

# Get started

Use the following checklist to guide you through the process of getting started with IDERA SQL Secure.

✓	<b>Follow these steps ...</b>
✓	Register the SQL Server instances whose security models you want to assess and audit.
✓	Configure <a href="#">snapshots</a> to collect audit data from the registered instances.
✓	Find security issues using the default <a href="#">All Servers policy</a> .
✓	Create <a href="#">custom policies</a> to assess compliance to specific security regulations.
✓	Save <a href="#">assessments</a> for policies you want to use in your audit process.
✓	Compare <a href="#">assessments</a> to identify changes over time.
✓	Perform forensic analysis of your security model using the <a href="#">Permissions Explorer</a> .
✓	Discover vulnerabilities using the <a href="#">built-in reports</a> .

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