

# **You are responsible – Easy access to the SPUR**

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## Introduction

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Subscription licensing sits at the heart of the commercial services that are offered by the Service Providers supported by NewLease. As with all software, compliance with the terms of use is mandatory. However despite this and the important role of the software assets, usage reporting is based on a trust model. This relies on the service provider to maintain compliance and to optimise their reporting by using the best licensing terms.

From talking and working with service providers it is clear that despite a desire to be **compliant** and **optimised** there is a lack of clarity around licensing terms and conditions.

Consistent with the NewLease mission to:

Reduce Complexity for our partners and make it easier for them to focus on their businesses

We are creating papers such as this that focus on specific areas of compliance and optimisation.

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## Overview

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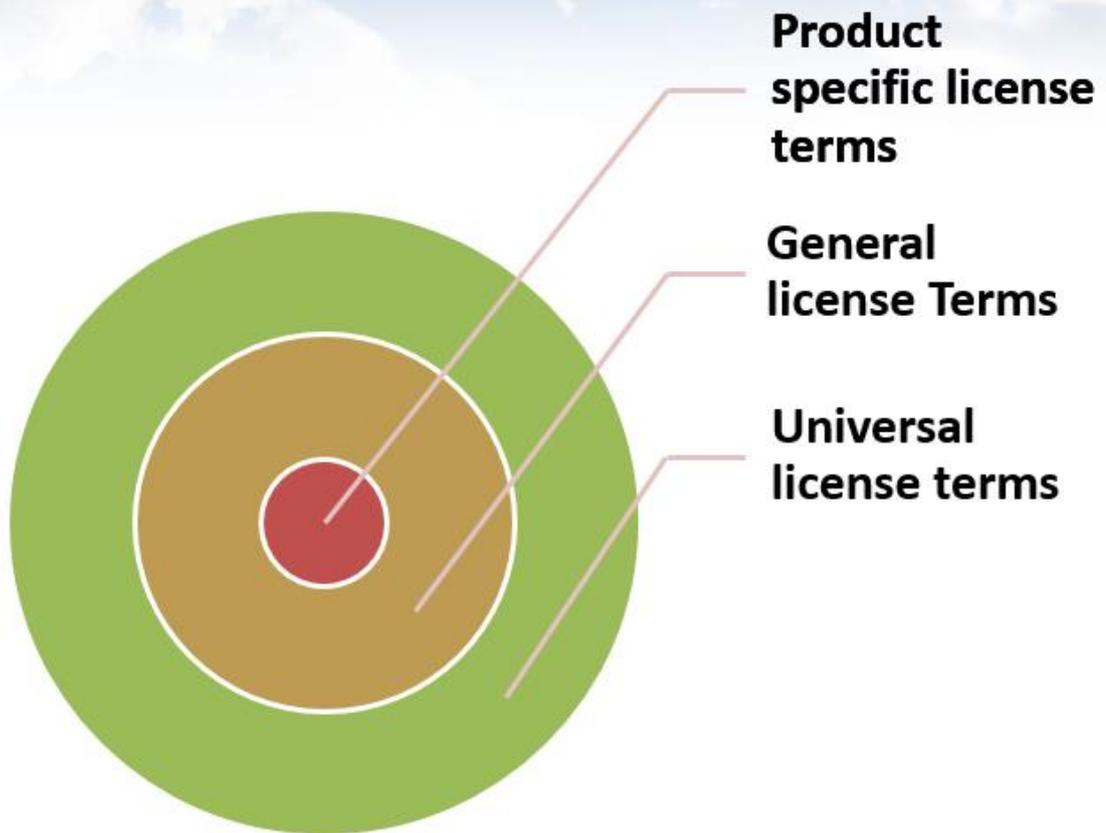
Microsoft are clear that it is the responsibility of the Service Provider to ensure that they are compliant with the SPLA licensing terms. A key value add of NewLease is to support our partners in understanding these licensing terms. However it is important to understand that NewLease advice cannot replace the underlying responsibility of the service provider to get things right.

In the world of SPLA licensing the SPUR (Service Provider User Rights) document is one of THE key reference materials.

The SPUR is structured around 3 sections; Universal, General and Product specific. It is important to realize details in one section cannot be read in isolation. To correctly understand the use rights of products available on the SPLA program all 3 of these sections need to be referenced and considered.

- **Universal License Terms** - These are license terms that apply to every product (except where specifically noted in the General License Terms and/or Product-specific License Terms).
- **General License Terms** - These are license terms that apply to all products licensed under a given model except where specifically noted in the Product-specific License Terms.
- **Product-specific License Terms** - These are license terms that apply specifically to the product or products under which they are listed.

# Understand your use rights - SPUR



## **Easy access to the SPUR**

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When joining the SPLA program a Service provider will have been provided with a copy of the SPUR. However we all know that documents can be “filed” and difficult to find when we need them. The good news is that copies of the current (and historic) versions of the SPUR can be found at:

<http://www.microsoftvolumelicensing.com/DocumentSearch.aspx?Mode=3&DocumentTypeId=2>

If you want to see previous versions of the SPUR then you need to select the “Show Archived” checkbox.

# About Licensing

## Product Licensing Search

Product Licensing Web is now Product Licensing Search, providing quick access to licensing terms, conditions and supplemental information relevant to the use of products licensed through Microsoft Volume Licensing programs.

