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We present to you the sixty eight edition of our Software Licensing Bulletin, which highlights details on Oracle® Database Licensing.

Interpretation of minimum number of licenses

- An Oracle Database software is licensed by either a named user plus or a processor metric.
- Oracle uses license minimums to establish base values for its products. The minimums vary from product and metric.
- This number differs per version, per products, changes regularly and is calculated in different ways. Eg Standard Edition Two includes 10 Named User Plus licenses per server, while Enterprise Edition includes 25 Named User Plus licenses per processor or the minimum number of Processor licenses required when licensing Oracle Database enterprise edition is one.
- Customer go wrong when counting the minimum number of licenses they require, thus resulting in a compliance issue.
- For all Oracle products, customers are required to obtain licenses based on their actual software usage or Oracle’s licensing minimums, whichever is greater.

We hope the bulletin was informative. We would be happy to arrange for any additional information that you may require on the subject. Please write to us at in-fmkpmgccsbulletin@kpmg.com, for any queries or feedback.

Regards,
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