

# How to manage discovery credentials

IDERA SQL Inventory Manager allows you to specify alternate credentials to use during the discovery process in case the original credentials are not valid. **Manage Discovery Credentials** lets you enter multiple discovery credentials and specify the order in which you want IDERA SQL Inventory Manager to attempt to use when connecting to a server.

To configure these options, go to **Manage Discovery Credentials** on the **Administration** tab.

The **Manage Discovery Credentials** window opens and displays a list of credentials that IDERA SQL Inventory Manager should use during discovery when attempting to connect to an instance. Credentials are used in the order in which they display, so make sure that the credentials appear in the proper order. To move a set of credentials, check that line, and then click **Move Up** or **Move Down** from the action menu.

## Add credentials for discovery

The Manage Discovery Credentials window allows you to add credentials for discovering SQL Server instances. Click **Add** and IDERA SQL Inventory Manager displays the Add Discovery Credentials dialog box. Type the user name and password, confirm the password, and then click **Save**.

## Change credentials password

Select one or more sets of credentials when you need to change a password. IDERA SQL Inventory Manager changes the password for all checked credentials. Click **Change Password** in the action menu, and IDERA SQL Inventory Manager displays the Change Password dialog box. Make the appropriate changes, and then click **Save**.

## Remove credentials

If you want to remove a set of credentials from IDERA SQL Inventory Manager, select the appropriate set or sets of credentials, and then click **Remove**. Verify that the correct credentials are displayed in the confirmation message, and then click **Yes**.

IDERA [SQL Inventory Manager](#) lets you discover and visualize your SQL Server environment. [Learn more](#) > >

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