



# Release Notes

## Prism Suite® v.13

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## Helpful Links

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## New Features in Prism Suite 13.0

1. **Secured Task Groups** - Prism Suite's granular, role-based security model is extended with Task Group security to insure that sensitive or mission-critical deployment tasks can be made accessible only to experienced Prism Suite administrators, eliminating the possibility of inadvertent deployment actions that light up the help desk. Task Group security works by preserving a role's overall task-related permissions, while still protecting individual tasks in secured Task Groups. For example, the Help Desk role in a healthcare organization can be allowed to deploy most tasks, but be restricted from deploying any of the EMR applications. This extension of Prism Suite's security uses the same model that is used for Computer Group security, introduced in 2011.
2. **New Windows Installer (MSI) task wizard** leads Prism Suite users through a simple process for creating and configuring MSI application deployments. Windows Installer deployments can be complex to get right, because they support numerous command-line parameters, and they behave differently depending on the OS of the target computer and its User Account Control (UAC) setting. The new wizard eliminates the configuration complexity! Once the Windows Installer task configured for deployment, the New Boundary Technologies client handles the rest and does the right thing for the target OS platform and UAC level.

## Customer-Requested Product Enhancements

1. The Prism Suite installation now installs SQL Server 2008 R2-Express.
2. When creating a configuration group using the <registry value> type, it's no longer necessary to create a compound rule specifying both the 32- and 64-bit syntax. Both "views" of the registry are now supported with a single rule.
3. Configuration group rules can now contain up to 4000 characters, supporting longer compound rulesets.
4. It is now possible to right-click on a task group to create a new task for that group.
5. When creating a new task, the task properties window automatically opens when the task is saved, providing a more seamless process for creating and configuring a task.
6. When importing License Unit purchase information, the purchase date is now automatically set to today's date.
7. When importing non-scannable asset data, you can now choose to add new records or update existing ones. This functionality is available by adding a registry value to the system where the Prism

Console is installed. We've created a new knowledge base article explaining how to do it: [How to Update Existing Non-scannable Assets via Importing](#)

8. The IPAddress field is now included by default in the Hardware All Details report.
9. The "What's Changed" hardware reports now include information about computers that were added since the starting baseline.
10. User-defined fields from scanned computers on the Assets tab can now be included on the Managed tab by choosing *More Fields*.
11. The *Custom Inventory Request* section of Prism Suite's documentation has been updated with more complete information about using WMI classes and properties to customize hardware inventory scans.

### **Bug Fixes**

1. The Prism Server no longer tries to process inventory information for computers that have been deleted from the Channel.
2. The Software License Usage report now excludes information on computers that have been deleted from the Channel.
3. Two issues were fixed that related to adding WMI classes and properties to hardware inventory configurations.
4. Occasionally the tabs in the Prism Console would have missing icons or the wrong icons. This issue is fixed.
5. Under some circumstances, a command task would not run as the designated elevated account. This issue is fixed.
6. In some scenarios, a configuration group using the following value would cause tasks to remain pending: <WMI> Win32\_VideoController.VideoModeDescription. This issue is fixed.
7. A scenario that caused the New Boundary Client to not launch properly when a user logged in is fixed.
8. The Task Quick View report has been fixed to sort properly and to remove duplicates.
9. A correction was made to the way the New Boundary Client handles certain shortcut files when they are deployed through a Prism package.
10. The Unresolved Files dialog now correctly processes requests to Ignore This File and Stop Ignoring This File.