

# Release Notes

## for Kerio Connect 7.0.0 Beta 2

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### 1 More Than Email. Introducing Kerio Connect.

When *Kerio MailServer* first launched, it was centered around email and email security. Today you get a well integrated package with dual antivirus scanning, multi-layer anti-spam, complete archiving, scheduled back-up, and full groupware capabilities.

Most of the innovations you have seen from us in recent years were focused on email-based collaboration, i.e. the introduction of contacts, calendars, notes, and mobility, as shown in our pioneering implementation of push email for smartphones.

Many organizations worldwide chose to build their workflow around *Kerio MailServer*, which in turn helped their teams become more effective, more productive, and generally better connected.

Now we are entering a new stage, in which we will make *Kerio MailServer* a great fit for organizations with teams in multiple locations worldwide.

As the product has shifted from being a traditional email server into the area of collaboration, we feel the existing product name no longer accurately represents what the product promises to do. Enter *Kerio Connect*, previously known as *Kerio MailServer*.

The new name, *Kerio Connect*, aims to communicate what users of messaging and collaboration servers often do — they connect with their colleagues, they connect with their business partners, they connect from the road, they connect from home, they connect to develop new ideas, they connect before they meet in person — they simply connect.

This new generation of the *Kerio* messaging platform is called *Kerio Connect 7*. It will retain its familiar blue bubble icon with the envelope. You are seeing this new branding within the beta builds, but all versions prior to Connect 7 will remain branded as *Kerio MailServer*.

As you've come to know *Kerio*, we will continue to give you the freedom to choose the right combination of OS platform, desktop apps, and mobile clients, that will best work for your particular organization.

## 2 And What is New in Kerio Connect 7?

### ***Distributed Domains***

For companies that need to share and manage free-busy information, resource schedules, mailing lists, groups, aliases and *Kerio Global Address List* across multiple discrete installations of *Kerio Connect*.

### ***Complete Web Administration***

Complete remote management of *Kerio Connect* from *Internet Explorer*, *Firefox* or *Safari*.

### ***Rename Domain***

The name of the domain can be changed now. This change requires restart of the server.

### ***Retention policy for messages***

Implemented new auto-delete function (items clean-out) with an option to delete all items in the mail store according to the retention policy defined in the company. The administrator can configure the policy for each email domain individually. E.g., delete all emails and events older than 3 years.

### ***New Message Submission service***

*Kerio Connect* includes a new service for receiving email with SMTP protocol. The *Message Submission* service (*SMTP Submission*) is defined in [RFC 2476](#) and it uses the *TCP* protocol on port 587 for accepting messages sent by email clients. The service requires users to be authenticated in order to be able to send the message to the server. Users can use the service from remote locations where the default SMTP port 25 is blocked (hotels, airports etc.) to safely send messages via company email server. *Spam Filter* is not applied to the messages sent via authenticated connection in the *Message Submission* service.

### ***IMAP server improvement***

The *IMAP* server in *Kerio Connect* has been improved for better support of multi-session *IMAP* connections.

### ***New mobile device support***

*Kerio Connect* brings support for over-the-air synchronization of *HTC Hero* mobile devices. It is possible to synchronize email messages, tasks, contacts and calendar events.

### ***Performance improvements***

*Kerio Connect* uses a more efficient file access method to the message store data. This includes the `properties.fld` database access and listing mailbox folders.

### ***HTML editor in WebMail on Safari 4***

It is possible to edit rich text when writing an email message on *Safari 4*. This option was available only on *Internet Explorer* and *Firefox*, so far.

## **3 Changes in System Requirements**

### ***New supported platforms***

- *WebMail* — Firefox 3.5, Safari 4
- *Web Administration* — Safari 4, Internet Explorer 8, Firefox 3.5

## **4 Beta Version Notes**

### ***Upgrade***

- Fully automatic from *Kerio MailServer 6* but there is a known issue in *Kerio Outlook Connector (Offline Edition)*.
- *Kerio Connect* will re-index all messages in the store during the first startup. It may cause a higher CPU and disk usage in the case there are many messages in the store. The re-indexation process runs on background and it can take up to a few hours, depending on the message store size.

### ***Downgrade to previous version***

- *Kerio Outlook Connector (Offline Edition)* automatic downgrade does not work. To downgrade, you need to uninstall *Kerio Outlook Connector (Offline Edition) 7.0.0* and install an appropriate lower version.
- *Kerio Connect* will reindex all messages in the store during the first startup. It may cause a higher CPU and disk usage in the case there are many messages in the store.
- *Nokia* mobile phones with the *Mail for Exchange* client configured for *Kerio Connect 7.0* will fail to synchronize with older *Kerio MailServer* versions. A solution is to re-create the account in *Mail for Exchange* client on the device or choose the “Full re-sync” option in the client settings.

## **Known Issues**

- NTLM authentication does not work.
- *ActiveSync Push* does not work.
- *Kerio Outlook Connector (Offline Edition)* auto-update fails on *Windows Vista* and *Windows 7* when *UAC (User Account Control)* is switched on and the user does not have administration privileges.
- Once version *7.0.0* is installed, only manual downgrade to *6.7.x* is available for *Kerio Outlook Connector (Offline Edition)*.
- The distributed domain feature wrongly requires license for all users on each server in the cluster. Correct behavior is to require a license only for such amount of users that have physical mailbox on the appropriate server.
- Some new texts are not localized yet.

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