



What's New in MKS AlertCentre® 2.02

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Monitoring Solution Wizards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ A new APC UPS Monitor Wizard was added to monitor these devices with a series of low level monitors being created to provide complete monitoring coverage of battery use by the UPS.▪ A new Windows Server wizard
New and Improved Monitor Types	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Monitoring Station Monitor — allows you to use one installation of MKS AlertCentre to monitor another. Any error conditions triggered will be propagated up the hierarchy of Monitoring Stations.▪ Enhanced CPU, Disk, and Memory Utilization Monitors — enhancements to use SNMP in conjunction with RFC 1514 conformant tables (hrStorage and hrProcessor) to improve the performance and capabilities of these monitor types▪ Improved Ping Monitor—the ping monitor type now supports pinging multiple hosts from a single monitor thereby dramatically improving performance.
New Systems Supported	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Support for IIS 6 on Windows 2003--You can now install MKS AlertCentre to use IIS 6 on Windows Server 2003.▪ Support for Monitoring Station Hosting on IIS on Workstation Class Machines—The MKS AlertCentre installer now lets you install a Monitoring Station in a virtual directory off the default site when using IIS.
Improved Control Over Monitor Timeouts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The system-wide timeout used in previous versions of MKS AlertCentre has been replaced with per monitor timeout. This lets you configure monitors specific to their individual needs, including specifying an unlimited timeout (often used for jobs and web link integrity monitors).



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Packaged Application Wizards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Automatically discover and set up a comprehensive set of monitors to insure the 24x7 availability of mission critical applications.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Microsoft Exchange Server▪ Microsoft Internet Information Server (IIS)▪ Microsoft SQL Server
New Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Action Control — allowing for the control of how and when a given action triggered. Easily define failure behaviour, specific fire times, temporary redirects, and pre and post actions events.▪ SNMP Set Action Definition — use SNMP SET requests to set information on a network entity with Actions when monitor failures are detected.▪ Control a Service Action Definition — directly control (start, stop, restart) Windows services when monitor failures are detected.
New User Interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Status of Operations Console — provides instant status of all network connections, system resources and applications that are being monitored by AlertCentre.▪ Easy Navigation —easily access the Status Of Operations, Monitors, Jobs, Actions, Schedules, Reports, and Housekeeping areas as well as information on the Monitoring Station and instant notification to any available patches or updates.▪ Action Coverage Graphs — at-a-glance information to insure adequate coverage of all desired time periods for a given monitor.
Statistical and Configuration Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Providing detailed information on individual monitor operations to configuration information.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Uptime Reports.▪ Status of Operations Report s.▪ Monitor Log Reports.▪ Configuration Reports.



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<p>New Monitor Types</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SNPP Pager (Simple Network Paging Protocol) Action — allows for the sending of a text message directly to a pager that supports SNPP. ▪ SNMP Monitors — allows for the polling of any SNMP aware device, and accept inbound SNMP Traps providing real-time alerts of critical SNMP events. ▪ Machine Share Monitors — check the availability of discovered machine shares. ▪ Email Monitors — a combination of incoming (IMAP/POP3) and outgoing (SMTP) email monitor types which allow for the monitoring of the complete cycle of sending and receiving email messages. ▪ Directory Monitors. A directory monitor tests for the existence of or change in, represented by directory size, number of files in the directory, or directory modification, a given directory and triggers actions according to the results of that query. ▪ File Monitors — tests for the existence of or change in, represented by file size or date stamp changes, a given file. ▪ SSL Monitors — tests for the validity or expiration of certificates given when issuing a particular HTTPS request. ▪ Print Monitors — test the status of a network printer for issues such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Low toner ▪ No toner ▪ Low paper ▪ Out of paper ▪ Offline ▪ Door is open ▪ Paper jam ▪ Service requested ▪ Newsgroup Monitors — retrieves messages from an NNTP server and reports on the existence of specific text strings. ▪ Website Link Integrity Monitors — trace an entire web tree from a given URL recursively following all HREFs on the site to insure that there are no broken links.