

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 screenshot shows the IDERA SQL Inventory Manager web interface. The top navigation bar includes 'DASHBOARD', 'SQLINVENTORYMANAGER(SIM181)', and a user welcome message. The main navigation tabs are 'OVERVIEW', 'EXPLORER', 'INSTANCES', and 'ADMINISTRATION'. The 'ADMINISTRATION' tab is active, showing a grid of configuration sections: Users, Instances, Alert Emails, Health Checks, Licensing, Tags, Discovery, and Custom Inventory Fields. In the 'Discovery' section, the 'Manage Discovery Credentials' link is highlighted with a red rectangular box.

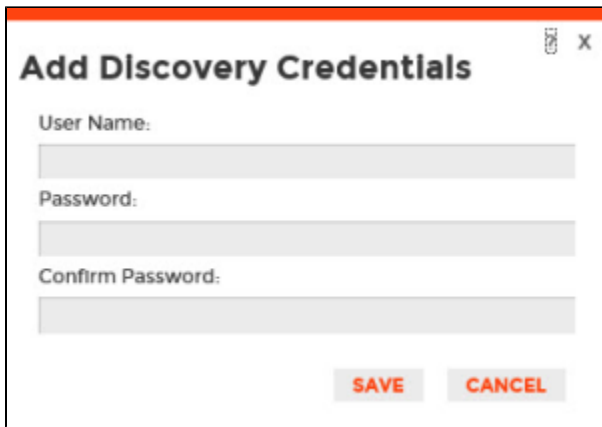
The **Manage Discovery Credentials** window opens and displays a list of credentials that IDERA SQL Inventory Manager should use during discovery when attempting to connect to an instance. Credentials are used in the order in which they display, so make sure that the credentials appear in the proper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

The screenshot shows the 'Manage Discovery Credentials' dialog box. On the left is a dark sidebar with 'Tips' in white text, providing instructions on how to use multiple credentials and how to adjust their order. The main area has a title bar with a question mark and a close button. Below the title bar are action links: 'Add', 'Change Password', 'Remove', 'Move Up', and 'Move Down'. A table lists the credentials with checkboxes for selection. The first credential, 'Simpsons\Administrator', is selected. The second is 'SPT\Administrator'. At the bottom right are 'SAVE' and 'CLOSE' buttons.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Login Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Simpsons\Administrator
<input type="checkbox"/>	SPT\Administrator

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**.

A dialog box titled "Add Discovery Credentials" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. It contains three input fields: "User Name:", "Password:", and "Confirm Password:". At the bottom, there are two buttons: "SAVE" and "CANCEL".

Add Discovery Credentials

User Name:

Password:

Confirm Password:

SAVE **CANCEL**

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**.

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

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