

General Availability Announcement



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To: CA NetMaster® Network Management Customers
From: The CA NetMaster® Network Management Product Team
Subject: General Availability Announcement for Complete Release of CA NetMaster® Network Management Suite R12.2 0000

On behalf of CA Technologies, a Broadcom Company, we appreciate your business and the opportunity to provide you with high-quality, innovative software and services. As part of our ongoing commitment to customer success, we regularly release updated versions of our products. Today, we are pleased to announce that the 'complete' release for CA NetMaster Network Management Suite R12.2 0000 is now available. The incremental release program for NetMaster Network Management Suite R12.2 has formally concluded. All new features and maintenance introduced during the program have been incorporated into this 'complete' release for CA NetMaster Network Management R12.2 0000.

Note: Current users of CA NetMaster Network Management Suite R12.2 INC01 or INC03 incremental release do not need to reinstall the Complete Release. An install of the 12.2 Incremental Release and all PTFs up to SO07876 is functionally equivalent to an install of the Complete Release.

This Complete release includes the following products:

CA NetMaster® Network Management for TCP/IP
CA NetMaster® Network Management for SNA
CA NetMaster® Network Automation
CA NetMaster® File Transfer Management
CA SOLVE:FTS

New features for CA NetMaster Network Management Suite R12.2 0000 include:

- **Enhanced Network Encryption Insights** through support for z/OS Encryption Readiness Technology (zERT) within the NetMaster interface, enabling the enforcement of your security standards and addressing audit and compliance requirements by understanding not only that your traffic is encrypted, but how it's encrypted, with envelope information including algorithm used, key bit length, and other encryption information.
- **Improvements in Mainframe Team Center – Network Management (MTC-NM)**, including full SmartTrace functionality, enabling network engineers and administrators the ability to create, edit, start, stop, and delete SmartTraces within the web interface. In addition, network management team members have the ability to download PCAP files with a single click of the mouse.

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- **Additional SmartTrace Enhancements** including support for adding and viewing OSAENTA ethernet frames, addition of packet direction information, enhancements for additional support of SMC packet decoding, and increased maximum smart trace sizing to accommodate more complex and lengthier packet tracing requirements.
- **Support for IBM's Shared Memory Communications protocol**, specifically SMC-R and SMC-D, with stack IP performance metrics, traffic statistics, connection list criteria, device link list, and transport resource list displays.
- **Overall NetMaster Enhancements** including enhancements for supporting PCI Standard compliance; updates to support new security protocols; enhanced UNIX support for USS commands, updated messages, improved error reporting, enhancements to avoid storage-related shortages/abends, control of UNIX debug tracing; VSAM updated tracking; FIPS 140 compliance indicator; as well as numerous additional enhancements and features.
- **Advanced Machine Learning Capabilities** including adaptive thresholding to proactively warn of abnormal patterns, as well as advanced visual analytics to provide reports and dashboards enhanced with machine learning to historical data to understand activity with historical context via built in support for CA Mainframe Operational Intelligence.
- **Improvements to NetMaster Documentation** with a reorganization of the documentation to provide streamlined access to key/critical information including a quick 12.1 to 12.2 comparison chart, added information about new features easily accessed within the release notes section, and added videos to explain some of the more complex features of NetMaster, including changes in USS for 12.2 vs. previous versions of NetMaster, as well as reading unmapped files sequentially using NCL.

We also encourage you to visit the CA NetMaster Network Management product page on the CA Support portal and DocOps.ca.com.

You can download your copy of CA NetMaster Network Management Suite R12.2 0000 online at <https://support.ca.com/> where you can also utilize CA's case management system. To install your product, follow the installation procedures for your product at DocOps.ca.com. If you have any questions or require assistance, contact CA Customer Care online at <http://www.ca.com/us/customer-care.aspx>.

Should you need assistance in understanding these new features, or in implementing this latest release, CA Services and/or services partners can help. For information about how these service experts can help you, contact your CA account representative. To connect, learn, and share with other customers, join and participate in our CA NetMaster Community at <https://communities.ca.com/>.

For information on Product Education, please visit us [here](#) and select the training you are looking for. We update courses based on functional impact as well as high-demand; therefore, courses created from previous releases may apply to the current release.

Please review the CA End of Service/End of Life Policy within the Working with CA Support guide available at <https://support.ca.com> by navigating to the Support Policies link.

Thank you again for your business.