How to edit instance properties

When you register an instance, you define certain properties such as credentials, owner, location, and comments. You can change this information from the **Edit Instance properties** window. To access this window go to any of the following views:

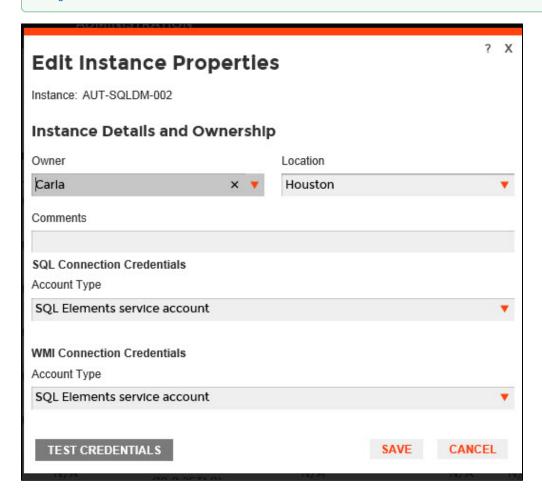
- Instance details window Edit properties option on the top right section of the window.
- Instances tab Pencil icon next to the instance name.
- Dashboard Gear icon next to the instance name.

Below you can see the tabs and sections where you can find Edit instance properties. Click the image to view full size.





On the **Instances** tab, on the **Managed** instances section, you can also select several instances at once and click **Edit Owner, Edit Location** or **Edit Credentials** for a faster edition of these fields. For more information about what you can do on the **Managed** Instances view, refer to Managed instances.



Editing Owner, Location and Comments

You can define owner, location, and comments when you register an instance; however, if you did not typed them before, or you want to change any of these fields, go to the respective sections on the **Edit instance properties** window, make the necessary changes, and then click **SAVE**.

SQL connection credentials

These credentials allow you to connect to SQL Server instances to collect availability, capacity, and configuration data. When you register an instance, you define these credentials; however, you can change them later on the **Edit instance properties** window.

You can choose between a SQL Elements service account, a Windows user account, or a SQL Server login account. The last two options require that you provide the respective login and password.



Note

When SQL Elements has the auto-registration option enabled, it uses the SQL Elements service account as the default SQL connection credentials.

WMI connection credentials

These credentials allow you to connect to the computer that hosts the SQL Server instance, and collect its performance and computer details. When you register an instance, you define these credentials; however, you can change them later on the **Edit instance properties** window.

You can choose between a SQL Elements service account or a Windows user account. You need to provide a login and password for the Windows user account.



Note

When SQL Elements has the auto-registration option enabled, it uses the SQL Elements service account as the default WMI connection credentials.



Minimum requirements

For more information on what permissions you need for any of these accounts, click here.