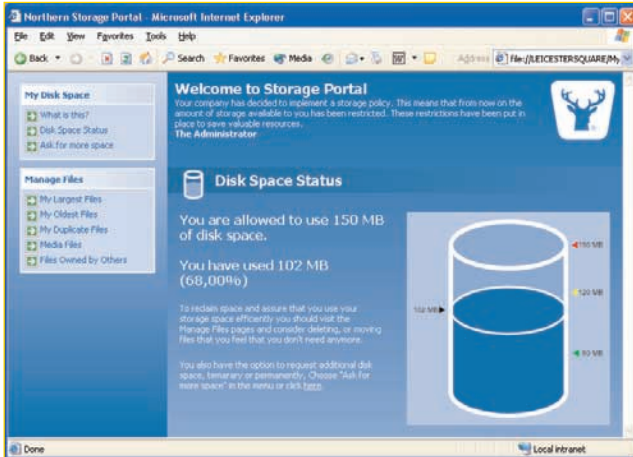


NORTHERN STORAGE PORTAL

SOFTWARE PRODUCT DESCRIPTION
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Northern Storage Portal introduces the “self-service” model to storage management, facilitating efficient, low maintenance storage management. Storage Portal keeps users informed of their storage use and provides the tools needed to manage their allotted storage space. Now, IT has a partner in economical and intelligent storage resource management.



- Smart units, file size units (KB, MB, GB, etc.) shown in all reports are automatically selected – ensuring easy recognition.
- Display this usage as a percentage of their storage quota.
- Give users the option to request an increase in their disk quota.
- Designed in Windows XP style, to ensure high user recognition.
- Customization options allow you to further increase user recognition, for instance by adding your company logo or translating displayed texts.

INVOLVE USERS

User involvement is critical to the success of any storage policy.

- Encourage proactive user involvement and increase awareness of storage costs.
- Educate users on storage use and help them to manage their files efficiently, reclaiming space.
- Give users a sense of responsibility for their storage resource use.
- Users are guided to their individual Storage Portal web page, by threshold driven e-mail notifications sent by Northern Quota Server.

USER WEB PAGES

The Northern Storage Portal interface is split into two parts, one geared towards the administrator and the other towards the user.

- Display individual web pages to users, showing them how much storage they use.
- Five report types allow users to quickly and safely streamline their storage use. These reports include:
 - Oldest files
 - Largest files
 - Duplicate files
 - Media files (true binary file type)
 - Files owned by other users

ADMIN CONTROL

The easy-to-use administrator console allows you to:

- Define grace limit rules to automatically handle requests for more disk quota.
- View posted requests for more disk space and with a click, accept or deny the requests.
- Get e-mail or popup notifications upon user requests.
- Receive notifications even when the requests are handled automatically.
- View a history of previous requests to determine which users are taking advantage of the possibility to increase their quota.

ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

Northern Storage Portal offers full support for advanced storage devices. The type of device in use is completely transparent to your users.

- Cluster aware, accurate handling of virtual server fail-overs and moves.
- NAS support, fully-functional on all NAS devices using the CIFS standard.



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