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# Introducing NetBackup interfaces

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## About NetBackup

NetBackup provides a complete, flexible data protection solution for a variety of platforms. The platforms include Microsoft Windows, UNIX, Linux, and NetWare systems.

NetBackup administrators can set up periodic or calendar-based schedules to perform automatic, unattended backups for clients across a network. An

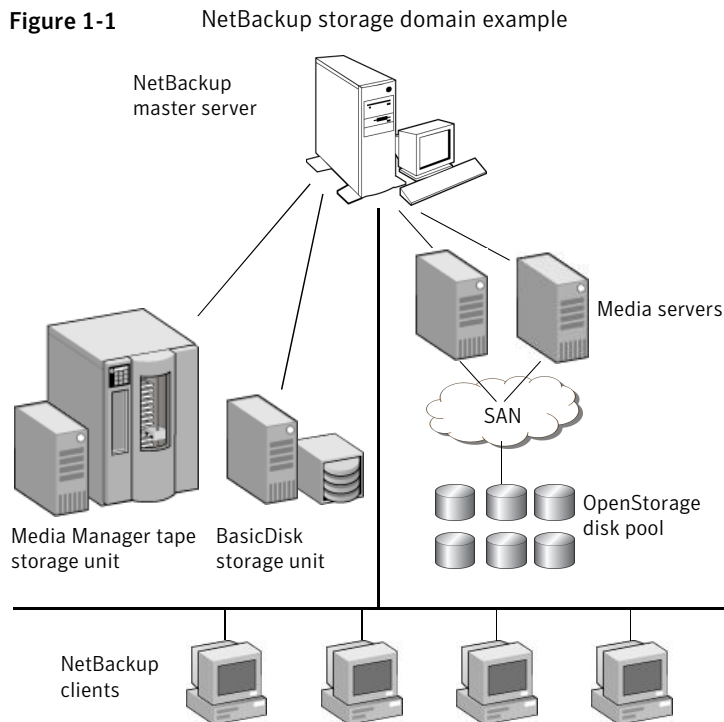
administrator can carefully schedule backups to achieve systematic and complete backups over a period of time, and optimize network traffic during off-peak hours. The backups can be full or incremental. Full backups back up all client files. Incremental backups back up only the files that have changed since the last backup.

The NetBackup administrator can allow users to back up, restore, or archive the files from their computer. (An archive operation backs up a file, then deletes it from the local disk if the backup is successful.)

NetBackup includes both the server and the client software as follows:

- Server software resides on the computer that manages the storage devices.
- Client software resides on computer(s) that contain data to back up. (Servers also contain client software and can be backed up.)

Figure 1-1 shows an example of a NetBackup storage domain.



NetBackup accommodates multiple servers that work together under the administrative control of one NetBackup master server in the following ways:

- The master server manages backups, archives, and restores. The master server is responsible for media and device selection for NetBackup. Typically, the



master server contains the NetBackup catalog. The catalog contains the internal databases that contain information about NetBackup backups and configuration.

- Media servers provide additional storage by allowing NetBackup to use the storage devices that are attached to them. Media servers can also increase performance by distributing the network load. Media servers can also be referred to by using the following terms:
  - Device hosts (when tape devices are present)
  - Storage servers (when I/O is directly to disk)
  - Data movers (when data is sent to independent, external disk devices like OpenStorage appliances)

During a backup or archive, the client sends backup data across the network to a NetBackup server. The NetBackup server manages the type of storage that is specified in the backup policy.

During a restore, users can browse, then select the files and directories to recover. NetBackup finds the selected files and directories and restores them to the disk on the client.

## NetBackup documentation

NetBackup documentation is part of the NetBackup media kit and can be found in a directory on the installation DVD for each release platform.

The documents are in Adobe® Portable Document Format (PDF), viewable with the Adobe Acrobat Reader. Download the reader from <http://www.adobe.com>.

Symantec assumes no responsibility for the installation and use of the reader.

For a complete list of NetBackup technical documents, see the Related Documents appendix in the *NetBackup Release Notes*.

The Symantec support Web site contains links to the most recent documentation plus a list of helpful how-to and product alert topics.

<http://www.symantec.com/business/support/index?page=landing&key=15143>

## About NetBackup administration interfaces

The NetBackup administrator has a choice of several interfaces to use to administer NetBackup. All the interfaces have similar capabilities. The best choice depends on personal preference and the workstation that is available to the administrator.

