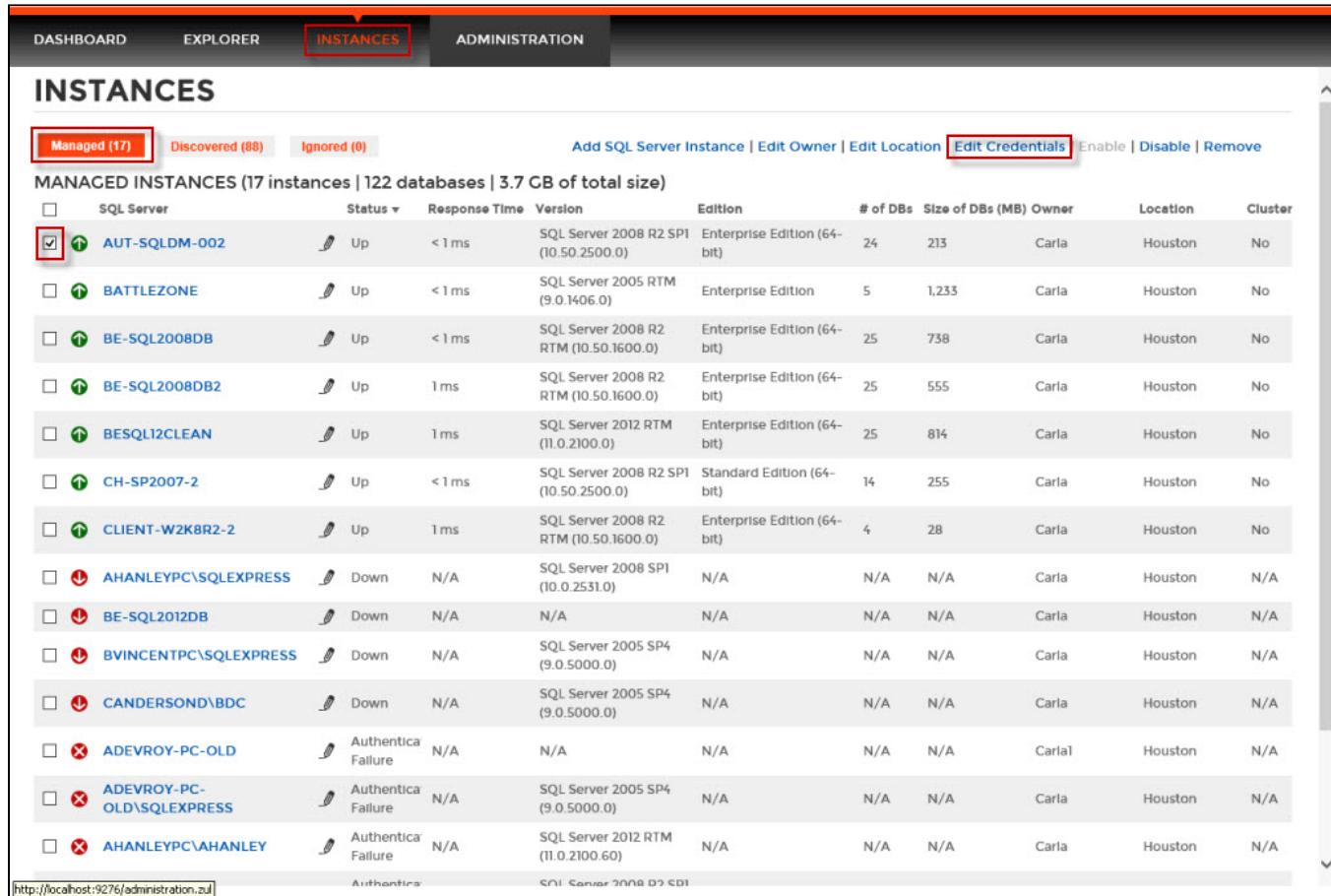


Changing credentials

When you register an instance, you define certain credentials, or if you have the auto-registration option enabled, SQL Elements registers your instances using the **SQL Elements service account** as the default connection credentials.

