On activation	
		Licenseinformation (COLI)	Set		On activation	
		License Quantity	Set	1, Access permissions: Local		
		Firm Item Text	Set	Sample Company		

Automatic renewal  
with checkpoints



## Module Items

Item Id	Name	ModuleItem Mode	Order Specific Mode	
SNP-201-001-01	Change Font Module	Selectable	Separate	 
SNP-201-002-01	Hex View Module	Selectable	Separate	 
				

License Details

Item Type: **Default**

Item Id: SNP-201-000-01-365

Name: SampleNotePad - Subscription 365

Status: active



Default item,  
no separate features

Product Code

Extend license,  
if it exists

Product Version  
+ Marker

License Extension

Product Code	Action	Option	Operation	Value	Allow value modification
201999	UpdateAdd	Product Text	Set	SampleNotePad - Subscription 365	 
		Feature Map	Set	Decimal : 67108865 Hexadecimal : 0x04000001	
		Expiration Time	Add	365	
		License Quantity	Set	1, Access permissions: License	
		Firm Item Text	Set	Sample Company	

Add 365 days

- ERP Triggered
  - ERP System creates a new **replace order** after each payment
  - Expiration Time = next payment date + x days
- Automatic Renewal
  - Software Activation Wizard renews the license automatically
  - New **replace order** for final termination of the subscription
  - Expiration Time depends on the settings of the Item

- Subscription 365
  - Best practice: Simple product structure
  - Flexible renewal via all sales channels possible
    - E-Commerce solution, Amazon, local retailer, ...
  - Expiration Time is set to activation date + 365 days
  - If the license already exists, the existing license is extended by 365 days

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Overflow License	Borrowable License	Transferable License	Named User License
Computer-bound License	Time Zone License	Country-Based License	...

License Details

Item Type: **Default** Default

Item Id: SNP-201-000-01-400

Name: SampleNotePad - Pay Per Use 100

Status: active

Default item,  
no separate features

Product Code

Extend license,  
if it exists

Add 100 units to  
existing license

License Entry

Product Code	Action	Option	Operation	Value	Allow value modification
201999	UpdateAdd	Product Text	Set	SampleNotePad - Pay Per Use	
		Unit Counter	Add	100	
		Feature Map	Set	Decimal : 33554433 Hexadecimal : 0x02000001	
		License Quantity	Set	1, Access permissions: Local	
		Firm Item Text	Set	Sample Company	

Product Version  
+ Marker



- Application needs to count actions
  - Number of starts ([CodeMeter Protection Suite](#), [CodeMeter Core API](#))
  - Runtime of the application, in minutes ([CodeMeter Protection Suite](#), [CodeMeter Core API](#))
  - Clicks or executions of functions ([CodeMeter Core API](#))
- First activation creates a new license
- Following activations add the units to the **current value** of the existing license

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Computer-bound License	Time Zone License	Country-Based License	...

License Details

Item Type	Default
Item Id	SNP-201-000-01-901
Name	SampleNotePad - Evaluation (All Features)
Status	active

Product Code

Doesn't overwrite existing license



...

License Entries

Product Code	Action	Property	Operation	Value	Allow value modification
201999	Add	Product Text	Set	SampleNotePad - Evaluation	✎ ✖
		Feature Map	Set	Decimal : 8388609 Hexadecimal : 0x00800001	
		Expiration Time	Add	30	
		License Quantity	Set	1, Access permissions...	
		Firm Item Text	Set	Sample Company	+

Sets 30 days from activation

## License Entries

Product Code	Action	Option	Operation	Value	Allow value modification
201000	Add	Product Text	Set	SampleNotePad - Evaluation	 
		Feature Map	Set	Decimal : 16777217 Hexadecimal : 0x01000001	
		Expiration Time	Add	30	
		License Quantity	Set	1, Access permissions: Local	
		Firm Item Text	Set	Sample Company	


Sets 30 days from activation



Optional features

## Module Items

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# Pitfalls and False Friends

- Usage Period
  - CodeMeter License Central doesn't know when license expires
  - ➔ Use relative Expiration Time
- Activation Time
  - The user needs to be online (once)
  - ➔ Don't use it at all
- Feature Map
  - Limited to 32-Bit, no different LQ, ET, ...
  - ➔ Use Module Items instead

Thank you very much for your attention



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