

Retain for Email

Micro Focus® Retain™ Unified Archiving provides multi-platform unified message archiving for Microsoft Exchange, Office 365, Gmail, and GroupWise®. The messaging data is archived in one central location, which can be accessed by end users and administrators directly through Retain's Web Access Archive Viewer.

Product Highlights

The Retain archive includes powerful tools to enable your organization to quickly access, search, and audit archived communication data. Easily place litigation holds, print, forward, save, redact, and export your message data. Retain reduces cost, mitigates risk, and manages complexity on-premises or in the cloud.

Key Features

Environment Options

Supported Email Systems: Retain supports archiving for Exchange 2007 SP3, 2010 SP2 or higher, 2013 and 2016, Office 365 Plans E1–E5, G Suite Gmail and Education, Bloomberg, GroupWise 7.0.3 HP1 or above, GroupWise 8, GroupWise 2012, GroupWise 2014+, and GroupWise 18.

Unified Archiving: All messaging data, including multi-platform email, appointments, files, and attachments, is archived into one unified data archive. This gives you the ability to search, publish, and perform eDiscovery from one central location.

Policy-Based Unified Archiving: Retain provides fully configurable policies that enable you to define the email messaging data you want to archive. These policies allow you to define what is archived based on mailbox type, message source, item type, message status, the age of the message, and attachments.

Mixed-Environment Unified Archiving: Retain provides simultaneous support of a mixed messaging platform environment. View your Exchange, Office 365, Gmail, Bloomberg, and GroupWise email data from one central archive.

Flexible Archive Access: The Retain Archive can be browsed and searched directly from multiple access points, including the end user email client, the Retain mobile app, the browser-based web access client, and the Offline Archive Viewer. Plus, archived data can be exported to a portable stand-alone archive viewer.

Platform-Agnostic Archive: Retain archives messaging data in a platform agnostic format, meaning no matter what email system you are running, even mixed environments, Retain will support it. This also makes email system migrations easy.

Platform Migration: Archive all of your current messaging data to Retain, implement the new messaging system (such as Office 365), and then connect Retain to your new system. All data will be accessible without downtime or end user disruption in service.

Email Plugin: Archived messages can be accessed and searched directly from within Outlook, Web Access, and GroupWise. Retain provides the ability to cache archived data based on specified criteria for offline access.

Retain Unified Archiving



In addition to email archiving, Retain provides unified archiving of all business communication, including email, social media, and mobile communication data for case assessment, search, and eDiscovery. It can be deployed on-premises or in the cloud. This includes email archiving for Microsoft Exchange, Office 365, Gmail, Bloomberg, and Micro Focus GroupWise platforms. Retain Mobile archives mobile device communication data for Android, BlackBerry, and iOS, including SMS/text messages, BBM Messages, BBM Enterprise, phone call logs, and PIN Messages. Retain Social provides monitoring and data insight into message context and tone of all posts for Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, LinkedIn, Instagram, Vimeo, Flickr, Pinterest, and Google+ (on and off network).

Message Deletion: Retain includes message deletion policies to reduce storage space, and server load on your Exchange, Office 365, or GroupWise system. Policies can be set to delete email from the server after being archived in Retain or after exceeding its retention age.

Worry-Free Deployment: Whether you choose an on-premises or cloud solution, Micro Focus will walk you through the entire implementation process from beginning to end.

Single Sign-On: Retain provides single sign-on for users to access their archives whether using Outlook, Web Access, or GroupWise.

Intelligent Archiving: Retain offers intelligent, granular archiving by taking advantage of the Microsoft Recoverable Items Folder, or using EWS impersonation, it is not limited to journaling. Retain can also archive via journaling, if required.

On-Premises or Cloud Unified Archive: Choose how your data is stored. Archived data can be stored on-premises behind your organizational firewall, or in the Micro Focus cloud.

PST File and Personal Archive Management: Retain helps you manage PST Files, Personal Archives, and GroupWise Personal Archives, by one, archiving your scattered PST files or Personal Archives into one central archive. And two, it eliminates PST files or Personal Archives in the future by archiving messaging data in the unified Retain archive.

SMTP and Secure FTP Forwarding: SMTP and Secure FTP forwarding of all messages is available based on the individual organization's needs.

eDiscovery, Access, Browse, Search, and Export

Built-in eDiscovery: Retain's eDiscovery tools allow organizations to easily place litigation holds, print, forward, save, redact, strikeout, and export message data.

