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## Question

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## Answer

To utilize this feature for a particular reader, in System Administration, select the **Enforce Use Limit** check box on the Readers-Settings tab.

A cardholder's use limit is specified on the Badge form of the Cardholders folder. Whenever the cardholder presents his/her credential at a reader where use limits are enforced, the cardholder's use limit is reduced by one (1) on the corresponding access panel. When the count reaches zero (0), the cardholder is unable to access use limit-enforced readers on that panel.

A cardholder's use limit stays in effect until it is manually reset in Alarm Monitoring (by right-clicking on the entry for the use limit exceeded alarm). Or it can be reset by manually executing or scheduling a reset use limit action.

**Note:** The use limit count is preserved when a full database download is performed.

Some applications of the use limit:

- For use by temporary employees or visitors.
- For use at readers that control access to commissaries or other locations of supplies, equipment, or provisions. With use limits enforced in these areas, the credential functions like a debit card.

## Applies To

OnGuard (All versions)

## Additional Information

None

