Safeguard PDF Security

PDF DRM controlling document access and use

For publishers of high value or confidential information, published in PDF format, whether for sale to the public, or used for internal control and protection, where a higher degree of security and control is required - beyond simple password protection.

Protect your PDF documents from unauthorized viewing, copying, printing and distribution

Safeguard PDF Security protects PDF documents from unauthorized viewing, copying, sharing, modifying, printing (including how many times), and saving. Control how long your documents are viewed and instantly revoke access in real-time. Prevent your PDF content from being readily pirated by stopping screen shots from being taken.

Safeguard PDF Security protects your PDF documents no matter where they reside, enforces the security policy governing their use, and allows you to dynamically change how that information is accessed at any time even after distribution.

Unlike weak and unmanageable password mechanisms, Safeguard PDF Security uses public key technology transparently with strong AES 256 bit encryption and DRM controls. As a result there are no passwords to send, enter, manage, forget, or pass onto others.

If you sell subscription services, our unique concept of publications ensures minimum administration overheads and enables you to effortlessly manage your customer base. Time limited document expiry means customers will continue to pay license fees when they are due.

Totally automated document security

Multiple PDF documents can be protected and DRM controls applied automatically (without manual input or user intervention) using our secure PDF command line protection utility. This also provides quick and simple integration into your existing web based applications (where PDF encryption is required on-the-fly) without the need to use an API.

Our e-commerce integration module works with your existing ecommerce system to help provide 24x7 delivery of your protected documents. On successful purchase, customer information is automatically entered into the administration system (without the need for manual input) and license files are emailed to your customers so they can start using your protected PDF documents straight away.

"We would be happy to recommend Locklizard to any company needing a flexible way to secure PDF files. Safeguard has provided us with a very workable solution to the need to share certain information in a secure fashion. The support has been excellent and your customer service people very accommodating."

The Austin Diagnostic Clinic

Simple to use

To protect your PDF documents, right click on them in Windows Explorer and select the secure PDF document access rights.
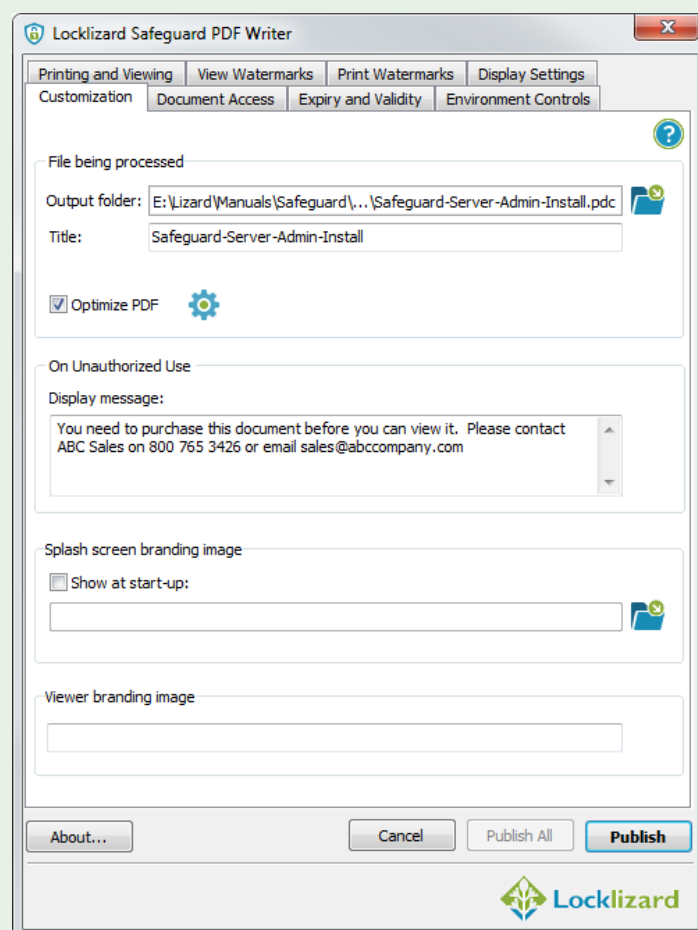

Diagram 1: PDF Document Protection

Distribute your protected PDF documents just like any other file.

Dynamic document control maintains access rights and permissions assigned to a secure PDF document once it has been published and distributed.

A simple to use web-based administration system (fully hosted or own server options) lets you control access to your secure PDF documents in real-time.

Safeguard PDF Security

PDF Document Security Technology

- US Government strength AES 256 bit encryption
- Digital Rights Management controls
- Public key technology - no weak and unmanageable passwords
- No plug-ins or JavaScript to compromise security
- No use of temporary files – content is only ever decrypted to memory
- Complete control over PDF documents no matter where files reside

Business Benefits

Complete Control Over Your IPR

Achieve full control over how your licensed documents are used. Ensure your documents are not viewed, printed, copied, shared or modified without your permission. Revoke documents when you decide they should no longer be available. Copyright and trade secrets are always maintained.

Simple method for controlling access to and use of commercial and confidential documents. Preserve control over sensitive information while increasing the flexibility of using electronic documents.

License expiry lets you give customers evaluation / limited time trials of your documents and/or ensures subscribers will continue to pay for your products at renewal time.

Revenue Generation & Cost Savings

Gain additional revenues. Customers now have to buy whereas previously they may have obtained your content for free.

Reach new markets. Sell documents that are accessible for a limited time period at a lower cost, rather than being available forever, enabling you to reach new markets that are price sensitive.

Reduce the cost of distributing confidential information. This can now be done electronically since you are always in control of who can view your documents and what users can do with them. Now you have the convenience and cost savings of online business processes with secure and reliable electronic document exchange.

Regulatory Compliance

Safeguard PDF Security ensures ongoing policy, legal and regulatory compliance. It removes the risk of you incorrectly transmitting sensitive data by continuing to protect and enforce policy controls even after distribution.

Features Overview

- Complete and secure control over PDF document usage - viewing, printing (+ no. of times), copying, saving, etc.
- Disables screen grabbers, print screen, printing to file and Acrobat distiller, copying, modifying and saving by default
- Custom watermarking on printing and/or viewing
- User and document expiry - you decide how long users can view your PDF documents
- Instant user and document revocation
- Offline / online access management - control how long users can access your documents offline
- Customizable message text and document splash screen
- Publications for simpler document management
- Simple to Protect PDF documents (just right-click in Windows Explorer), simple to use, simple to administer
- Real-time web based licensing control – issue and manage users, publications and documents online
- Transparent real-time web based user authorization
- 5 minute set up - existing user information can be imported and no configuring of servers is required
- Complete integration with your e-commerce system
- Completely managed system (fully hosted by us) or hosted on your own server
- FREE Viewer software (nothing for users to purchase).
- Install on a device or no installation Web & USB Viewers
- Multiple processing of PDF files, plus batch automation (no manual input required) with command line utility

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