

Bentley Map V8i (SELECTseries2) FAQ 2011

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Questions

1. *What are the names of the new Bentley Map V8i (SELECTseries 2) editions?*

Bentley Map PowerView comes in Standalone configuration only. It allows visualization and editing of 2D/3D geospatial information.

Bentley Map comes in Standalone and for MicroStation configurations. It allows editing, analysis and management of 2D/3D geospatial information.

Bentley Map Enterprise comes in Standalone configuration only. It allows enterprise editing, analysis and management of 2D/3D geospatial information.



2. *Where is Bentley PowerMap V8i (SELECTseries 2)?*

In its V8i (SELECTseries 2) version this product is being replaced by the standalone configuration of Bentley Map. Users can access this new product for the difference in SELECT fee.

3. *Where is Bentley PowerMap Field V8i (SELECTseries 2)?*

In its V8i (SELECTseries 2) version this product is being replaced by the standalone configuration of Bentley Map PowerView. Users can access this new product for the difference in SELECT fee.

4. *Where is Bentley PowerDraft for Mapping V8i (SELECTseries 2)?*

In its V8i (SELECTseries 2) version this product is being replaced by the standalone configuration of Bentley Map. Users can access this new product for the difference in SELECT fee.

5. *Where is Bentley CADscript V8i (SELECTseries 2)?*

In its V8i (SELECTseries 2) version this product is being replaced by the “for MicroStation” configuration of Bentley Map. Users can access this new product for the difference in SELECT fee.

6. *Where is Bentley Cadastre V8i (SELECTseries 2)?*

In its V8i (SELECTseries 2) version this product is being replaced by the “for MicroStation” configuration of Bentley Map. Users can access this new product for the difference in SELECT fee.

7. *What functionality is included in each of the standalone configurations of the three Bentley Map editions?*

Features/Bentley Map Editions	Bentley Map PowerView	Bentley Map	Bentley Map Enterprise
Markup	X		
View/Edit DGN XFM (including RDBMS mode)	X	X	X
Import Geospatial data	X	X	X
View Spatial Databases	X	X	X
Create Custom Applications	X	X	X
Feature Modeling	X	X	X
Create Maps/Reports	(C)	X	X
View raster data	X	X	X
Dynamic Labeling	X	X	X

Edit Spatial Databases – short transaction		X	X
Export Geospatial Data		X	X
2D/Analyze/Make Decisions		X	X
Advanced 3D Solid Modeling		(A)	X
Advanced Map Finishing		X	X
Annotation from labels		X	X
Cadastral Mapping Configuration		X	X
Advanced Interoperability (FME)		X	X
Edit Spatial Databases – long transaction and history support	(B)	(B)	X
Disconnected Editing Spatial Database	(B)	(B)	(B)
3D Raster Texturing			X
View Oracle GeoRaster			X
3D/Analyze/Make Decisions			X
Transform/Edit raster data			X
View Raster DEM			X

Please see the Bentley Map web page (www.bentley.com/BentleyMap) for more details.

8. What level of MicroStation capabilities is included in each of the standalone configurations of the three Bentley Map Standalone editions?

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9. *How long will Bentley support the products that are being replaced by the various Bentley Map editions?*

Bentley will support the older versions of Bentley PowerMap, Bentley PowerDraft for Mapping, Bentley PowerMap Field, Bentley CADscript, Bentley Cadastre for as long as required. However functional enhancements will only be delivered as part of the new Bentley Map V8i (SELECTseries 2) and beyond.

10. *Why were Bentley PowerMap and Bentley PowerMap Field renamed?*

Bentley has made the conscious decision to focus on the Bentley Map brand, this change is for the best for SELECT users because they will have access to the better technology faster as we are streamlining the delivery process. Also all the resources (training, documentation, etc) surrounding the products will be of higher quality insuring better services to our valued users. Bentley PowerMap Field users will enjoy the new editing capabilities of Bentley Map PowerView.

Bentley Map and Bentley PowerMap users will enjoy the new functionality and increased performance now included in the product.

For Bentley CADscript users their current workflow will remain untouched and they can incrementally adopt the new workflows offered to them as part of Bentley Map.

For Bentley Cadastre users their current workflow will remain untouched and they can incrementally adopt the new workflows offered to them as part of Bentley Map.

For PowerDraft for Mapping users it means more frequent updates and better support as it is the same product in use everywhere. These users will also benefit from the new functionality offered inside Bentley Map.

