

How to manage discovery of new instances

If you want to register all SQL Server instances every time new ones are discovered, SQL Elements allows you to automatically register them as they are continuously discovered.

To turn on this option, go to the **Administration** tab, and click the option **Enable Automatic registration** located on the **Discovery** section.

From the moment you enable this option, SQL Elements begins registering newly discovered instances.



SQL Elements does not register instances that were discovered before turning on the **Automatic Instance registration** option and does not register more instances than the number available for your license.

ADMINISTRATION

Users
Give users permission to use SQL Elements. Create, edit and delete users and subscribe to alerts using the Manage Users action.
[Manage Users](#)

Instances
SQL Elements monitors SQL Server instances and their host computers. Add instances to be monitored using the Add SQL Server Instance action.
[Add SQL Server Instance](#)

Alert Emails
SQL Elements can send email alerts to inform users about critical issues such as availability problems. To receive alert emails, you must configure alerting to use an email server available on your network and sign up to receive alert emails.
[Configure email \(SMTP\) settings](#)
[Subscribe to alerts](#)
[Manage Subscriptions For All Users](#)

Health Checks
SQL Elements performs health checks against your monitored instances. You can control at a global level whether health checks are performed. Note that disabling a health check will also stop alert emails from being sent for the health check.
[Manage Health Checks](#)

Licensing
A license is required to access SQL Elements features. View license status and add a license key using the Manage License action.
[Manage License](#)

Tags
Tags are used in SQL Elements to group SQL Servers and help you organize your managed instances. Create, view, edit and delete tags and their associated instances using the Manage Tags action.
[Manage Tags](#)

Discovery
SQL Elements automatically discovers instances on your network. You can trigger instance discovery manually below. You can also configure SQL Elements to automatically monitor all newly discovered instances.
[Enable Automatic Registration](#)
[Discover instances](#)

When you enable this option, SQL Elements automatically registers newly discovered instances but it does not assign them owner, location, or any other tags; additionally, they are all registered using SQL Elements service credentials. You can later add or change this information individually from the [Editing properties](#) window or by editing several instances at once from the **Instances** view, for more information refer to [Managed instances](#).



Tip

If you want to get the latest discovered instances, you can trigger the instance discovery job by clicking **Discover instances** on the same section