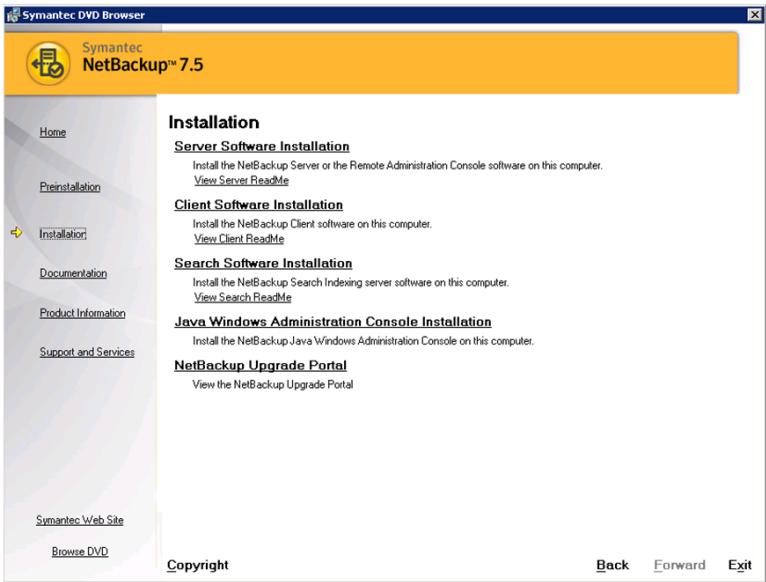
**Table 1-1** NetBackup administration interfaces

<b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>	<p>On Windows:</p> <p>Select <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> from the <b>Start</b> menu.</p> <p>Or, install and use the Java Windows Administration Console. The Java Windows Administration Console is not automatically installed on the system. Installation is available on the main NetBackup for Windows Servers installation screen.</p> <p>On UNIX:</p> <p>The <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> is the recommended interface and is the interface referred to by most procedures and examples in the documentation. Start the Java-based, graphical user interface by running the <code>jnbSA</code> command.</p> <p>You can run the console on a Java-capable UNIX platform and display it back to a Windows system by using third-party X terminal emulation software.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About setting up the NetBackup Administration Console”</a> on page 40.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About using the NetBackup Administration Console”</a> on page 44.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> To log in to any <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, your login credentials must be authenticated from the connecting master or media server. This is true whether or not NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) is in use.</p>
Remote Administration Console	<p>You can install the Remote Administration Console on a Windows computer to administer or manage any remote NetBackup server—Windows or UNIX. No license is required to install the Remote Administration Console.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Figure 1-2</a></p>
Character-based, menu interfaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>NetBackup management</b> Start a character-based, menu interface for NetBackup management by running the <code>bpadm</code> command. You can use the <code>bpadm</code> interface from any terminal (or terminal emulation window) that has a <code>termcap</code> or a <code>terminfo</code> definition.</li> <li>■ <b>Media management</b> Start a character-based, menu interface for media management by running the <code>vmadm</code> command. You can use the <code>vmadm</code> interface from any terminal (or terminal emulation window) that has a <code>termcap</code> or a <code>terminfo</code> definition.</li> <li>■ <b>Device management</b> Start a character-based, menu interface for device management by running the <code>tpconfig</code> command. You can use the <code>tpconfig</code> interface from any terminal (or terminal emulation window) that has a <code>termcap</code> or a <code>terminfo</code> definition.</li> </ul> <p>For more information about the menu interfaces, see the <i>NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II</i>.</p>

Table 1-1 NetBackup administration interfaces (continued)

Command line	<p>Enter NetBackup commands at the system prompt or use them in scripts.</p> <p>All NetBackup administrator programs and commands require root or administrator user privileges by default.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">About authorizing nonroot users for specific applications</a>” on page 983.</p> <p>For complete information on all NetBackup commands, see the <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i>.</p> <p>To view the commands online, use the UNIX <code>man</code> command.</p>

Figure 1-2 NetBackup installation window



## Starting the Java-based Windows Display Console

The NetBackup-Java Windows Display Console is provided with NetBackup software. Use the Windows Display Console to administer UNIX NetBackup servers where a Java-capable UNIX system is not available.

See the *NetBackup Installation Guide* for information about how to install the Windows Display Console.

You can also use the Windows Display Console to administer a NetBackup UNIX or Windows server. Or, use a point-to-point (PPP) connection between the display console and other servers to perform remote administration.

The following procedure describes how to start the Windows display console.

#### To start the Windows display console

- 1 On a Windows system where the Windows Display Console is installed and configured, select **Start > Programs > Symantec NetBackup > NetBackup-Java Version 7.5**.
- 2 The login screen for the **NetBackup Administration Console** displays the host name. Log into another server by typing the name of another host in the **Host name** field. Or, select a host name from the drop-down list.
- 3 In the login screen, type your user name and password. To log into a Windows server, enter both the domain of the server and the user name as follows:

`domain_name\user_name`

The *domain\_name* specifies the domain of the NetBackup host. If the host is not a member of a domain, the *domain\_name* is not required.

- 4 Click *Login* to log into the NetBackup-Java application server program on the specified server. The interface program continues to communicate through the server that is specified in the login screen for the remainder of the current session.

The default host is the last host that was successfully logged into. The drop-down list contains the names of other hosts that have been logged into.

## About setting up the NetBackup Administration Console

NetBackup provides two Java-based administration consoles through which the administrator can manage NetBackup. The consoles can be run on either of the following systems:

- Directly on a supported NetBackup-Java capable UNIX system by running  
`/usr/openv/java/jnbSA &`  
 The `jnbSA` command is described in *NetBackup Commands for UNIX and Linux*.
- On a supported Windows system that has the NetBackup-Java Windows Display Console installed. The Windows Display Console is not automatically installed on Windows systems. Installation is available on the main NetBackup for Windows installation screen.

