

Borland credits

Borland Credits are a virtual currency that can be used to purchase CloudBurst testing services, available from the Silk Performer Cloud Portal. The billing process follows a pre-paid model. There are several packages to choose from depending on how many credits are purchased in one go.

CloudBurst load test fees

The number of Borland Credits required to purchase a CloudBurst test is comprised of infrastructure rental fees and virtual user license fees.

Infrastructure rental fees

Infrastructure rental fees are charged at an hourly rate. For example: if an agent runs for 50 minutes, the charge will be for one hour. If the agent runs for 1 hour and 5 minutes, the charge will be for 2 hours.

The passive fee is charged for the amount of time an agent runs for and the active fee is charged for the amount of time the running agent takes to execute a load test. For example: a load test is started with a simulation time of 2 hours. When the load test is complete, a second test is started, with a simulation time of 30 minutes. This load test takes 1 hour. In the meantime, the agent is left running. For this scenario, you are charged a 4-hour passive fee and a 3-hour active fee. Note: the 30 minutes are calculated as a full hour.

Note: if you run out of Borland Credits while using the CloudBurst infrastructure, a notification email will be sent 24 hours before the agents are shut down automatically.

Virtual user license fees

These are calculated according to the maximum number of concurrently active virtual users during a 24-hour testing period. The fee per active virtual user is largely dependent on the type of application under test. For example: if a load test involves 100 virtual users, a fee for 100 users is charged for the 24 hour testing period. When the load test is complete, another is carried out involving 150 virtual users. An additional fee for the 50 extra users is charged. The next load test involves 120 users. This test does not incur an additional fee providing these 3 load tests are executed within a 24 hour period since the already debited fees cover up to 150 virtual users.

For more information about current rates, visit the [Borland website](#).

Spanning testing periods

The 24-hour testing period model enables a load test to be run, analyzed and re-run multiple times, with adjusted settings. Within the 24-hour testing period, settings can be optimized and a re-run of the test can be executed without an additional charge.

If a test runs over into the next testing period, a new 24-hour testing period is automatically created at the start of the load test.

Estimating and debiting Borland Credits

Estimating Borland Credits consumption

Before a load test, Silk Performer displays an estimate of how many Borland Credits will be used. The estimate takes into account all virtual user license fees covered in the current testing period. However, it does not include any unforeseen charges that may relate to changes in simulation time.

The dynamic workload model requires tests to be stopped manually. The infrastructure rental fee estimate will equal the number of Borland credits required per hour.

Debiting Borland Credits

On completion of a test, Silk Performer calculates the number of Borland Credits to debit from your account. The actual simulation time is used to calculate the active infrastructure rental fee, and the testing period boundary for virtual user license fees.

A detailed balance sheet is available from the Silk Performer Load Test Summary page, which is displayed following each test.

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