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FUNCTIONALITY COMPARISON: NORTHERN STORAGE SUITE AND QUOTA SERVER

The table below reveals the numerous key technical differences between Northern Storage Suite 2005 and versions of Quota Server. This table quickly reveals the added value offered by the complete Northern Storage Suite.

		QUOTA SERVER 5.X	NORTHERN QUOTA SERVER+	NORTHERN STORAGE SUITE 2005
Establish Control Policies	User-based Active Real-time Disk Quotas	+	+	+
	Directory-based Active Real-time Disk Quotas	+	+	+
	Content Control [File-blocking]	+	+	+
	Custom Labels Quotas	+	+	+
	MS Exchange Mailbox Quotas		+	+
	Active Directory Integration		+	+
	Delegated Permissions	+	+	+
	Automatic Policy Roll-out		+	+
	Global [multi-server] Management/Mass changes to policies		+	+
	Central history view of actions and policy violations		+	+
	Central SQL Database for both settings and volatile data [quota use, etc]		+	+
	API	+	+	+
	COM	+	+	+
Report & Monitor	General Usage Reports		+	+
	User focused Analysis		+	+
	Trending / Growth Analysis		+	+
	Full History Report		+	+
	Online Real-time Reporting			+
	True File-type Analysis [header]			+
	Mailbox Reports			+
	Drill-down Report Style – From Host Groups to Individual Users			+

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		QUOTA SERVER 5.X	NORTHERN QUOTA SERVER+	NORTHERN STORAGE SUITE 2005
Performance & Availability	Can be configured to write warnings in the Event Log.	+	+	+
	Cluster Aware	+	+	+
	Command Line Execution	+	+	+
	Ability to place quotas on FAT drives.	+	+	+
	Automatic / Scheduled Actions			+
	Performance Monitoring			+
	Performance tuning Actions			+
	Disk Clean-up Actions			+
Automatic / Scheduled Actions			+	
Involve Users	User-centric Web Portal for self management		+	+
	User-centric Reports		+	+
	Automatic Report Distribution		+	+
	Automated Quota Request Handling		+	+
Notifications	Support for SNMP alerts	+	+	+
	Notifies by Email & Pop-up	+	+	+
	Generate warnings when size thresholds are reached	+	+	+
Cost Distribution	Turnkey Billing Solution			+
	Granular Billing Options			+
	Accounting Reports			+

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