Startup procedures and configuration information is explained in the following topics.

See [“About the NetBackup-Java Administration Console”](#) on page 977.

See [“Setting up a CDE for NetBackup-Java interfaces”](#) on page 41.

See [“Starting the Java-based Windows Display Console”](#) on page 39.

See [“Administering remote servers and servers of different versions”](#) on page 43.

## Setting up a CDE for NetBackup-Java interfaces

Always set the window manager so that a window becomes active only when clicked. The NetBackup-Java interfaces do not run properly with auto-focus enabled. Auto-focus causes a window to become active when the pointer moves over the window.

The following are general instructions for correctly setting up the focus on a CDE (Common Desktop Environment) window manager. CDE is the preferred window manager for NetBackup-Java applications.

The NetBackup host that is specified on the login dialog box and the computer where you start the NetBackup-Java console must run the same NetBackup version.

The **NetBackup Administration Console** supports remote X Windows display only between same-platform systems. For example, assume that you are on a Solaris system named *system1* and the NetBackup-Java software is on a Solaris system named *system2*. Here, you can display the interface on *system1* by performing `rlogin` to *system2*. Then run `jnbSA -d system1`. However, if *system2* was an HP system, you could display `jnbSA` only directly on *system2*.

In addition, the system where the console appears must run a version of the operating system that the console supports. Refer to the NetBackup release notes for supported versions, including any required release updates.

The `jnbSA` command is described in the *NetBackupCommands Reference Guide*.

### To set up a CDE (Common Desktop Environment) for NetBackup-Java interfaces

- 1 On the front panel in the **CDE** window, click the **Style Manager** control icon.
- 2 On the Style Manager toolbar, click the Window control icon.
- 3 In the Style Manager-Window dialog box, click the **Click In Window To Make Active** button.
- 4 Click **OK**.
- 5 Click **OK** when prompted to Restart the Workspace Manager.

## Starting the NetBackup-Java Administration Console

Use the following procedure to start the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** on a NetBackup-Java capable UNIX system.

All operations are performed through the NetBackup-Java application server that runs on all NetBackup-supported systems. Log into the NetBackup-Java application server that runs on the NetBackup server you want to administer.

**To start the NetBackup-Java Administration Console on a NetBackup-Java capable UNIX system**

- 1 Log in as `root` on the NetBackup client or server where you want to start the **NetBackup Administration Console**. The client or server must be NetBackup-Java capable.

