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SQL Server Backup Tips

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Administration

- Check for full SQL Server database backups before creating other backups
- CLR function to delete older backup and log files in SQL Server
- Do you know if your SQL Server database backups are successful
- Large log backups with bulk operations and read only databases
- Move up to a Better Backup Solution with SQL Safe Backup
- SQL Server backup and restore of the Resource database
- SQL Server backup and restore to network drive
- SQL Server Backup Plan
- Using the FORFILES Command to Delete SQL Server Backups
- What is in your SQL Server backup files?

Cloud

- Backing up your SQL Server to Amazon's Cloud in Three Easy Steps
- Backup and Restore SQL Server databases with Azure cloud services and SMO
- Backup and Restore with Cloud services (Windows Azure Blob Storage Service) using PowerShell

Configuration

- Changing the default SQL Server backup folder

- Function to Return Default SQL Server Backup Folder
- Purging MSDB Backup and Restore History from SQL Server
- SQL Server Database Backup Retention Periods
- Stop logging all successful backups in your SQL Server error logs

Copy Only

- Copy Only Backup for SQL Server
- COPY_ONLY Backups with SQL Server

Corruption

- SQL Server error BACKUP detected corruption in the database log

Delete

- Delete old SQL Server backup files with a Stored Procedure

Encryption

- Encrypting SQL Server backups with open source tools
- SQL Server 2014 Backup Encryption

File System

- SQL Server Backup Paths and File Management

Mirrored Backups

- Mirrored Database Backup Feature in SQL Server 2005 and SQL Server 2008

Monitoring

- Automate Tracking SQL Server Backup Times with PowerShell
- How to find out how long a SQL Server backup took
- How to monitor backup and restore progress in SQL Server
- Script to find SQL Server databases without transaction log backups
- Script to retrieve SQL Server database backup history and no backups
- SQL Server Backup History Analysis
- SQL Server Database Backup and Restore Failure Notifications
- Verifying Backups with the RESTORE VERIFYONLY Statement

Notifications

- Automatic Notifications for SQL Server Databases Without Backups

Performance

- Backup Compression Performance Enhancements for SQL Server 2016 TDE Enabled Databases

- Backup to multiple files for faster and smaller SQL Server files
- Options to Improve SQL Server Backup Performance
- Striping SQL Server Database Backups
- Testing SQL Server Backup Performance with Trace Flag 3042

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- Invoking SQL Server Database Backups with PowerShell

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- Checking SQL Server Database Backups When You Don't Have Access
- SSRS report for SQL Server Database Backup Status
- Verify SQL Server Backups Existence in the File System with PowerShell

Scheduling

- Standardize SQL Server backups and maintain existing job schedules

Scripts

- Automating Transaction Log Backups for All SQL Server Databases
- Backup and Restore SQL Server databases programmatically with SMO
- Differential Database Backups for SQL Server
- How to Identify and Backup the Latest SQL Server Database in a Series
- Simple script to backup all SQL Server databases

Security

- Encrypt and safeguard your SQL Server database backups
- Using passwords with SQL Server database backup files

SnapManager

- Comparing SQL Server Native Backup Times to SnapManager Backups
- Configuring Snap Backups with SMSQL for NetApps and SQL Server
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- How to create a simple database backup using SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS)
- SQL Server 2005 Backup Product Options

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- Backup Compression for SQL Server TDE Enabled Databases

Troubleshooting

- Issues with SQL Server backup log with no_log or truncate_only
- SQL Server Backups and Transaction Log Questions
- Validate a SQL Server Backup can be Restored

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