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How to Monitor System & Software Performance *with Sentry-go*

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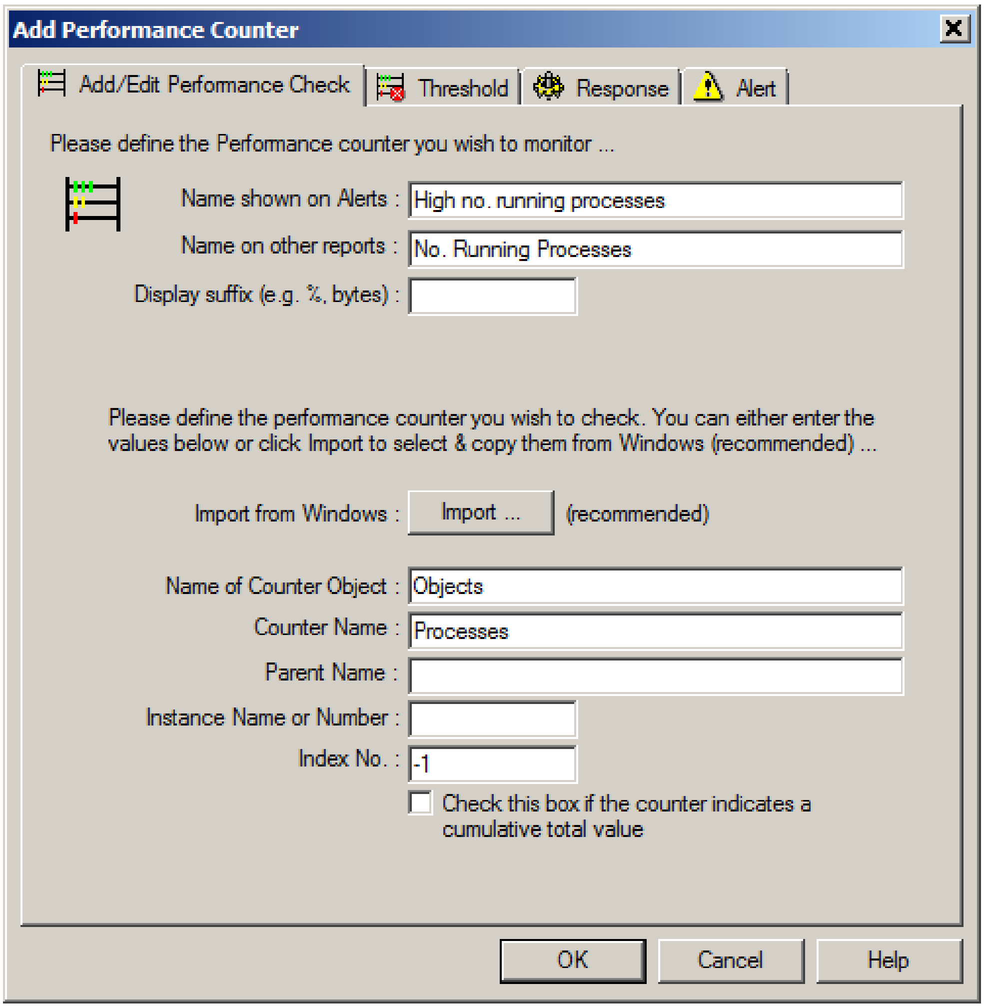
Monitoring the performance of software & hardware resources on your server is quick & simple with Sentry-go. Once configured, the monitor can periodically verify & record performance data, taking action if values go outside expected thresholds and/or alert you when to these detected errors etc.

The performance monitoring options available is dependent on the software installed on your server & the version of Windows being run.

To do this, follow these steps …

- Start the Easy Access Utility or Client Console, select the monitor & click “Configure”.
  Click here for more information on configuring Sentry-go.
- Select the “Perf” button to display the performance configuration list.
- To bulk load standard settings on a locally configured monitor, click the ‘Wizard’ button.
  Click here for more information on running the Performance Setup Wizard.
- Click “Add” to add a new check.

- The properties window for the check will be displayed.