- 2 Start the console by entering the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/java/jnbSA &
```

- 3 In the login screen, type or select the name of the UNIX master server host where you initially want to manage NetBackup.

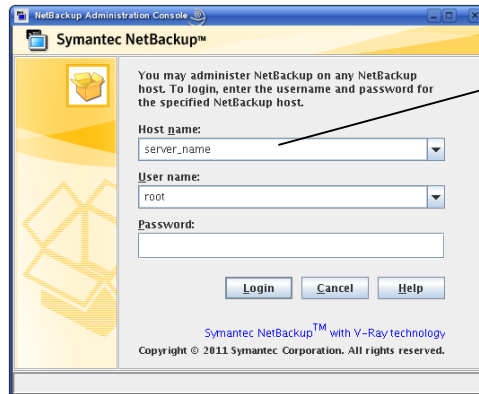
- 4 Specify your user name and password, then click **Login**.

You are logged into the NetBackup-Java application server program on the specified server. The console program continues to communicate through the server you specified for the remainder of the current session.

- 5 Start a utility by clicking on it in the left pane.

- 6 To administer a different NetBackup server, select **File > Change Server** to select a remote NetBackup server on which to make configuration changes.

To log in, your login credentials must be authenticated from the connecting master or media server. This is true whether or not NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) is in use.



The host entered here must run the same NetBackup version as the computer where the NetBackup Administration Console is started

## Administering remote servers and servers of different versions

In a site that contains multiple master servers, you can configure the systems so that one **NetBackup Administration Console** can access remote servers. Indicate a remote server by using one of the following methods:

- Use the **File > Change Server** menu command.
- Use the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**. Indicate a remote system upon NetBackup login.

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**Note:** To log in to any **NetBackup Administration Console**, your login credentials must be authenticated from the connecting master or media server. This is true whether or not NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) is in use.

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The **NetBackup Administration Console** on Windows and the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** on UNIX are backward-compatible in the following situations:

- From the console of an x.x.x (double-dot) or x.x.x.x (triple-dot) release to the console of any release that shares the first and second digits.  
For example, a NetBackup 7.0.1 console can administer a NetBackup 7.0 master server. However, a NetBackup 7.1 console (a single-dot release) cannot administer a 7.0 or 7.0.1 master server because the second digits are not the same. [Figure 1-3](#) shows examples of each.
- The NetBackup-Java Administration Console on UNIX offers an exception when the `-r` option is used with the `jnbSA` command to start the console. The `-r` option lets a x.x NetBackup-Java Administration Console connect to another UNIX master server that is several versions earlier, regardless of whether the second digit is the same.

For example, a 7.5 NetBackup-Java Administration Console can connect to a NetBackup master server at 7.1, 7.0, 6.5, or 6.0. [Figure 1-4](#) shows examples of back-level console support.

Use the `-r` option to launch the console on the UNIX system as follows:

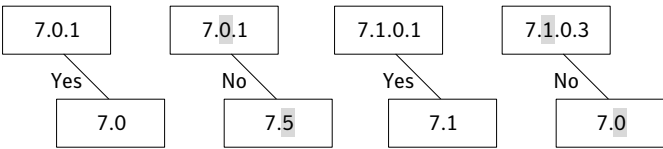
```
./jnbSA -r release_version
```

For example, to connect to a 7.0 master server from a 7.5 NetBackup-Java Administration Console, enter the following on the 7.5 master server to start the 7.0 console:

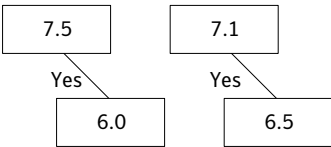
```
./jnbSA -r 7.0
```

If no `-r` option is specified, the default is the current NetBackup version.

**Figure 1-3** Examples of supported and unsupported back-level console configurations



**Figure 1-4** Examples of additional NetBackup-Java Administration Console back-level support using the `jnbSA -r` option



See the *NetBackup Installation Guide* for information about installing earlier versions of the NetBackup-Java Administration Console.

# About using the NetBackup Administration Console

The **NetBackup Administration Console** provides a graphical user interface through which the administrator can manage NetBackup. The interface can run on any NetBackup Java-capable system.



Figure 1-5 NetBackup Administration Console

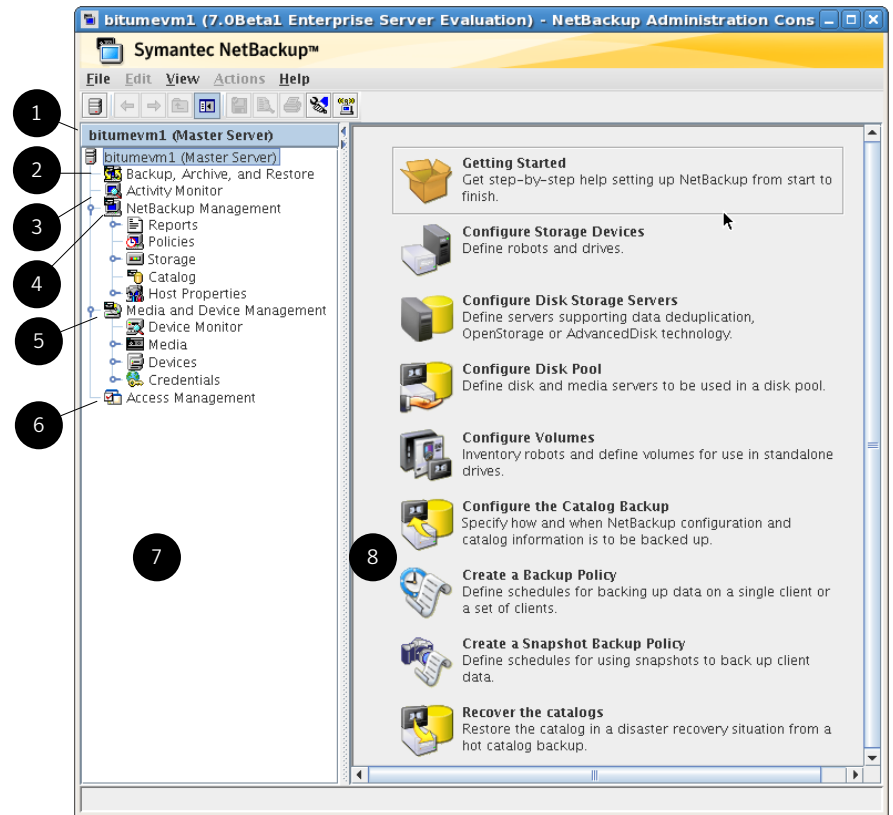


Table 1-2 NetBackup Administration Console

Number	Description
1	The name of the currently selected master server.  The information in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> applies to this server only.
2	<b>Backup, Archive, and Restore</b>  Performs the client actions for this system.
3	<b>Activity Monitor</b>  Displays the NetBackup job information. The <b>Activity Monitor</b> provides the control over the jobs, services, processes, and drives.

Table 1-2 NetBackup Administration Console (continued)

Number	Description
4	<b>NetBackup Management</b>  Contains the utilities to create and view reports, to configure policies, storage units, catalog backups, and a utility for configuring host properties.
5	<b>Media and Device Management</b>  Contains the utilities for managing the media and devices that NetBackup uses to store backups.
6	<b>Access Management</b>  Use to define user groups and grant permissions to these groups. The contents are viewable only by a Security Administrator when NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) is configured.  For more information about NetBackup Access Control, see the <i>NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide</i> .
7	Additional licensed utilities appear under the main NetBackup nodes.
8	The Details pane contains the configuration wizards and details specific to the utility that is selected.

You can also administer NetBackup through a character-based, menu interface (bpadm). bpadm is described in the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

Command prompts are used to perform some operations. NetBackup commands are described in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

The **NetBackup Administration Console** menus are described in the online Help.

## Standard and user toolbars

Upon opening the **NetBackup Administration Console**, a standard toolbar appears by default.

