Get Rid of Messy Paperwork – Who's the Best – Windward or Laserfiche – You Decide!

What if you need to handle few thousands of reports and documents every day, you sure need help of automation. Windward and Laserfiche comes as a handy solution for the unavoidable issue.

Powerful Solutions for Perfect Performance:

Powerful document manager is essence of today's corporate business. Windward offers a unanimous solution for handling huge data at lightning speed for almost all possible file formats. Laserfiche also deals in the same magnitude but with a difference. Laserfiche looks for file formats; if the file is not in the required format, then it needs to be converted into recognizable format. For example, XML format is not recognized so it needs to be converted, before you can process output metadata.

Size Does Matters in Documents!

Windward can export the reports or documents in various file formats like XML, PDF, DOCX, EXCELX, PPTX, RTF and HTML. However, during the fetching of metadata, sanity is maintained automatically while managing the size of output file. In Laserfiche, during an output of image file into a PDF file, you need to specify file size in parameters, failing to instruct the size in advance, you may land up getting a huge PDF output file. This becomes a burden, if you need to send that file to thousands of users! Imagine, inputting the size required for each and every document!

Is Standard Always better? Does Customization Means More Money?

Windward comes as a whole package without restrictions. However, in case of Laserfiche, you have two options, for user count below a hundred Laserfiche, Avante is offered and for user count above a hundred, Laserfiche Rio is recommended. This might become cumbersome, when you plan to migrate it to more users. You need to confirm the data migration systems well in advance. There are chances of improper installation, if you run the installation from a server. Localized installation is always preferred over the one from server.

32 Bit versus 64 Bit

Windward is compatible with Windows 32 bit and Windows 64 Bit architecture of operating systems. The workflow is smooth and continuous. There is no performance deterioration at all! However, in case of Laserfiche, it works only on Windows 64 bit architecture. If you install and run Laserfiche on Windows 32 bit architecture, then certain processes that are memory intensive, fail and calls for repeated log offs and log ins. In addition, there are some memory error messages, which make the document workout impossible.

Security or Hindrance to Work

With Laserfiche, certain security issues prevent display of page image within the document viewer. These security issues pertain to authentication. For Windward, there are no such issues of mal-performance.

Searching Made Easy With Difficulty Accessing Search Results

Under the exhaustive searches, Laserfiche recognizes only regular formats of Microsoft Office Suite modules like DOC etc, but does not recognize office files with XML extension. This results in display of unknown icons with extension DOCX, while using folder browser. There are no such cases with Windward.

Limited Import Functionality, What An Annoyance!

With Windward, you can import any size file from Windows XP or Windows Server 2003. There is no size cap of any means. Laserfiche, on the other hand uses Windows HTTP services protocol for file transfers, it has a limitation of importing a file of maximum 4 GB size. Therefore, you might need to break the file into pieces of size lesser than 4 GB or altogether stop working.

Printing a Document – Take These Precautions

While using Windward, no additional printer setup repositories are required to install and monitor. Every printing instruction is seamless and the output is deliverable every time without any hindrance. In Laserfiche, you need to configure repository for print type, or else there will be a mismatch within Laserfiche and printer will not receive any data to print, shooting an error message, straight on the screen. It becomes cumbersome to keep monitoring all these trivial things, especially when you are in rush to complete the task.

Trouble Saving a File on the Client Machine

Laserfiche reads data from a temporary file stored on client machine, while saving the data it takes the reference of this temporary file. If due to any reason, this temporary file is removed, deleted, or moved to a new location, the data is not saved on client machine. For Windward, there are no such instances whatsoever!

More Number of CPUs just means More Sessions

Laserfiche has a unique system of managing the number of CPUs to control the number of sessions. Though designed for seamless work, it becomes a problem, as Quick Field Agent will not detect additional CPUs by Administrator automatically and resulting in chaos. Windward is unique, does not have constraints, and supports seamless performance of next generation documents processing.

So, now you decide the one that suits your needs between Windward and Laserfiche!