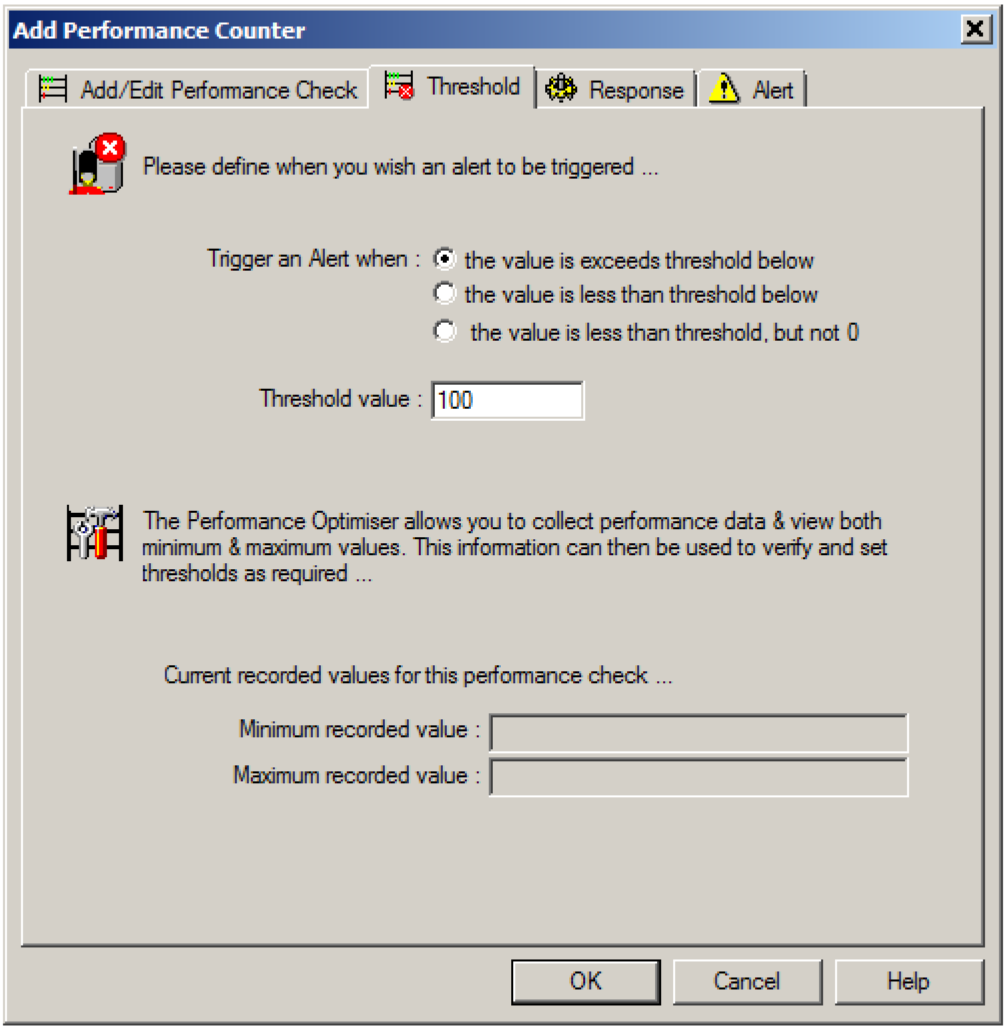


- On the first tab you define the counter that will be monitored …
  - First enter the name that will appear on alerts generated by the monitor – e.g. “High no. running processes”.
  - Next enter the name that will appear on status reports – e.g. “No. running processes”.
  - Depending on the counter being referenced, you can enter a counter suffix (such as % or “bytes”).

  - Typically you will import counter information from Windows, so click the “Import” button.
  - The Windows Performance Counters window will be shown, allowing you to select the counter you wish to use …
    - You can display counter descriptions from within the Windows Performance Counter window.
    - Select the counter.
    - Click OK to copy the values into the definition.

  - If the counter represents a cumulative value (as opposed to an instant value), tick the lower option. This will allow the monitor to reset the values as appropriate.

- Next click the “Threshold” tab.



- On this tab, you will define when an alert will be triggered …
  - First select when you want the alert to be triggered – e.g. when the value returned exceeds the given value.
  - Next enter the threshold. This is the value against which the monitored result is compared.

- Click “Response” to define any automatic action you wish Sentry-go to take in the event the check fails. These settings include …
  - How many errors should occur in succession before action is taken.
  - The auto-response the monitor should take, if any, if the check fails.
  - Click here for more information on defining automatic responses.

- Click “Alert” to define the alert that should be triggered in the event the check fails. This includes …
  - Which group should be notified of the failure.
  - How members of the group should be notified.
  - When notifications should be run etc.
  - Click here for more information on defining alerts.

More Information

If you need more help or information on this topic …

- See Monitoring System & Software Performance.
- Contact our Support Team.
- Watch demonstrations & walkthrough videos on-line.
- Visit http://www.Sentry-go.com.