When certain utilities are selected, a user toolbar appears. The buttons on the toolbar provide shortcuts for menu commands. Slowly drag the pointer over a button to display a button description label.

To display or hide the standard NetBackup toolbar, click **View > Show Toolbar**.

## About customizing the NetBackup Administration Console

The **View** menu contains options to customize the **NetBackup Administration Console**.

For example, the **Options** selection opens a series of tabs that contains various configuration options for the different utilities.

Select the **Administrative Options** tab to configure the **Auto log off timeout** option. Use this option to automatically log a user out of the **NetBackup Administration Console** after a period of inactivity.

Click the **Help** button for more information about the dialog box options.

## NetBackup configuration wizards

The easiest way to configure NetBackup is to use the configuration wizards. The wizard selection varies in the **Details** pane on the right, depending on which NetBackup utility is selected in the left portion of the screen.

The wizards help configure the basic properties of a NetBackup environment. After completing these basic wizards, you should be able to back up clients and perform a back up the NetBackup catalog.

**Table 1-3** Configuration wizards

Wizard	Description
Getting Started Wizard	<p>Configures NetBackup for the first time. The wizard leads the user through the necessary steps to a working NetBackup configuration.</p> <p>The Getting Started Wizard is comprised of the following wizards, which can also be run separately, outside of the Getting Started Wizard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Device Configuration Wizard</li><li>■ Volume Configuration Wizard</li><li>■ Catalog Recovery Wizard</li><li>■ Policy Configuration Wizard</li></ul> <p>Configure more advanced properties through the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>. You also can use the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> if you prefer not to use the wizards.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Do not use the Getting Started Wizard to configure policies for Replication Director.</p>
Device Configuration Wizard	<p>Click <b>Configure Disk Storage Servers</b> to configure NetBackup to use robotic tape libraries and tape drives.</p>
Storage Server Configuration Wizard	<p>Click <b>Configure Disk Storage Servers</b> to create the servers that manage disk storage.</p> <p>The wizard appears if an Enterprise Disk Option license or NetBackup Deduplication Option license is installed.</p>

Table 1-3 Configuration wizards (continued)

Wizard	Description
Cloud Storage Server Configuration Wizard	Click <b>Configure Cloud Storage Servers</b> to add or configure a cloud provider. For more information, see the <i>NetBackup Cloud Administrator's Guide</i> .
Disk Pool Configuration Wizard	Click <b>Configure Disk Pool</b> to create pools of disk volumes for backup by one or more media servers.  The wizard appears if an Enterprise Disk Option license or NetBackup Deduplication Option license is installed.
Volume Configuration Wizard	Click <b>Configure Volumes</b> to configure removable media to use for backups.
Catalog Recovery Wizard	Click <b>Configure the Catalog Backup</b> to set up catalog backups. Catalog backups are essential to recover data in the case of a server failure or crash.
Policy Configuration Wizard	Click <b>Create a Policy</b> to set up one of the policy types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ A policy to back up file systems, databases, or applications.</li><li>■ A policy to create snapshots.</li><li>■ A policy for to protect VMware or Hyper-V virtual machines.</li><li>■ A policy to back up NDMP hosts.</li></ul> <b>Note:</b> Do not use the Policy Configuration Wizard to configure policies for Replication Director.
Catalog Recovery Wizard	Click <b>Recover the Catalog</b> to recover a catalog backup in a disaster recovery situation.  For more information about NetBackup disaster recovery, see the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i> .

## About the Backup, Archive, and Restore utility

Use the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** utility to perform backups and archives for this system, and restores for this system and other clients.

Users can back up, archive, and restore files, directories, and the formatted raw partitions that reside on their own client computer. A user can restore files at any time. However, a user can back up and archive files only during the time periods that the administrator defines within a schedule for user backups. Users can view the progress and final status of the operations performed.

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**Note:** An archive is a special type of backup. During an archive, NetBackup first backs up the selected files, then deletes the files from the local disk if the backup is successful. In this manual, references to backups also apply to the backup portion of archive operations (except where otherwise noted).

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Documentation for the NetBackup client is available as online Help from the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** interface.

## Activity Monitor utility

Use the Activity Monitor utility to monitor and control NetBackup jobs, daemons, and processes.

See [“About the Activity Monitor”](#) on page 901.

## NetBackup Management utilities

The following topics describe the utilities that are found under the **NetBackup Management** node in the **NetBackup Administration Console** tree:

### ■ Reports

Use the **Reports** utility to compile information for to verify, manage, and troubleshoot NetBackup operations.

See [“About the Reports utility”](#) on page 948.

### ■ Policies

Use the **Policies** utility to create and specify the backup policies that define the rules for backing up a group of clients.

