

Adobe® LiveCycle™ Form Manager

Simplify and speed form access across the enterprise

Hard-to-locate and incorrect versions of forms result in costly errors and lost productivity. How can you manage the seemingly endless array of forms throughout your enterprise?

USE ADOBE LIVECYCLE FORM MANAGER TO:

- Manage form-driven business processes and controls
- Simplify and speed access to forms through Web-based portal and powerful search capabilities
- Monitor business activity workflows when integrated with Adobe LiveCycle Workflow
- Eliminate redundant form-driven business processes through form revision control
- Build a complete enterprise forms solution by integrating Adobe LiveCycle Forms, Adobe LiveCycle Policy Server, Adobe LiveCycle Document Security, Adobe LiveCycle Workflow, and Adobe LiveCycle Reader Extensions

Centralize form management

Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager enables you to consolidate and store all forms—regardless of format—in a single, central repository. Whether the forms are in Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF), Hypertext Markup Language (HTML), Microsoft Office, or another format, Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager lets you publish forms, monitor versions, and control user access—all from a Web-based portal. With Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager, you can:

- Make forms easier to locate and access by publishing all forms—in their native format—to a central location
- Increase security and control access to forms by leveraging user directory information
- Enhance data accuracy and productivity with improved form version control
- Manage and monitor form-driven business processes and activities
- Participate in workflow processes when integrated with Adobe LiveCycle Workflow
- Deploy a fully automated form management and processing solution by integrating with other Adobe LiveCycle products and third-party applications

Make forms easier to locate and access

Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager provides a centralized repository where you can publish all forms—from benefits claims and loan or grant applications to travel authorizations—in their native application formats. Based on the Electronic Business eXtensible Markup Language (eBXML) Registry open standard, Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager is format-independent, enabling you to store forms without time-consuming and costly conversion.

Control access to forms with rights and privileges

By virtue of Java 2 Enterprise Edition (J2EE) container security, you can connect to a Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)-based directory server via the Java application server running Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager.

Information stored in the directory gives you control over form and workflow access rights and privileges for all users—both inside and outside the organization. The same user profile information in LDAP can be used to pre-populate forms or drive business workflows, saving time and improving data accuracy. Administrative rights can also be defined to designate workflow roles within processes involving forms. You can also assign participation rights and privileges for Adobe LiveCycle Workflow processes.

Ensure quick access to the right form and workflows—every time

Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager includes a Web-based portal interface, enabling quick and easy viewing of all available forms and their related business processes. Form users can locate and access forms by searching the repository using a variety of criteria, including document properties, titles, date and time stamps, and keywords. By ensuring that only the most recent or correct version of the form is used, Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager helps eliminate costly processing and data entry errors. Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager also speeds form rendering and submission—even when forms are completed offline when integrated with Adobe LiveCycle Forms and Adobe LiveCycle Reader Extensions.

Integrate into existing IT infrastructures

Built on J2EE and XML, Adobe LiveCycle easily integrates to enterprise infrastructures through Java application programming interfaces (APIs) and support for Web services. Deployed along with other products in the Adobe LiveCycle family, Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager is an integral part of a fully automated document storage and delivery solution. Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager also complements enterprise content management (ECM) solutions by speeding form design and publication, enabling access to blank form templates, and enhancing form data-driven workflows and business processes.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

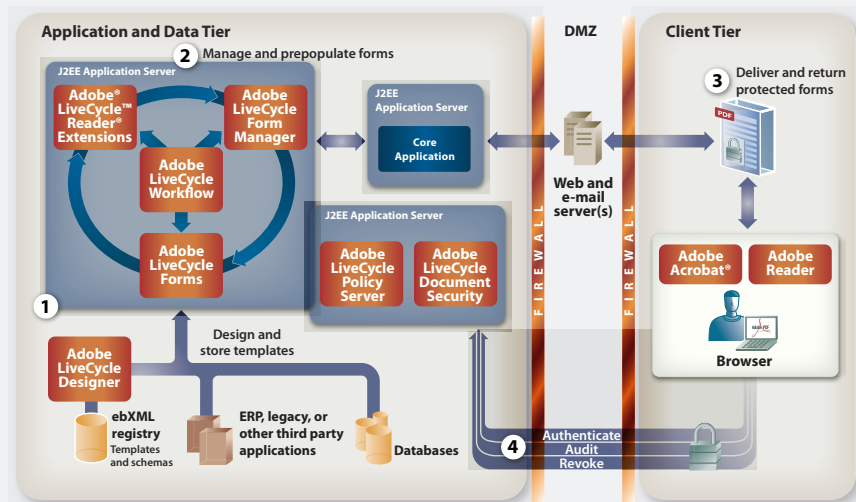
Adobe LiveCycle software supports market leading operating systems, Web application servers, and databases. For product-specific platform support and system requirements please visit: www.adobe.com/products/server/formmanager/main.html.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager and the complete line of Adobe LiveCycle products, please visit www.adobe.com/products/server.

Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager in the Enterprise

The following diagram offers a simplified view of Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager in an enterprise environment.



Step 1. Form templates are created using Adobe LiveCycle Designer or any standard design tool.

Step 2. Native application form templates are checked into Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager's central repository, which sits on top of a standard database like MySQL, IBM DB2, or Oracle. Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager provides template version control, forms management, workflow management, and monitoring tools for users via a Web-based portal. Adobe LiveCycle Workflow provides orchestration services for the Adobe LiveCycle products and automates the data-driven workflow processes between humans and business systems.

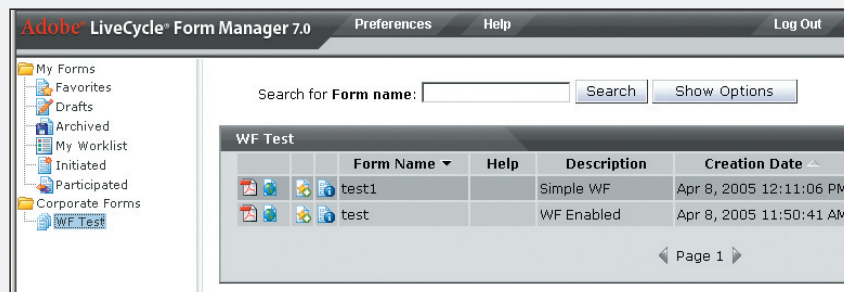
Step 3. Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager integrates with Adobe LiveCycle Forms, Adobe LiveCycle Workflow, and Adobe LiveCycle Reader Extensions, enabling users to easily complete, submit, and route electronic forms. Using free Adobe Reader or any Web browser, users can participate in the process whether online or offline.

Step 4. Adobe document control and security solutions help businesses extend security outside of core systems and beyond the firewall.

Accessing a Form Template

The following screen shot provides an end-user view of the Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager graphical user interface. Adobe LiveCycle Form Manager is easy to navigate and use, because it operates within a Web browser. It allows searching on full text for filled Adobe eForms and blank forms housed in any native application format.

- Participate in business workflows
- Manage and monitor business workflows and activities
- Enable form access controls
- Manage form templates in a structured manner, regardless of file formats
- Integrate with Adobe LiveCycle Forms, Adobe LiveCycle Policy Server, Adobe LiveCycle Workflow, Adobe LiveCycle Document Security, and Adobe LiveCycle Reader Extensions



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