

Dell KACE™ Appliances for Mac Environments



The systems management appliance solution that saves you time and your organization money

The Dell KACE™ K Series of Appliances address the challenges of effective, unified systems management for mixed Mac, Windows and Linux environments.



The challenge

Multiple operating system environments are taking their place in organizations of all sizes at an unprecedented rate. In addition, growing numbers of technology-savvy workers are demanding that their employers provide them with the work computing platforms that they prefer to use for their personal computing needs, and employers are obliging. The reality that systems managers will be charged with effectively managing and maintaining multiple OS environments—especially Mac OS X—is here today.

The solution for managing multiple platforms

Dell KACE Appliances provide a unified, centralized solution for managing Mac, Windows and Linux laptops, desktops and servers, including Mac OS X Leopard and Leopard Server. The result is simplified, comprehensive systems management for those who have already deployed or are considering deploying Mac platforms. Dell KACE K1000 Management and K2000 Deployment Appliances address the full gamut of systems management tasks, including OS deployment, computer hardware and software inventory, software distribution, patch management, license and regulatory compliance, asset management, security, alerting, remote administration and reporting.

Mac OS Deployment

The KACE K2000 Deployment Appliance contains features that provide full deployment lifecycle support to organizations across Mac and Windows, making it a complete cross platform solution.

- **The K2000 uses a flexible file-based image format named K-imaging, which eliminates redundant file transfers in the capture, storage and deployment of images.**
- **The Mac Recovery feature uses an intuitive Finder interface that allows administrators to easily select a system component to explore, diagnose and repair.**
- **The K2000 is ready to deploy Snow Leopard today, and will support Lion on current Mac hardware when available.**

“Once we got the Dell KACE Appliance, we were able to easily start deploying for Macs and PCs and it’s been great.”

Jehan Aziz

*Client Services Manager,
National Geographic*

In early 2011, Mac sales to mid-size businesses grew 58.1%, and sales to large enterprises rose 75.5%.*

Analysts anticipate that Apple’s Mac sales to businesses will continue to grow.

*Newsfactor.com article by Mark Long

KACE Appliances are available as both physical and virtual appliances, providing customers with a variety of deployment options and allowing them to leverage their investment in VMware Infrastructure.

Go to www.dell.com/kace for details.

Dell KACE Appliances Manage Multiple Platforms

K Series Appliance features include:

Disk imaging uses an innovative file-based format for simplified image creation and management.

- Manage and deploy images on Windows and Mac platforms from a single web-based console
- Eliminate redundant transfers, and save time in the capture, storage, and deployment of images

Device discovery and inventory auto-discovers network-wide software and hardware configurations.

- Detailed inventory information is provided for all Mac, Windows and Linux systems

Asset management automates computer and non-computer inventory and asset management processes.

- Track assets in a single configuration management database (CMDB) including software licenses, network equipment, printers, etc.
- Enforce license compliance and harvest unused licenses to mitigate risk and reduce costs

Software distribution enables remote installation and administration of any digital asset to Mac, Windows and Linux systems.

- Flexible distribution eliminates time consuming manual tasks, even across distributed networks
- Utilize "filters" to control machine-specific updates
- Provides real-time Active Directory and/or LDAP group deploy integration

Patch management provides rapid, accurate and secure patch management.

- Detect security vulnerabilities using patented Lumension patch technology
- Centralized access to pre-tested operating system (Mac, Windows) and application patches
- Control the patch scanning and distribution schedule to minimize business disruptions

Recovery and remote control allows access to Macs in your network from the web-based console via built in Java-VNC.

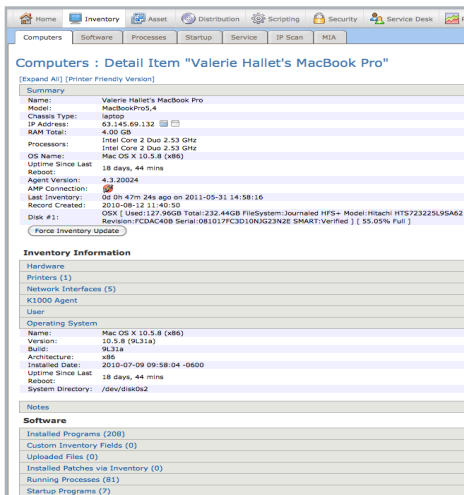
- Repair and recover Macs quickly, minimizing end-user downtime
- Remote control via UltraVNC or easily integrate with any 3rd party Mac remote control utility
- Mac OS X NetBoot features an intuitive interface that allows administrators to explore, diagnose and repair systems

Configuration and policy management provides script-based procedure and setting enforcement for Mac, Windows and Linux systems.

- Run online and offline policies and shell scripts immediately or on set schedules
- Use pre-packaged scripts or the included wizard for easy script creation

Virtual machine management provides simplified client management tasks in mixed virtual and physical environments.

- Mac platform users can manage Windows and Linux machines running on Parallels or VMware's Fusion, as well as Leopard virtualized on Parallels Server



The K1000 Management Appliance utilizes a familiar tab-based interface for reporting on Mac inventory.

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