If you need to change these credentials, you can change them directly by clicking **Edit Credentials** on the **Managed** section of the **Instances** tab. Note that to have this option enabled, you must select before those instances whose credentials you want to change.



The screenshot shows the SQL Elements interface with the 'INSTANCES' tab selected. The 'Managed' section is highlighted with a red box. A specific instance, 'AUT-SQLDM-002', is selected and also highlighted with a red box. The 'Edit Credentials' button for this instance is also highlighted with a red box. The table lists various SQL Server instances with their status, response time, version, edition, number of databases, size, owner, location, and cluster information.

Instance Name	Status	Response Time	Version	Edition	# of DBs	Size of DBs (MB)	Owner	Location	Cluster
AUT-SQLDM-002	Up	< 1 ms	SQL Server 2008 R2 SP1 (10.50.2500.0)	Enterprise Edition (64-bit)	24	213	Carla	Houston	No
BATTLEZONE	Up	< 1 ms	SQL Server 2005 RTM (9.0.1406.0)	Enterprise Edition	5	1,233	Carla	Houston	No
BE-SQL2008DB	Up	< 1 ms	SQL Server 2008 R2 RTM (10.50.1600.0)	Enterprise Edition (64-bit)	25	738	Carla	Houston	No
BE-SQL2008DB2	Up	1 ms	SQL Server 2008 R2 RTM (10.50.1600.0)	Enterprise Edition (64-bit)	25	555	Carla	Houston	No
BESQL12CLEAN	Up	1 ms	SQL Server 2012 RTM (11.0.2100.0)	Enterprise Edition (64-bit)	25	814	Carla	Houston	No
CH-SP2007-2	Up	< 1 ms	SQL Server 2008 R2 SP1 (10.50.2500.0)	Standard Edition (64-bit)	14	255	Carla	Houston	No
CLIENT-W2K8R2-2	Up	1 ms	SQL Server 2008 R2 RTM (10.50.1600.0)	Enterprise Edition (64-bit)	4	28	Carla	Houston	No
AHANLEYPC\SQLEXPRESS	Down	N/A	SQL Server 2008 SP1 (10.0.2531.0)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Carla	Houston	N/A
BE-SQL2012DB	Down	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Carla	Houston	N/A
BVINCENTPC\SQLEXPRESS	Down	N/A	SQL Server 2005 SP4 (9.0.5000.0)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Carla	Houston	N/A
CANDERSOND\BDC	Down	N/A	SQL Server 2005 SP4 (9.0.5000.0)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Carla	Houston	N/A
ADEVROY-PC-OLD	Authentica Failure	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Carla	Houston	N/A
ADEVROY-PC-OLD\SQLEXPRESS	Authentica Failure	N/A	SQL Server 2005 SP4 (9.0.5000.0)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Carla	Houston	N/A
AHANLEYPC\AHANLEY	Authentica Failure	N/A	SQL Server 2012 RTM (11.0.2100.60)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Carla	Houston	N/A

