

ScanMax® Inventory & Remote

When should I use ScanMax WMI and when ScanMax Classic?

In ScanMax two inventory programs are included.

ScanMax WMI inventories the computers in your network starting from your workstation via the network.

ScanMax Classic inventories the computers in your network starting from the remote-client (there the ScanMax-agent is running) and sends the inventory data to the centrally installed ScanMax.

ScanMax WMI and ScanMax Classic do NOT differ in the delivered **Hardware-Information**. Both show the same information.

ScanMax WMI and ScanMax Classic differ in **Software-Inventory**. **ScanMax Classic** definitely is leading in this field. Its Software-Inventory is **absolutely correct** and complete – whereas the Software-Inventory information of ScanMax WMI is based on the information from the registry and suffers from all “registry-disadvantages”.

Which ScanMax to use with which demands?

Demand	ScanMax WMI	ScanMax Classic
no setup effort	X	
no server available	X	
no additional server wanted. all available servers are working to capacity.	X	
hardware-info is important	X	
software-info is most important		X
detailed installation information about software needed, e.g. installation-directory on the remote PC.		X
software-info is important but information about the programs installed via Windows-Installer or in the registry is sufficient	X	
remote tool is to be used		X
remote PCs have individual firewall		X

Demand	ScanMax WMI	ScanMax Classic
older PCs are used where WMI can not be installed or set up properly		X
network connections with less than 100 MBit/s are used.	X	
information about the PCs are needed on short notice	X	
company is decentrally located on several branches	X	
additional information needed, e.g. used disk space of PDF-Files, Zip-Files, etc.		X
certain information from the registry is needed that is usually not read by inventory software		X
a certain file on the remote PC has to be viewed at regularly		X