

2.3.3.1.2.2 Staking Node

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A **staking node** is usually a [lightweight node \(wallet\)](#). It allows for the aggregation of individual stakeholders stakes in [Proof of Stake \(PoS\)](#) a node network. The collection of tokens (i.e., [coins](#)) has a higher weight ¹⁾ and improves the chances of receiving more rewards for validating a block of transactions. ²⁾

Characteristics of Staking Nodes³⁾

- Ease of setup (basically a [lightweight node \(wallet\)](#))
- No initial startup costs
- No payout delay
- No penalty for being offline
- No minimum balance
- No guarantee of returns
- Usually smaller returns than a [masternode](#)

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See [Weight of Network](#)

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“Blockchain Nodes: An In-Depth Guide”, <https://nodes.com/>

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“Masternode vs Staking”, Solaris Support Center, 26 June 2019, <https://solaris.helpsite.com/articles/24861-masternode-vs-staking>

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