

License Types

The Altium Designer licensing system features three distinct license types:

▪ **On-Demand** – client-side license acquisition is administered by an Altium managed server. There are two 'modes' when using a seat of an *On-Demand* license:

- *On-Demand* – a seat of an On-Demand license acquired by any client computer, only while you are signed in to your account. When you sign out, the seat is released so that another user can acquire it.
- *Roaming* – a seat of an On-Demand license acquired for a specified time. In this mode, you can sign out and work offline, in essence roaming freely with your acquired seat

▪ **Standalone** – client-side license acquisition is managed by the user through use of a licensing file (*.alf). This file can be saved, copied and backed-up as required. The .alf file is reusable on a home computer (in accordance with the [EULA](#)) simply by copying the file to a specific folder on that computer and then adding the file as part of Standalone License Configuration.

▪ **Private Server** – client-side license acquisition is administered by a user-managed server. Your administrator sets up a Private License Server to access and use *Private Server* licenses. Once the license is in use on the server, that server will then serve the license to local computers. Users on the local network do not need to sign in to their Altium accounts to acquire the seats from the Private License Server.



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