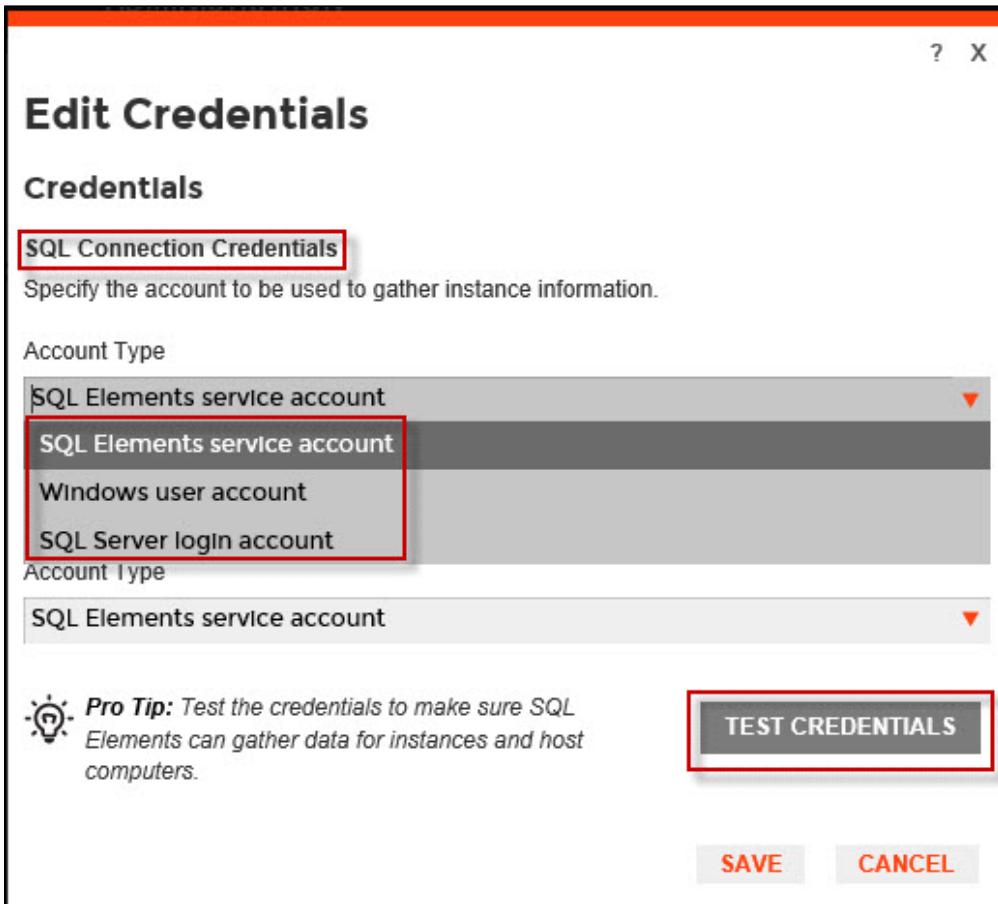
SQL Elements opens the **Edit Credentials** window where you can change your:

- SQL Connection Credentials
- WMI Connection Credentials

SQL Connection Credentials

These credentials allow you to connect to SQL Server instances to collect availability, capacity, and configuration data. To change these credentials, follow these steps:

- Go to the **SQL Connection Credentials** section.
- 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.
- After you define your **SQL Connection Credentials**, you can click **TEST CREDENTIALS** to make sure SQL Elements can use these credentials to gather data.



