

Introducing Search Guard FLX 3.0: The Future of Enterprise Security for Elasticsearch

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Welcome to the future of enterprise security. We're excited to unveil Search Guard FLX 3.0 – the most powerful and flexible security suite yet for your Elasticsearch deployment. Packed with new features, this release is designed to make securing your Elasticsearch clusters easier, more efficient, and more scalable than ever before.

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New Features in Search Guard FLX 3.0

Data Streams and Aliases: First-Class Citizens

One of the standout features of Search Guard FLX 3.0 is the addition of Data Streams and Aliases as first-class citizens. This means managing time-series data and creating flexible data access patterns is now more streamlined and intuitive. Whether you're working with logs, metrics, or other types of time-series data, you can now create security policies that align perfectly with how you store and access data. This seamless integration makes your Elasticsearch deployment easier to manage and more secure.

Improved Signals with Scalable Configuration

Search Guard has always been known for its powerful alerting capabilities, and in version 3.0, we've taken it a step further. Signals now come with new configuration options designed for easy scaling. As your Elasticsearch deployment grows, so does your ability to monitor and act on critical events – without any hiccups. Our new features allow you to scale your alerting and notification system as you scale your infrastructure, ensuring that no alert goes unnoticed.

Kibana Dark Mode Support

For all you night owls out there – we’ve heard you! We’re thrilled to announce that Search Guard now fully supports Kibana dark mode. Whether you're working in low-light environments or just prefer the darker aesthetic, Search Guard ensures that every screen, every menu, and every detail of your Kibana interface is optimized for low-light use. Say goodbye to eye strain and hello to better visibility with our sleek dark mode design.

Streamlined Error Handling

Time spent troubleshooting is time lost, which is why we’ve revamped our error handling in Search Guard FLX 3.0. With clear, actionable error messages, you’ll be able to identify and resolve issues in record time. No more guesswork or frustration—just straightforward solutions that help you get back on track quickly. We’ve made troubleshooting as easy as possible, so you can focus on what matters most: securing your Elasticsearch cluster.

Transparent and Simple Licensing

We get it — enterprise software licensing can be confusing and full of hidden costs. That’s why at Search Guard, we’ve made our licensing model refreshingly simple. We believe security shouldn’t come with surprises or complicated math, and with Search Guard, it doesn’t.

Search Guard Community Edition: Free & Open Source

Looking for powerful Elasticsearch security that won’t break the bank? Meet Search Guard Community Edition – completely free and open source. Yes, you read that right. Free as in free beer, licensed under Apache 2.

No catch. No hidden costs. No limitations. What’s included? Everything you need for enterprise-grade security, including:

- Robust security essentials for Elasticsearch
- Signals Alerting for proactive monitoring
- Automated Index Management for easy maintenance

Search Guard Community Edition brings enterprise security to everyone, regardless of budget.

Search Guard Enterprise & Compliance Editions

If you need more, we’ve got you covered. Meet the Search Guard Enterprise and Compliance Editions—our flagship products built for the modern enterprise. These editions come with a simple, straightforward, and fair licensing model: you pay a flat fee per production cluster. That’s it.

- Want to add more users? No problem.
- Data growing fast? We’ve got that covered.
- Need all security features? They’re included.

With Search Guard, you scale your cluster without scaling your costs.

Getting Started with Search Guard

Why wait to protect your Elasticsearch deployment when you can start right now? Getting started with Search Guard is easy:

- Download the free Community Edition.
- Run a simple installation command.
- Secure your cluster in minutes.

No risk. No commitment. No credit card needed. Just enterprise-grade security at your fingertips.

Your data deserves the best protection. With Search Guard, you can rest easy knowing your Elasticsearch deployment is secure, scalable, and simple to manage.

Download Search Guard today and experience the future of Elasticsearch security!

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