



## HARDWARE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Digita Practice Software can be run in a number of different configurations to suit the number of users and available infrastructure.

Normal install configurations are standalone, peer to peer or client server, each option is listed on the next page.

The hardware required depends upon the configuration that is chosen. In addition to Digita Software, Microsoft SQL Server is required to be installed on one machine. The version and edition of SQL Server influences the hardware requirements for that machine. The version and edition of SQL Server is dependent on the type of system you are utilising, see the next page for example specifications for SQL Server requirements.

### GENERAL

An up-to date, high quality network is essential. Any network component (hubs, cabling, etc) as well as the servers and workstations that are of poor quality may have adverse effects on overall performance. It is your responsibility to maintain the network. Digita does not support your IT systems and cannot provide technical help on your network. Ensure your network cabling is snag free, that there are no kinks or knots in it and that nothing heavy is resting on the cable. If you are not sure about the integrity of your cabling, we advise you to get it tested. This is a service requiring specialist tools and expertise.

- Installation on Linux, Novell or Apple Mac computers are not supported
- Digita software requires a minimum screen resolution of 1024 x 768 and a text size of 100% (default) to ensure the correct display of the user interface.
- The use of High Definition and 4K monitors are not supported
- The use of wireless networks is not supported
- The Digita Suite is built with Microsoft .NET Framework 4.6 which is not compatible with Microsoft Exchange 2010. If you use Exchange 2010, you should not install the Digita Suite on the same server.

### BACKUPS

Please make regular backups of your data. Digita is not responsible for the security of your data. More information on backups can be found on the Digita Customer Centre.

### MICROSOFT OFFICE

Digita recommend Microsoft Office 32-bit, this can be installed and used on 32-bit and 64-bit Windows Operating Systems and the Digita suite fully supports all 32-bit versions of Microsoft Office from 2007 up to 2016.

If you are using Microsoft Office 64-bit, documents created in the Digita software cannot be attached directly to an Outlook email. The simple workaround is you need to manually save the document to disk and then attach it to the email.

Office 365 is supported as long as the Desktop versions are used; the Digita software is not compatible with the Office 365 Online version as it is unable to communicate with the online service.

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## STANDALONE SYSTEMS

Standalone systems have Digita and SQL software installed on a single machine for use by one person.

If your particular requirements differ to the table below, please consult your own IT Support who should be able to assist you in planning a suitable configuration and specification for your particular circumstances.

The minimum hardware requirements are:

Desktop Operating System	Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10
Processor	Intel Core i3 or AMD A8
Memory	4 GB RAM
Hard Disk	25 GB free space

Please note: these are minimum specifications and we would recommend using the highest specification available for best performance.

Other factors will affect the performance of the Digita software such as other applications running on the same machine.

## PEER-TO-PEER (P2P) NETWORKS

These systems have Digita software and SQL Server loaded on one of the workstations with other users accessing Digita via this "server." While P2P has the advantage of being inexpensive, it does have some limitations. We recommend a maximum of 5 machines. The workstation requirement for this configuration is the same as a standalone machine with the recommendation that the machine acting as the server should be of a higher specification than the other machines. For the majority of P2P configurations SQL Server Express should be suitable (SQL 2012 or later recommended).

If your particular requirements differ to the table below, please consult your own IT Support who should be able to assist you in planning a suitable configuration and specification for your particular circumstances.

The minimum hardware requirements are:

Desktop Operating System	Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10
Processor	Intel Core i5 or AMD A10
Memory	8 GB RAM
Hard Disk	25 GB free space

Please note: these are minimum specifications and we would recommend using the highest specification available for best performance.

Other factors will affect the performance of the Digita software such as other applications running on the same machine.

## CLIENT SERVER NETWORKS

Client Server systems have Digita software and SQL Server loaded on specific Windows Server Operating System machine. Client Server systems are suitable where the number of workstations exceeds 5 concurrent users. Workstation requirements in this environment are the same as a standalone machine although Windows 7 Home, Windows 8 Home and Windows 10 Home are not suitable for use in a Windows Server environment.

If your particular requirements differ to the table below, please consult your own IT Support who should be able to assist you in planning a suitable configuration and specification for your particular circumstances.

The minimum hardware requirements are:

Server Operating System	Server 2008 R2 SP1, Server 2012, Server 2012 R2, Server 2016
Processor	1.4GHz
Memory	8GB RAM minimum
Hard Disk	25GB free space for a typical Digita/SQL Server installation

Please note: these are minimum specifications and we would recommend using the highest specification available for best performance.

Other factors will affect the performance of the Digita software such as other applications running on the same machine.

## SQL SERVER COMPATIBILITY

The table below is a guide to assist with what operating system is compatible with specific versions of Microsoft SQL Server. The Digita suite fully supports versions of Microsoft SQL Server from 2008 R2 up to 2016.

With more than 5 concurrent users, we recommend a SQL Server Standard rather than SQL Server Express. Thomson Reuters can supply this for use with the Digita software only, please contact your Account Manager for more details and prices.

SQL Server OS Compatibility		2008 R2	2012	2014	2016	2017
Desktop Operating System (SQL Express & Standard)	Windows 7 Pro SP1	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
	Windows 8	*	✓	✓	✓	✗
	Windows 8.1	*	✓	✓	✓	✗
	Windows 10	✗	*	*	✓	✗
Server Operating System (SQL Express, Standard & Enterprise)	Server 2008 SP2	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
	Server 2008 R2 SP1	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
	Server 2012	*	✓	✓	✓	✗
	Server 2012 R2	*	✓	✓	✓	✗
	Server 2016	✗	*	*	✓	✗
✓ Compatible ✗ Not Compatible * Latest SQL Service Pack must be installed to be compatible						