For example, the backup policy specifies when automatic backups occur for the clients that are specified in the policy. The backup policy also specifies whether users can perform their own backups and when. The administrator can define any number of backup policies, each of which can apply to one or more clients. A NetBackup client must belong to at least one backup policy to be backed up.

See [“About the Policies utility”](#) on page 596.

### ■ Storage

Use the **Storage** utility to display storage unit information and manage NetBackup storage units. A storage unit can be part of a storage unit group as well as part of a storage lifecycle policy, both of which are configured within the **Storage** utility.

Storage units simplify administration because once defined, the NetBackup policy points to a storage unit rather than to the individual devices it contains.

For example, if a storage unit contains two drives and one is busy, NetBackup can use the other drive without administrator intervention.

The media can be one of the following:

- **Removable** (such as tape in a robot or a stand-alone drive).  
The devices in a removable-media storage unit must attach to a NetBackup master or media server and be under control of the NetBackup Media Manager component. The administrator first configures the drives, robots, and media in NetBackup, then defines the storage units. During a backup, NetBackup sends data to the storage unit that the backup policy specifies. During a backup, Media Manager picks a device to which the NetBackup client sends data.

- **Disk** (such as a file directory within a file system or a collection of disk volumes, either independent file systems or in an appliance).  
The administrator specifies the directory, volume, or disk pool during the storage unit setup. For BasicDisk, NetBackup sends the data to that directory during backups. For the Enterprise Disk Options, NetBackup sends the data to the storage server (the host that writes to the storage). Media Manager is not involved.

For disk pool storage, the administrator first defines the storage server and (depending on the disk type) its logon credentials. Depending on disk type, the administrator may have to define logon credentials for the storage itself. The administrator also selects the disk volumes that comprise the disk pool. To create a storage unit, the administrator selects a disk pool and (depending on the disk type) selects the media server(s) to move the data.

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**Note:** Only the storage units that point to shareable disk can specify more than one media server.

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See [“About the Storage utility”](#) on page 483.

## ■ **Catalog**

Use the **Catalog** utility to create and configure a catalog backup, which is a special type of backup that NetBackup requires for its own internal databases. These databases, called catalogs, are located on the NetBackup master and media server (default location). The catalogs contain information on every client backup. Catalog backups are tracked separately from other backups to ensure recovery in case of a server crash.

The **Catalog** utility is also used for the following actions:

- To duplicate a backup image

- To promote a backup image from a copy to the primary backup copy
- To manually expire backup images
- To import expired backup images or images from another NetBackup server
- To search for a backup image to verify the contents of the media with what is recorded in the NetBackup catalog

See [“About the Catalog utility”](#) on page 847.

#### ■ Host Properties

Use the **Host Properties** utility to customize NetBackup configuration options. In most instances, no changes are necessary. However, **Host Properties** lets the administrator customize NetBackup to meet specific site preferences and requirements for master servers, media servers, and clients.

See [“About the NetBackup Host Properties”](#) on page 63.

## Media and Device Management utilities

The following topics describe the utilities that are found under **Media and Device Management** utilities in the **NetBackup Administration Console** tree.

**Table 1-4** Media and device management utilities

Utility	Description
<b>Device Monitor</b>	Manages drives, device paths, and service requests for operators.
<b>Media</b>	Adds and manages removable media.
<b>Devices</b>	Adds, configures, and manages storage devices.
<b>Credentials</b>	<p>Adds, removes, and manages log on credentials for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ NDMP hosts (requires the NetBackup for NDMP license).</li><li>■ Storage servers (requires a NetBackup Deduplication Option or an Enterprise Disk Option license).</li></ul> <p><b>Credentials</b> appears only if one of the previously mentioned license keys is installed.</p>

## Running the Troubleshooter

When a NetBackup job returns a status code, use the **Troubleshooter** to find a description of the problem and a recommended solution. The **Troubleshooter** is particularly useful for understanding the status of a job in the **Activity Monitor** or in the **Reports** utility.

### To run the Troubleshooter

**1** In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, do one of the following:

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <p>To understand the status of a job in the Activity Monitor</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the left pane, click <b>Activity Monitor</b>.</li> <li>■ In the right pane, select the <b>Jobs</b> tab at the bottom of the pane.</li> <li>■ Select a job from the list.</li> </ul>  |
| <p>To understand the status of a job in a report</p>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the left pane, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Reports</b>.</li> <li>■ In the left pane, click the name of the report you want to run.<br/>For some reports, you must first expand a report group, and then click the name of the report.</li> <li>■ In the right pane, click <b>Run Report</b>.</li> <li>■ Select a job from the list that is generated.</li> </ul> |
| <p>To look up a status code</p>                                  | <p>Go to step <a href="#">2</a>.</p>   |

