Business Rules Engines Compared

Feature comparison of 13 platforms | November 2026

DecisionRules

Company	Low-code/no-code	Easy to Learn	Free trial	Case Study Templates	Dedicated Specialist (on request)	Lookup Tables	Built-in Testing	GitHub-like versioning	Decision Analytics	Cloud & on-premise	Integration Platforms	Background processing	AI-Assistant	AI-Agent	MCP Server
DecisionRules	Yes	Yes	Yes 14-day full trial: Free 14-day trial of the Lite plan. Then keep Lite or continue on Free. No credit card.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes Native space versioning: Work in separate branches, compare them and merge when ready. No setup needed.	Yes Built-in dashboards: Trends over time, version comparison, and every decision behind each number.	Yes 3 options: Public cloud, private managed cloud or your own servers.	Yes n8n, Zapier	Yes Up to 24 h: Runs in the background for up to 24 hours using Integration Flow, without any code	Yes	Yes	Yes
Drools	No Java code: Rules are written in Java-based code.	No	Yes Open source	Yes GitHub samples	No	No	Yes Code only: Tests are written in code by developers.	Yes Via Git: Rules are code, so developers keep them in Git.	No	No Self-host only: Runs only on your own servers.	No	No Developers only: Batch runs are written in Java code.	No	No	No Community only: Only unofficial community projects.
Taktile	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No public info	Yes	No public info	Yes	No Cloud only: Runs only in Taktile's AWS cloud. Your decisions and data are kept separate and in the region you choose, but you can't run it on your own servers.	No	No public info	Yes	Yes	No
GoRules	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Value lists only	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No Developers only: No background runs in the platform; big batches need developer code (SDK or PySpark).	Yes Limited to AI credits: Builds, tests and explains rules but uses monthly AI credits.	No	Yes
InRule	Yes	Yes	Yes On request: Trial access is requested through sales.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No History only: Keeps older versions and can compare them, but changes can't be prepared in parallel and merged.	No Tech metrics: Shows latency and errors, not decision outcomes.	Yes	No	No Developers only: No built-in background runs; developers must build their own job scheduler.	Yes	No	No
Decisions	No	No	Yes 7-day full trial: 7-day full trial, then a free non-production licence.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No History only: Keeps older versions and checkpoints, but changes can't be prepared in parallel and merged.	Yes DIY reports: Build your own reports and charts of inputs and results over time.	Yes	No	Yes	Yes Own AI key: Generation only and results can't be refined in the chat.	Yes	Yes Run only: AI tools can run selected flows, but can't create or change rules.
Higson	Yes	No Needs training: Most teams need guided training to get started.	No Demo environment	No	Yes	No One value per key	Yes	No History only: Keeps versions and timelines, but changes can't be prepared in parallel and merged.	No Performance only: Shows rule performance, not decision outcomes.	No Your infra only: Runs on your own servers or your own AWS. Higson doesn't host it for you.	No	No	Yes Beta: Explains and generates tables and functions only; needs your own AI provider.	No ML models only: Runs pre-trained ML models (ONNX), no AI agents.	Yes
FlexRule	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes Via Git	Yes DIY charts: Build charts from datasets	No Your infra only: Runs on your own servers or in your own cloud account (Azure, AWS, Google). FlexRule doesn't host it for you.	No	Yes	No	No ML models only: Trains and runs its own ML models.	No
Nected	Yes	No	Yes	Yes Few: A small number of templates.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes Via GitHub	No Usage only: Shows usage statistics, not charts of decision outcomes.	Yes	No	Yes	Yes Beta: Generates rules from a description; after 5 free chats you need your own AI key.	Yes	No Client only: Its AI Assistant can call other MCP tools, but Nected has no MCP server of its own.
RuleBricks	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes Few: A small number of templates.	Yes	Yes Inside flows only: Lookup tables live inside a single flow, so other rules can't reuse them.	Yes	No History only: Keeps older versions and releases; no parallel drafts to merge found.	Yes	Yes	Yes Zapier	No	Yes	Yes	No
FICO Platform	Not verified Not verified for the cloud FICO Platform. In the older on-premise Blaze Advisor, business users could edit only what developers had prepared.	No	No Customers only: No public trial. Starter packs on FICO Marketplace are available to existing FICO Platform customers only.	Yes Starter packs: Starter packs with sample decision flows.	Yes	No public info	Yes	No public info	Yes	Yes	No	No public info	Yes Cloud only: FICO Assistant is part of FICO Platform, not on-premise Blaze Advisor.	No public info	No No public info: We found no MCP server in public FICO materials; most documentation is for customers only.
Experian	No Scripting needed: About half of the logic needs Experian's own scripting language.	No	No	Yes Lending only: Scorecards and policy rules.	Yes	No public info	Yes	No public info	No Outputs only: Monitors rule outputs; no export to BI tools.	Yes	No	No public info	No Separate product: GenAI is only in the separate Ascend platform.	No Separate product: Agents live in the separate Ascend platform.	No
IBM ODM	No Developer setup: Developers must prepare the data model before business users can edit rules.	No	Yes 30-day trial: 30-day trial of the IBM-hosted version, plus a free developer edition for local testing.	No Samples only: Tutorial sample projects; no library of industry templates.	Yes Via partners: IBM Expert Labs or certified partners.	No Value lists only	Yes	Yes	No Extra module: Each decision can be stored for audit, but charts need IBM's separate Business Automation Insights.	Yes	No	No Developers only: Batch runs are set up by developers on the execution server.	No Separate product: AI rule generation needs separate IBM tools: IBM Bob for developers or IBM Decision Intelligence.	No	Yes Self-installed: Two official MCP servers from IBM that you install and run yourself: one runs decisions, the other manages tests, releases and deployments.

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