



Senstar Symphony Server  
8.9.x  
Release Notes



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## Information

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**Note:** Senstar does not support connecting the Senstar Symphony Client 8.x to the Senstar Symphony Server 7.x and cannot guarantee that all functionality will work as expected.

# Release 8.9.0 (February 2025)

## New features

Summary	Description
User Password Expiration	Passwords can now be configured to expire.
User Audit: Login Reason Required	Operators must declare a reason for logging into the system.
User Security Configuration: Bulk Changes	Administrators can now apply bulk security configuration changes to multiple users or groups simultaneously.
Login Attempt Limits	Restricts the number of login attempts before temporarily locking the account.
Database Upgrade Options	The installer now supports migrating from PostgreSQL to Microsoft SQL Server.
Force Password Change	Administrators can mandate a password reset for new users upon their first login.
Fake Event Support	Enables the creation of rules or map buttons that do not trigger actual events, useful for external system integrations.

## Enhancements

Summary	Description
Device Tree Improvements	Prevents automatic scrolling when selecting a panel.
Cybersecurity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removed custom port for connections.</li> <li>Eliminated weak ciphers.</li> <li>Database error messages are now generic to enhance security.</li> <li>Disabled formula execution in CSV exports.</li> <li>Removed session tokens from URLs.</li> <li>Improved HTTP response headers and added missing ones.</li> <li>Server information is no longer exposed in URL responses.</li> </ul>
Alarm Data Storage	Increased default alarm data storage from 100 days to 2 years.
Export Comments in Audit Logs	Comments from exports are now logged in the audit trail.
Auto-Generated Rules	Optimized naming convention for better usability.

## Fixes

Description
Resolved NetsendHist memory leak under stress conditions.

Description
Addressed timeout issues in the Overhead People Count Report for large data volumes.
Fixed issues with auto-update from version 8.8 to 8.9.
Symphony ONVIF Server is now digitally signed.
Included SimpleLiveStreamTest sample in the SDK.
Resolved inability to acknowledge alarms for stale conditions.
Fixed overlay command issues with masking zones and restore values.
Corrected behavior on the server configuration page to ensure proper save functionality.
Ensured camera streams are restored correctly after logoff/logon cycles.
Fixed memory leaks in the Face Recognition Enrollment tool.
Addressed alarm burst performance issues when the database is down.
Addressed timeout issues in the Overhead People Count Report for large data volumes.
Improved database performance under stress.

## Technical Updates

Description
Advanced towards feature parity on the new video display.
Installer enhancements for migrating databases from PostgreSQL to Microsoft SQL Server.

## Legal information

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