**2** Click **Help > Troubleshooter**.

The dialog box that appears describes the status code on the **Problem** tab. Possible solutions can be found on the **Troubleshoot** tab. The **Symantec Support** tab displays the Web address of Symantec Support or the URL to a technote that addresses the specific error code.

**3** If no explanation appears, enter a status code and click **Lookup**.

The **Troubleshooter** provides assistance for NetBackup codes only. Assistance with Media and Device Management codes is available by using NetBackup online Help and searching for the particular status code.

See [“Viewing job details”](#) on page 906.

See [“About the Jobs tab”](#) on page 904.

## Access Management utility

NetBackup administrators can protect a NetBackup configuration by defining who may access NetBackup and what functions a user group can perform. This access control is configured by using the **Access Management** utility. **Access Management** is enabled when NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization and NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) is installed and configured.

For installation and configuration information, see Access Management in the *NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide*.



# Administering NetBackup licenses

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About administering NetBackup licenses](#)

## About administering NetBackup licenses

License keys are added when the software is installed. Licenses can be added later in the **License Key** dialog box for separately-priced options.

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**Note:** Restart the **NetBackup Administration Console** after any license updates.

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**Note:** Perform a manual hot catalog backup after updating license keys.

An immediate, manual catalog backup prevents stale keys from being restored in case a catalog restore is necessary before the next scheduled catalog backup.

See [“Backing up NetBackup catalogs manually”](#) on page 795.

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A NetBackup capacity licensing utility is now available, which reports on the total amount of data that is protected by NetBackup.

For more information see the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

Perform the following tasks from the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box:

- Add a new license.  
See [“Adding new license keys”](#) on page 55.
- Print a license.  
See [“Printing license key lists”](#) on page 56.

- Delete a license.  
See [“Deleting license keys”](#) on page 56.
- View the properties of one license.  
See [“Viewing license key properties”](#) on page 57.
- Export the license list.  
See [“Exporting license keys”](#) on page 57.

The license key utility is a menu-driven interface and can also be used to access licenses.

See [“Starting the NetBackup license key utility”](#) on page 57.

## Accessing license keys for a NetBackup server

Use the following procedure to access license keys for a NetBackup server.

### To access license keys for a NetBackup server

- 1 To view the license keys of the current server:  
  
In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **Help > License Keys**.  
  
To view the license keys of another server:  
  
In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **File > Change Server**, select another server, and click **OK**. In the toolbar, click **Help > License Keys** in the remote server.
- 2 Select the license details to view as follows:

<b>Summary of active licensed features</b>	Displays a summary of the active features that are licensed on this server. This view lists each feature and the number of instances of the feature that are licensed.
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<b>Summary of active capacity-based licensed features</b>	Displays the storage capacity for which the NetBackup environment is licensed and the capacity in use. The summary also notes whether the license is in compliance. The summary does not display the amount of physical storage space.
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All capacity values are calculated based on the definition that one terabyte = 1,099,511,627,776 bytes.

The OpenStorage Disk Option, the PureDisk Storage Option, and the Virtual Tape Option do not display all values at this time.

**All registered license keys details**

Displays the details of the license keys that are registered on this server.

The view lists the following:

- Each license key
- The server where the key is registered
- When the key was registered,
- The features that the key provides

**3** Perform the following tasks from the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box:

- Add a new license.  
See [“To add new license keys”](#) on page 55.
- Print a license.  
See [“To print license key lists”](#) on page 56.
- Delete a license.  
See [“To delete license keys”](#) on page 56.
- View the properties of one license.  
See [“Viewing license key properties”](#) on page 57.
- Export the license list.  
See [“To export license keys”](#) on page 57.

## Adding new license keys

Use the following procedure to add new license keys.

**To add new license keys**

**1** To add a license to the current server:

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **Help > License Keys**.

To add a license to another server:

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **File > Change Server**, then select another server and click **OK**. Click **Help > License Keys** in the remote server.

**2** In the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box, click the **New** button.

**3** Enter the license key and click **OK**.

- 4 Restart all the NetBackup utilities (including the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**) after adding the license keys.
- 5 Perform a manual catalog backup after updating license keys.  
  
An immediate, manual catalog backup prevents stale keys from being restored in case a catalog restore is necessary before the next scheduled catalog backup.  
  
