Microsoft Cloud License Assessment

This no-cost consultation leverages the power of Quest On Demand License Management to help you prepare for consolidation and migration projects, as well as provide actionable intelligence to ensure future license management tasks are efficient and license expenditures are right-sized.

How does the assessment work?

In deference to the busy schedules of the hardworking professionals balancing business needs with business spend – our License Strategy assessment is designed to be lightweight (nothing to install), intuitive, and actionable - you get a report card!

Our cloud-platform Quest On Demand License Management is leveraged to generate insights detailing the current inventory of licenses, product and services entitlements, the utilization of licenses throughout your enterprise, and much more.

An experienced consultant will review the findings with you and help identify opportunities for optimization.

At no point during the engagement will any changes be made to environments involved in assessment activities.

Assessment checklist

On Demand License Management normalizes Microsoft license reporting and usage metrics to bring the full licensing picture into focus.

By developing a data-driven license strategy, you can deliver greater user productivity *and* increased ROI

The following is recommended to deliver a meaningful assessment:

- Invite a multi-disciplinary group to take part in the assessment, such as IT, license admins, compliance and finance.
- Administrative access to Azure AD
  - Quest On Demand leverages Microsoft's best practices Azure Application Consent security model
- Microsoft Unified Audit Logging must be enabled in the Microsoft Azure portal.
  - For details, see this Microsoft article.

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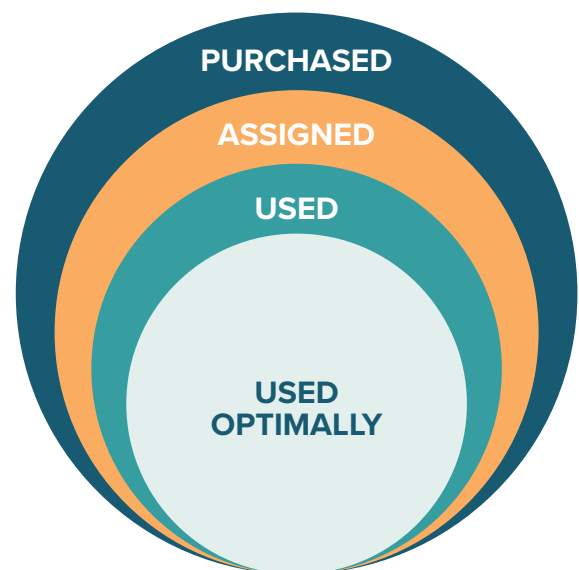
An organization with 5,000 users that maintains a 15% availability pool of basic Enterprise E3 licenses could be spending >$200,000 per year unnecessarily.

ISO standards center around establishing an Information Security Management System (ISMS), for all legal, physical and technical controls.

Quest On Demand conforms to industry best practices for management and security - our priority is keeping your data secure and confidential.

Assessment focus

License strategy

- Identify products which are underutilized or have sharply declining/climbing usage

- Uncover waste such as redundant product entitlements and disabled accounts with assigned licenses

- Audit add-on/self-service purchases, and reconcile their cost and value

- Streamline license lifecycle management across multiple tenants

Platform security strategy

- Extend your assessment to include critical settings and policies, and security auditing

- Implement best practices checks for critical groups, Teams, SharePoint, etc.

- Identify anomalous activity so corrective actions can be taken to minimize threats

Post assessment

On Demand License Management is not designed solely to facilitate one-off assessments, but rather as a constant companion to technology and finance admins, to easily and continually assess their licensing strategy and respond to change.

That's why our consultants are here to orient and enable your team with the solutions used to deliver assessments – so you're able to take advantage of their capabilities for up to six months following the engagement at no cost!

Subscription terms and costs can be provided by your Quest account team.

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