

## Announcement on Siemens PLM Simcenter Environment Products

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Dear Simcenter Customers,

As you have experienced, solver environments in Simcenter provide a unique and powerful way for users to interact with solvers of their choice – such as NX Nastran, MSC Nastran, Ansys, Abaqus, Samcef, LS-DYNA, Simcenter Thermal and Simcenter Flow. We believe the environments offer significant value to you and we continue to improve and expand their capabilities with each release.

**With Simcenter 12 we have made several changes to the licensing of the Nastran, Ansys, and Abaqus environment products that you should be aware of.**

As background, the intent of the environment products has been for each Simcenter Engineering Desktop license to be accompanied by an environment license for the solver an analyst regularly uses. The license checking for most solver environments results in this behavior but until v12, the Nastran, Ansys, and Abaqus environment licensing was not implemented corresponding to that intent. With the release of Simcenter 12 we made a change to correct the implementation.

**Importantly, the change made for v12 only affects new license purchases. All existing licenses of these environments will continue to operate as they always have.**

Here are the specific changes that have been implemented:

### **Nastran Environment**

Starting with Simcenter 12, the environment for NX Nastran solutions comes as part of all Simcenter Desktop Engineering licenses (SC12500, SC12510, SC13500, and SC13510). NX Nastran is our flagship solver and is used by most all Engineering Desktop users, thus it is appropriate to package the capability as part of Engineering Desktop. This change will apply to all versions of Simcenter for all licenses of Engineering Desktop that are current on maintenance as of v12.

A Nastran environment will still be needed for solutions with MSC Nastran. The current Simcenter Environment for Nastran (SC30509) can be used for MSC Nastran solutions but will no longer be available for purchase after v12. Customers can continue to use existing licenses as long as they stay on maintenance. For new licenses, customers can purchase a dedicated Simcenter Environment for MSC Nastran (SC30549).

### **Ansys and Abaqus Environment**

The current Simcenter Environment for Ansys (SC30510) can still be used for Ansys solutions but will no longer be available for purchase upon the release of v12. Customers can continue to use

existing licenses as long as they stay on maintenance. For new licenses, customers can purchase the Simcenter Environment for Ansys (SC30550).

Similarly, current Simcenter Environment for Abaqus (SC30511) can still be used for Abaqus solutions but will no longer be available for purchase upon the release of v12. Customers can continue to use existing licenses as long as they stay on maintenance. For new licenses, customers can purchase the Simcenter Environment for Abaqus (SC30551).

Siemens PLM Software values the trust you have placed in us and we continue to work hard to earn that trust. Thank you for your continued business as we look forward to helping you use Siemens simulation tools to engineer and develop new and exciting products.

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