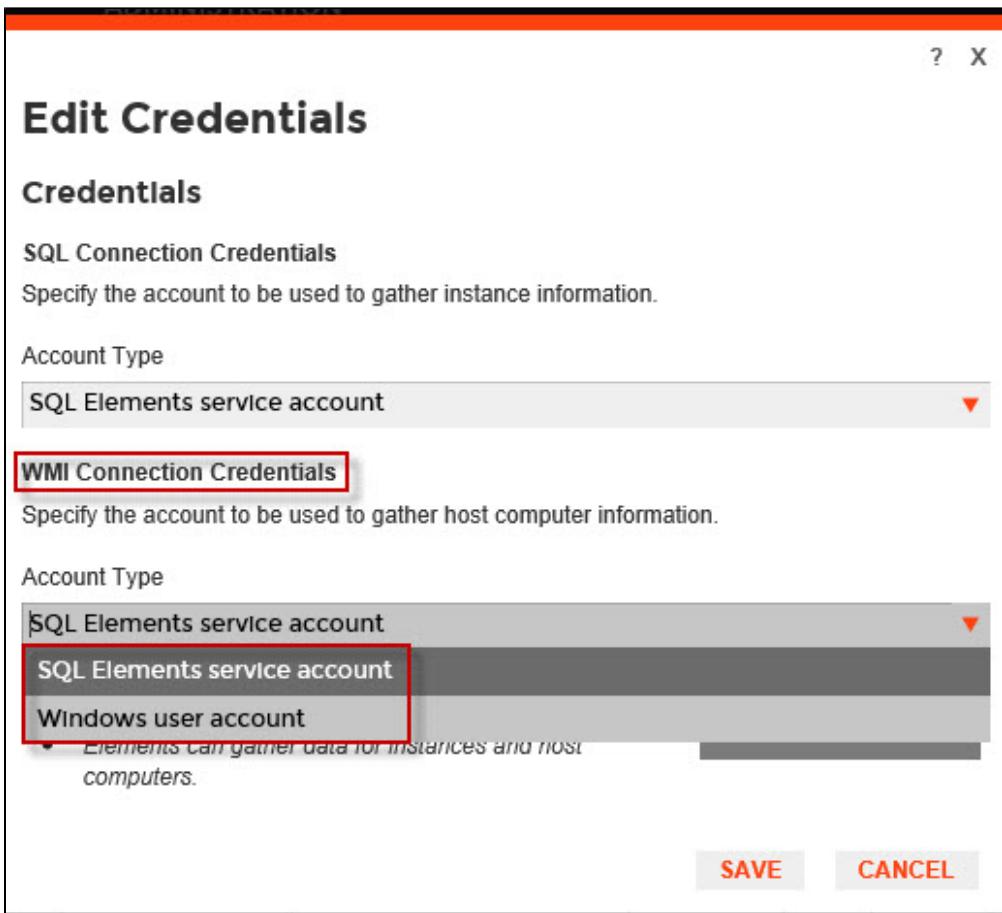
Note

When you have the [auto-registration option enabled](#), SQL Elements 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 in order to collect its performance and computer details. To change these credentials, follow these steps:

- Go to the **WMI Connection Credentials** section.
- You can choose between a SQL Elements service account or a Windows user account, if you choose the latter, you need to provide a login and password.
- After you define your **WMI Connection Credentials**, you can click **TEST CREDENTIALS** to make sure SQL Elements can use these credentials to gather data from host computers.



Note

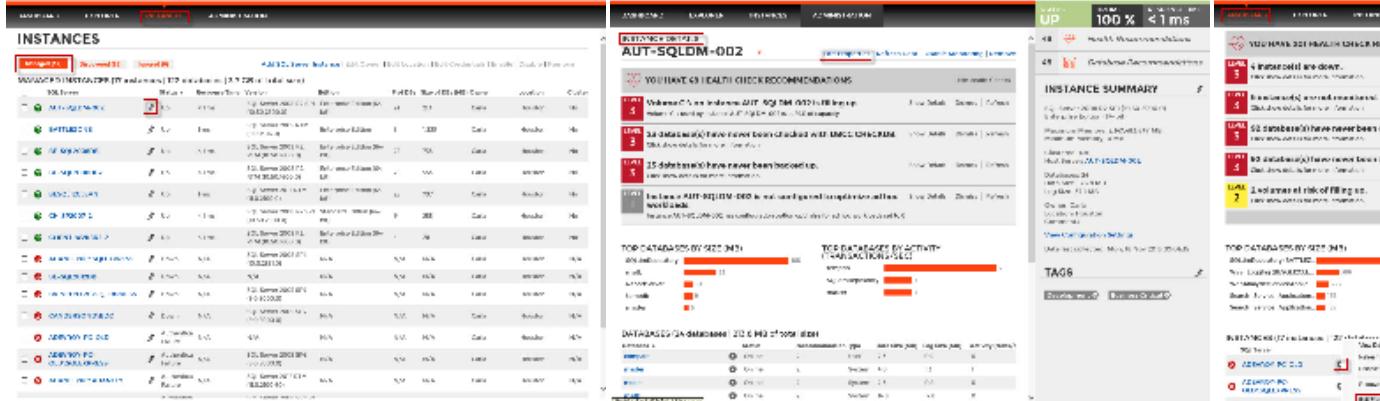
When you have the **auto-registration** option enabled, SQL Elements uses the **SQL Elements service account** as the default WMI connection credentials.

You can also change credentials by accessing the **Edit Properties** window located on the following views:

- **Instances** tab - **Managed** section - Pencil icon next to the instance name.
- **Instance details** - Top right section of the window.
- **Dashboard** - gear icon next to the instance name.

Keep in mind that the **Edit Properties** window allows you to change credentials only for a specific instance. If you want to change connection credentials to several instances at once, use the **Edit credentials** option explained in this section.

Below you can see the tabs and sections where you can find the **Edit Properties** window. Click the image to view full size.





Minimum requirements

For more information on what minimum requirements you need for these accounts, click [here](#).