Configurable Permissions: The Access Control List manages access for users, administrators, or others to the features and functionalities of the Retain system by granting customizable role-based permissions.

Compliance and Control: GroupWise, Gmail, Exchange, and Office 365 allow auto purge and automatic deletion of messages by the end-user—and without prior approval by an administrator. To ensure that no messages are deleted or purged without the knowledge of decision makers, Retain can be configured to disable auto-purge and supports SmartPurge. This provides total archive policy control by prohibiting message alteration or deletion. These features help ensure archived data is complete and compliant.

Complete Export Functionality: Export the data easily into either PST, PDF, or stand-alone archive viewer formats. The exported file is fully indexed, searchable, and includes a table of contents for quick browsing.

Redaction Control: Exported data can be redacted, ensuring that personal information or other redacted items do not become part of the open records request.

Smart, Confidential, and Rule-Based Tagging: Administrators and end users can create custom tags for messages within the archive. Auditors, administrators, and other authorized users can mark archived messages as confidential. These marked messages can only be viewed or searched by users with granted rights. And messages can be marked as confidential or tagged while being archived according to set criteria, including regular expressions. These tags are searchable for easier eDiscovery.

Built-In Search and Browsing of Archived Data: Retain features a "Google" like search tool for quick and easy searches across all electronic communication data within one

central archive. This removes the need to search multiple archives or vendor systems for each message type. The tool returns instant results as a user types in information and includes suggestions for searches as the search terms are entered into the system (including subject, body, text, email address, tags, users, and other fields). The tool also supports limited regular expressions (REGEX) terms, allowing searches for terms such as social security numbers, credit card, and others. Furthermore, the search tool removes duplicate records from the search, reducing the number of hits for a specific search. Retain also provides Advanced Search Feature technology to search and take action and conducts eDiscovery activities across connected datasets not held within the archive repository.

Retain High Performance Indexing Engine: Retain features the High Performance Indexing Engine to ensure fast and easy data retrieval. All messages archived in Retain are immediately available for access, search, and eDiscovery. There is near zero latency between the time a message is archived and when it is indexed and available to be searched. The High Performance Indexing Engine is a cluster able, high-performance index that has the ability to support an unlimited amount of search requests. The external engine is available in a load balancing format for increased performance, or in a failover format for redundancy. The engine can be used in the load balancing or failover format, or both, depending on an organization's needs.

Web Access Archive Viewer: Retain offers an easy-to-use browser-based interface with powerful search tools that let you quickly access, search, and perform eDiscovery on the archive.

Offline Archive Viewer: Users can browse and search the Retain archive without access to the web with the Offline Archive Viewer.

Litigation Hold: To protect email that may potentially be involved in future litigation, Retain can flag an archived item to protect it from deletion or actions until the hold is removed.

Audit Trail: Retain creates a searchable audit trail of all administrators and users who have permission to search the archive, enabling you to have a record of all activity.

Fast and Easy Retrieval: Retain contains a built-in Lucene indexing engine or the Retain High Performance Indexing Engine (for larger deployments).

End-User Mailbox Management: Easily search and restore data with the Retain Web Access Archive Viewer. End-users have the ability to search, forward, print, restore, access, and view messages in their original context without administrator support.

Storage and Reporting

Secure Storage: Retain archives messaging data with multiple layers of security whether deployed on-premises or in the cloud. Retain supports multiple databases, including MS SQL, MySQL, Postgres, and Oracle. In addition to secure storage, with messages being archived using AES encryption, EMC Centera, or NetApp Snaplock storage, optional Windows server or Linux server encrypted partitions can be used. Plus Retain features native support for iCAS technology.

Third Party API: Allows for third party external integration within Retain. Information can be ingested into the archive while maintaining data fidelity.

Single-Instance Storage: Retain archives only one copy of a message and attachment.

Ongoing Storage Support and Upgrades: Worry-free with 24x7 support, ongoing upgrades, and maintenance.

Increased System Performance: Retain ensures optimal performance of the messaging system by securely archiving messaging data. This keeps storage on the messaging server to a minimum.

System Statistics and Reporting: Monitor system performance. Reports can be viewed within a dashboard, emailed periodically, or generated and saved in multiple formats, including CSV, Excel, HTML, and PDF.

“As a health care organization, Health First is always undergoing some sort of litigation process and we needed to gain more centralized control over the email archives. Retain satisfied this requirement, and put ediscovery responsibilities directly into the hands of Health First’s legal team. It lifted a huge burden from our IT staff, and provided instant results to the legal team.”

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