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## **Cisco Identity Services Engine Licensing**

## **Creating New Licenses**

Beginning with the release of the Identity Services Engine (ISE) Software Release 1.2, customers will have a new option to configure ISE licensing. This new enhancement improves the flexibility and resiliency of an ISE deployment.

Prior to ISE Release 1.2<sup>°</sup>, customers could only specify ISE licenses to be registered to a single ISE Administration Node (i.e., the Primary Administration Node). Now, ISE Release 1.2<sup>°</sup> delivers the capability to register ISE licenses to two Administration Nodes (i.e., Primary and Secondary<sup>°</sup> Administration Nodes). The registration of an ISE license to the Primary Administration Node remains mandatory, but the option<sup>°</sup> to register a Secondary Administrative Node is available.

The assignment of an ISE license to a Primary and Secondary (optional<sup>\*</sup>) Administration Node is accomplished during the PAK (Product Activation Key) registration process. First, go to the <u>Cisco License Administration Portal</u> and enter the PAK number. The PAK registration page will appear where you can enter the Unique Device Identifier (UDI) information for the Primary Node (mandatory) and Secondary Node (optional<sup>\*</sup>). Continue to enter the other required information.

Upon completion of this PAK registration process, a license file is emailed to the designated recipient. This license file can be uploaded to both Primary and Secondary Nodes.

## Modifying Existing ISE Licenses

Additionally, ISE customers can modify their existing licenses by accessing the <u>Cisco License Administration</u> <u>Portal</u> and select the Rehosting feature. Rehosting allows the customer to reassign an existing ISE license to another ISE appliance, acting as a Primary and/or Secondary<sup>\*</sup> Node. Customers can use the rehosting feature to modify their existing ISE license (registered to a single node) to be supported on Primary and Secondary<sup>\*</sup> ISE Administration Nodes or just a new Primary node. The license term is not changed when rehosted.

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