Novell ZENworks Patch Management

Threats happen. And they’re coming at you faster all the time. Patches are your best protection against vulnerability, but you’ve got even more patches coming at you than threats. Keeping up and keeping safe seem like impossible missions.

Novell ZENworks Patch Management at a glance:

Avoid wearing through your system’s patches:
- Speed up the process by implementing patches across the enterprise.
- Save money by using one patch management solution, not one for each platform or OS.
- Stop worrying about patches around the clock. Just set policies and move on.

Buy it individually or as a part of:
- Novell ZENworks Suite

Two things leave you wide open to patch disaster: threat velocity and patch decay. Threat velocity is the speed at which threats come at you—there are more now, and they’re moving faster every day. Patch decay is the speed at which systems wear through their patches and wind up completely unprotected.

If you’re patching by hand, there’s no way to keep up with what’s coming at you. Even if you’re using traditional patch management, it had better be scanning the landscape 24 hours a day, because you may not catch a threat in time otherwise.

Beat the Threat Clock

Novell® ZENworks® Patch Management watches your back, patching everything you’ve got on your network 24 hours a day, without constant human intervention.

With its unique policy-based approach, you set up the policies, define the actions then sit back and let ZENworks do the rest:
- Establishes a security profile for every managed node on your network
- Scans for patch status

Patch management isn’t anything new, and you have plenty of tools to choose from. But only ZENworks gives you:
- Pulls from more than 10,000 patches that are pretested to work safely with what you have
- Applies the right patches to the right system or device automatically
- Verifies the status of all patch activity in real time
- Documents what you patch, so you can prove compliance for both internal and external audits
- Patches anything you put on your network instantly, bringing each new installation into compliance

A policy-based solution that applies your standards to proactively patch your systems
A single console and adaptive agents that you can access at any time from anywhere
A choice of backend platforms—including Windows, Linux, SQL, Sybase and Oracle databases
The reach to patch thousands of systems, applications and devices running in physical, virtual and cloud environments
“Recently, we had to deploy a Microsoft patch quickly and used Novell ZENworks Patch Management to get it out to all our locations in no time.”

DAN ALLENSWORTH
Infrastructure Manager
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Know It. Prove It.
According to the Yankee Group, 20 percent of your systems will become “unpatched” over the course of the year. Do you know which one will become vulnerable first? How do you prioritize what gets patched when threats are swarming your system, waiting to exploit a weakness?

With ZENworks Patch Management, you don’t have to hope you’re patched—you’ll know.

Detailed reports and real-time alerts tell you when, what and where you’re vulnerable. So if you’ve decided to wait on a patch—and haven’t told ZENworks to patch a particular application automatically—you’ll still know its status and what your options are.

You can prove it’s patched, too—without sending an army to gather patch statistics. Dynamic reports show exactly where you’re compliant and where you’re not—right down to the device.

Even when you install a new device, ZENworks automatically patches it to meet your standards, so you know it’s compliant from the moment it hits your system.

You’ve Got Patches
For every application you use, you’ll have a raft of patches to address through its lifetime. And you have a lot of applications: Windows, Oracle and SAP, just to name a few.

So if you’re using a patch tool that only does Windows—or only patches when you personally push a button to make it happen—you’ve got a problem.

ZENworks patches everything you tell it to. All the time. Even if you’re asleep at home. Could this get any easier?

We’ve Got Your Back
With ZENworks, you can make every day and every minute the time when your systems—all of them—are protected by proactive, automated patch management.

It doesn’t matter how fast threats come at you, because you’re patched all the time. It closes the holes where patch decay leaves you unprotected. To do all that manually, you’d need an army of IT people working full time, and you’d still be at risk. To do it automatically, you could use anything out there if you don’t care what happens next. But to patch and protect your systems proactively, according to the policies and standards you set in advance, you need just one tool: Novell ZENworks Patch Management.

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