

# MIN\_CHECKOUT

*Some information on this page refers to LM-X v4.8.1 or newer, which extended the range of valid values for the MIN\_CHECKOUT directive. If you are running a previous version of LM-X, see [documentation for previous versions](#).*

The MIN\_CHECKOUT directive holds licenses after they are checked in if the license was used for less than the specified minimum checkout time. For example, if you specify MIN\_CHECKOUT=240 (4 minutes), and the license is used for 2 minutes, the license will be held for an additional 2 minutes after checkin.

In the same manner as the [HOLD](#) directive, the server holds licenses after the client disconnects until the minimum checkout time has been reached. Valid values range from 1 to 31536000 seconds (1 year).

The MIN\_CHECKOUT directive can be particularly useful when combined with host sharing, which is described in the [SHARE](#) section.

This directive can be used only with network licenses; accordingly, the [COUNT](#) directive *must* be set if MIN\_CHECKOUT is set.