How Remote Is Novell Remote Manager?

The “You Want It? You’ve Got It!” section of the “Novell Remote Manager: Remote Control for NetWare Servers” article says that NetWare 5— I am assuming 5.0— can be managed via the NetWare Management Portal. The article goes on to say that Novell showed how the portal works using NetWare 5.1. (See Novell Connection, Sept. 2001, pp. 14–29.) Can you tell me if the portal feature is available in NetWare 5.0 and if so, how to implement this feature?

Raffi Mesdjian

Unfortunately, NetWare Management Portal is not available for NetWare 5.0—although by stating that NetWare is Management Portal is included with NetWare 5, I imply that it is. I sincerely regret any confusion this non-specificity caused.

Cheryl Walton, author

A Great Article and a Great Product

I just finished reading “NIMS 3.0: As Easy To Manage as It Is To Use” (Novell Connection, Nov. 2001, pp. 28–37). This was a great article for a seemingly equally great product. Although the article mentions an anti-spam agent, it does not mention anti-virus e-mail checking. Does NIMS 3.0 have this feature implemented as an agent by Novell or by a third party?

J. Lacombe

Thanks for your message. In response to your question, NIMS 3.0.2, which should now be available, integrates with Computer Associates’ InoculateIT, Netware Associates’ McAfee, and Symantec’s CarrierScan anti-virus engines. You can configure the NIMS anti-virus agent to use whichever one of these engines you’re running (assuming, of course, you’re running any of them).

Linda Kennard, author

A Little Ahead of Its Time

The Novell iFolder article (“Novell iFolder: Your Data Where You Want It, When You Want It,” Novell Connection, May 2001, pp. 6–20) states that you can configure the security options to create an iFolder “encrypted with pass phrase using an escrowed key.” I have been unable to find this option and also asked various iFolder support personnel about this feature. No one seems to be aware of its existence. Was the author using a beta version? If so, will this feature be made available in future versions?

Tony Marsillo

You’re right! The article indicated that you could set a security option that would enable users to create personal iFolders that were “encrypted with pass phrase using an escrowed key.” I was writing the article while Novell iFolder was in beta, and this option didn’t make the final release of the product. However, product manager Jeff Hawkins says Novell is working on including this option in a future release.

Linda Kennard, author

GroupWise Support

I was just leafing through my Novell Connection magazine, and I saw the “GroupWise Add-ons” article (Nov. 2001, p. 45). As an administrator for a high-profile GroupWise post office at my office, I am always looking for ways to enable my users to be more productive and to extend more features and benefits to these users.

The products mentioned in the article are all excellent products that I have used, am using, or have friends using. However, I was surprised that the Nexic products were not mentioned. As a provider of Symphony 5.5 and Printing Press to my users, I can only tell you what my users say. “Wow!” “Awesome!” and “Thanks so much” are common expressions of support from our users.

Lindsey Johnstone

Due to space constraints, we can list only a few GroupWise add-on products in each issue. We have featured Nexic products in a couple of other issues. See the GroupWise News sections in the Sept. 2001 issue (p. 46) and in the Dec. 2001 issue (p. 44).