11. *Will the new Bentley Map editions be localized in multiple languages?*

Yes, the new Bentley Map editions will be offered in multiple languages just like their predecessors (Bentley PowerMap, Bentley PowerMap Field).

12. *Can I use any of the Bentley Map editions to build applications without the need for a passcode?*

Yes the passcode concept has been removed from Bentley Map V8i (SELECTseries 2). This should allow easy adoption of Bentley Map V8i as a development platform for your GIS and Geo-Engineering applications. However the SDK and necessary document are provided in Bentley Map (For MicroStation), so developers must use this edition to code.

13. *Will my third-party applications built on top of Bentley PowerMap V8i continue to work with Bentley Map V8i (SELECTseries 2)?*

The short answer is generally yes, because the existing API definition of Bentley Map has not changed in this new release. We added new functionality in the API and the ability to verify in which edition context the application is running. However Bentley cannot guarantee that all third party applications will continue work. Please talk with your local partner to make sure their application is certified with the new Bentley Map V8i (SELECTseries 2).

14. *Am I forced to move to the new Bentley Map V8i (SELECTseries 2) editions?*

Absolutely not. However we will not enhance previously Pre-(V8i SELECTseries 2) products, but we will support them as long as needed.

15. *Can I still buy extra licenses of the Pre-(V8i SELECTseries 2) products?*

Yes you can. Bentley understands that our customer's projects are often long term and, as such; we are not forcing you to adopt the new products right away. You can adopt the new products whenever you feel it is necessary within your workflow. This is subject to change without notice.

16. *Is there uplift in SELECT fees going to the new editions?*

Yes there is an increase in SELECT fees when migrating from V8i (SELECTseries 1) and before to V8i (SELECTseries 2).

17. *Are training materials and manuals available for the newer Bentley Map editions?*

Yes. The training materials are being updated and should be available shortly. In addition, there is a full user manual and reference guide installed with the product and also available for download from <http://docs.bentley.com>

18. *Is there training or documentation specific for the transition from SELECTseries 1 to SELECTseries 2?*

No, since the products work the same way for existing functionality no training is necessary. However you might want to look at the new SELECTseries 2 training to learn how to use the new functionality included in the product.

19. *Can Bentley Map V8i (SELECTseries 2) work with V8i (SELECTseries 1) files and configurations?*

Yes, the file format is the same between the two versions. The XFM schema has been optimized, but we still support the V8i (SELECTseries 1) format, however a workspace re-export from inside the Geospatial Administrator is necessary to benefit from those enhancements.

20. *What SELECTseries 2 product is replacing my existing SELECTseries 2 product?*

Existing Product	New Product	Comments
Bentley Map V8i SELECTseries 1 and before	• Bentley Map V8i SELECTseries 2 (For MicroStation)	
Bentley PowerMap V8i SELECTseries 1 and before	• Bentley Map V8i SELECTseries 2 (Standalone)	• Bentley PowerMap stops to exist as a product at SELECTseries 2 and beyond.

Bentley PowerMap Field V8i SELECTseries 1 and before	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bentley Map PowerView V8i SELECTseries 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bentley PowerMap Field stops to exist as a product at SELECTseries 2 and beyond.
Bentley Cadastre V8i SELECTseries 1 and before	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bentley Map V8i SELECTseries 2 (For MicroStation) Bentley Map V8i SELECTseries 2 (Standalone) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bentley Cadastre stops to exist as a product at SELECTseries 2 and beyond. The Bentley Cadastre workflow is the same in the new Bentley Map product.
Bentley CADscript V8i SELECTseries 1 and before	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bentley Map V8i SELECTseries 2 (For MicroStation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bentley CADscript stops to exist as a product at SELECTseries 2 and beyond. The Bentley CADscript workflow is the same in the new Bentley Map product.
Bentley PowerDraft for Mapping V8i SELECTseries 1 and before	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bentley Map V8i SELECTseries 2 (Standalone) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bentley PowerDraft for Mapping stops to exist as a product at SELECTseries 2 and beyond.

21. For SELECTseries 2 products what upgrade paths are possible?

	Bentley Map (Standalone)	Bentley Map (For MicroStation)	Bentley Map Enterprise (Standalone)
Bentley Map PowerView	Possible	N/A	Possible
Bentley Map (Standalone)	N/A	N/A	Possible
Bentley Map (For MicroStation)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Bentley Map Enterprise (Standalone)	N/A	N/A	N/A

Possible: please contact your Bentley representatives to get more information on the upgrade cost.

N/A: a simple upgrade is not possible but it might be possible to use the exchange program to change your license configuration, please contact your Bentley representative for more information on this program.