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STANDALONE ELITE VS. STATE REPOSITORY ELITE

Key Differences for EMS and Fire Agencies

Many states provide EMS and Fire agencies access to a state-funded Elite site. In other cases, agencies implement their own standalone Elite system.

Both models run on the same Elite platform. The difference lies in governance, configurability, and control.

Governance & Funding

State Repository Elite
- Funded and managed by the state
- Configuration and oversight handled at the system level
- Agencies operate within state-defined parameters

Standalone Elite
- Purchased and managed by the agency
- Full system-level access and control
- Agency determines configuration and workflow design

Configuration & System-Level Access

While capabilities vary by state, the key distinction is control over system-level tools.

Area	State Repository Elite	Standalone Elite
Form Configuration	May be standardized state-wide or limited by state policy	Fully configurable by the agency
Validation Rules	Managed at the state level	Agency-controlled*
Dataset Manager	Not available at agency level	Available
Permission Groups	Limited to state-defined structures	Fully configurable
Product Add-Ons	May require state approval	Agency-controlled
EMS-to-Fire Workflow	May be limited if systems are separate	Fully integrated on one site

ImageTrend provides agencies with a version of the state validation rules in the library to help them get started when configuring a standalone system.

Because each state structures its repository differently, configurability and access can vary.

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When a State Repository Model May Be a Good Fit

- The state system provides everything the agency needs
- Standardized statewide documentation is preferred
- The agency does not have dedicated administrative resources
- Cost savings is a priority

State repositories often simplify compliance by automatically aligning validation rules and forms with state requirements.

When Standalone May Be a Better Fit

- The agency requires greater configurability
- System-level tools are needed
- EMS and Fire workflows need to operate seamlessly together
- The agency plans to add products or integrations
- There are internal resources available to manage the system

Standalone Elite allows agencies to fully configure workflows, permission structures, and datasets to meet operational goals.

Every State is Different

Because state repository systems vary in structure and permissions, understanding what is available in your specific state is essential.

For agencies evaluating their options, the decision often comes down to governance, configurability, and operational goals. Connect with our team to learn more about the right fit for your agency.