

How the Pharos License Server Works

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The Pharos components connect to the License Server to verify that the software license is valid for their various tasks. The Database Server is the only service that actually communicates with the SQL Server, and all other Pharos components are written to communicate with it instead. It was created to avoid scalability issues with too many unnecessary connections to the SQL Server; it is like an SQL request broker. So if the License Server doesn't allow the Database Server to start, the clients cannot talk to the database because they do not contain code to communicate directly with SQL Server.

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