Document Search  **Product Search**

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Title	Language	Sectors	Regions
ServicesProviderUseRights(Worldwide)(English)(January2014)	English	Third Party	North America , EU-EFTA , MEA-EE, WW, EMEA, NZ, India, AUS
ServicesProviderUseRights(Worldwide)(Chinese Simplified)(January2014)	Chinese Simplified	Third Party	Asia , PRC, MLY
ServicesProviderUseRights(Worldwide)(French)(January2014)	French	Third Party	North America , EU-EFTA , MEA-EE, WW, EMEA
ServicesProviderUseRights(Worldwide)(Japanese)(January2014)	Japanese	Third Party	Asia , Japan
ServicesProviderUseRights(Worldwide)(Korean)(January2014)	Korean	Third Party	Asia , KOR
ServicesProviderUseRights(Worldwide)(Portuguese Brazil)(January2014)	Portuguese Brazil	Third Party	LatAm, Brazil
ServicesProviderUseRights(Worldwide)(Russian)(January2014)	Russian	Third Party	MEA-EE, EMEA
ServicesProviderUseRights(Worldwide)(Spanish)(January2014)	Spanish	Third Party	EU-EFTA , WW, LatAm, EMEA

### Product Specific Customised copies of the SPUR

Whilst an understanding of the whole of the SPUR is important it can be overwhelming when you are trying to understand the usage rights for a specific product.

To fully understand the usage rights for a specific product you CANNOT simply reference the specific product terms. You need to review the Universal, General and Product specific terms.

This can be complex and hence open to the risk of missing key terms. Again the good news is that Microsoft have provided a tool to create customized versions of the SPUR.

<http://spur.microsoft.com/products.aspx>

This allows you to select specific products and then the tool extract the relevant terms from each of the Universal, General and Product specific sections.

HOWEVER this customized product report will not necessarily include dependent products so you will need to be aware of these to get the full picture e.g. SQL Server requires Windows.

## Example for Microsoft SQL Server Standard (Core)

For example if you wanted to understand the usage rights for Microsoft SQL Server Standard under core licensing:

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Select products you would like to include and click "Next" you will then be able to download and/or print your document

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Per Processor License Model	<input type="checkbox"/> SharePoint Server 2013
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Per Core License Model	<input type="checkbox"/> SQL Server 2012 Business Intelligence
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Subscriber Access License (SAL) Model (Non-Online Services Products)	<input type="checkbox"/> SQL Server 2012 Enterprise
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SQL Server 2012 Standard(Per Core)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Host/Guest License Model	<input type="checkbox"/> SQL Server 2012 Standard(SAL)
	<input type="checkbox"/> SQL Server 2012 Web
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	<input type="checkbox"/> System Center 2012 R2 Configuration Manager
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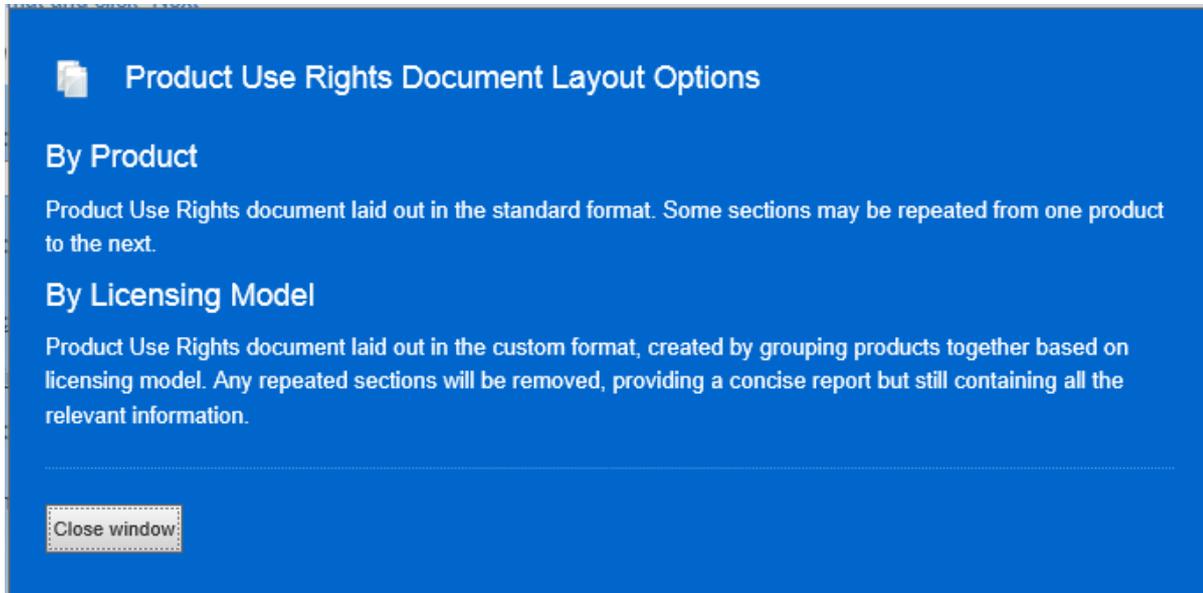
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The “document format” options are explained below. You may wish to try both formats to see which works for you.

A screenshot of a software dialog box titled "Product Use Rights Document Layout Options". The dialog has a blue background and white text. It contains two main sections: "By Product" and "By Licensing Model". The "By Product" section states: "Product Use Rights document laid out in the standard format. Some sections may be repeated from one product to the next." The "By Licensing Model" section states: "Product Use Rights document laid out in the custom format, created by grouping products together based on licensing model. Any repeated sections will be removed, providing a concise report but still containing all the relevant information." At the bottom left, there is a button labeled "Close window".

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Close window

As you can see there is an option to either view online or to create a Word document for future reference.