See [“Backing up NetBackup catalogs manually”](#) on page 795.

## Printing license key lists

Use the following procedure to print license key lists.

### To print license key lists

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **Help > License Keys**. In the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box, select the license key you want to print. If no selection is made, all licenses print.  
  
The printed information includes the following:
  - License key
  - Name of the host
  - Date the key was added
  - Name of the product
  - Number of instances
  - Name of the feature
  - Whether or not the license is valid
  - Expiration date for the license
- 2 In the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box, click the **Print** button.
- 3 Make the print selections and click **OK**.

## Deleting license keys

Use the following procedure to delete license keys.

### To delete license keys

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **Help > License Keys**. In the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box, select the license key you want to delete from the license key list. If the key has more than one feature, all the features are listed in the dialog box.
- 2 In the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box, click the **Delete** button.

- 3 Click **Yes** to delete all the features that are associated with the key. The license key cannot be restored.  
  
If the key appears in the list more than one time, deleting one instance deletes all other instances of the key from the list.
- 4 Restart all the NetBackup utilities (including the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**) after deleting the license keys.

## Viewing license key properties

Use the following procedure to view the properties of a license key.

### To view the properties of a license key

- ◆ In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **Help > License Keys**. In the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box, select one license and click the **Properties** button.

## Exporting license keys

Use the following procedure to export license keys.

### To export license keys

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **Help > License Keys**. In the **NetBackup License Keys** dialog box, click the **Export** button.
- 2 In the **Save As** dialog box, enter the path and the file name where you want the key properties of all licenses to be exported.
- 3 Click **Save**.

The exported file contains a list of each license key, along with the:

- Name of the host
- Date the license was added
- Name of the product
- Number of instances
- Name of the feature
- Whether or not the license is valid
- Expiration date for the license

## Starting the NetBackup license key utility

Use the following procedure to start the NetBackup license key utility.

### To start the NetBackup license key utility

- 1 Run `/usr/openv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/get_license_key` command.
- 2 At the prompt, enter one of the following menu selections, then press `Enter`:
  - Type `A` to add a new license key, then type the license key at the prompt.
  - Type `D` to delete a license from the list, then type the license key at the prompt.
  - Type `F` to list only the licenses that are currently active. Expired licenses do not appear in this listing. Specify a local or a remote host.
  - Type `L` to list all registered licenses—active or inactive. Specify a local or a remote host.
  - Type `H` for help on the License Key Utility.
  - Type `q` to quit the utility.

## Configuring hosts

- [Chapter 3. Configuring Host Properties](#)
- [Chapter 4. Configuring server groups](#)
- [Chapter 5. Configuring host credentials](#)
- [Chapter 6. Managing media servers](#)





# Configuring Host Properties

This chapter includes the following topics:

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- [Bandwidth properties](#)
- [Busy File Settings properties](#)
- [Clean-up properties](#)
- [Client Name properties](#)
- [Client Attributes properties](#)
- [Client Settings properties for NetWare clients](#)
- [Client Settings \(UNIX\) properties](#)
- [Client Settings properties for Windows clients](#)
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## About the NetBackup Host Properties

The **Host Properties** and configuration options let an administrator customize NetBackup to meet specific site preferences and requirements. In most instances, however, the NetBackup defaults provide satisfactory results.

[Figure 3-1](#) shows the **Host Properties** in the **NetBackup Administration Console**.

**Figure 3-1** Host Properties utility

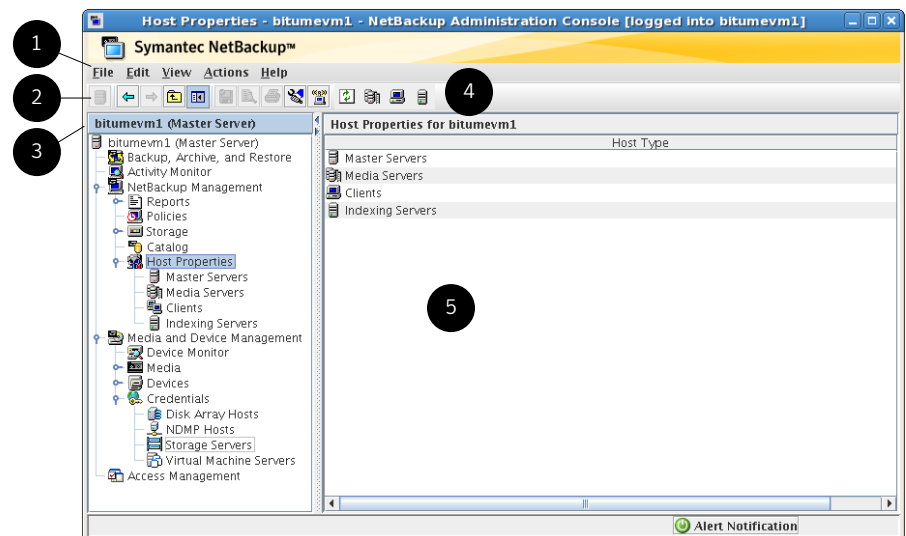


Table 3-1 Host Properties utility

Number	Description
1	The menu toolbar.
2	The standard NetBackup toolbar. See “ <a href="#">Standard and user toolbars</a> ” on page 46.
3	The name of the currently selected master server.
4	<p>The user toolbar is specific to the <b>Host Properties</b> utility.</p> <p>By default, the <b>Host Properties</b> user toolbar includes the following buttons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Select a host in the right pane and click <b>Properties</b> to view the properties of that host.</li><li>■ Select a host in the right pane and click <b>Connect</b> to connect to that host.</li><li>■ Click <b>Configure media server</b> to name a media server and view its properties.</li><li>■ Click <b>Configure Client</b> to name a client and view its properties.</li><li>■ Click <b>Configure Indexing Server</b> to name an indexing server and view its properties.</li></ul> <p>You can select which buttons appear on the user toolbar.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Standard and user toolbars</a>” on page 46.</p>
5	Right-click in the right pane to view the shortcut menu.

An administrator can use one of the following methods to change the defaults:

Table 3-2 NetBackup Host Properties configuration methods

Configuration method	Description
Host Properties	<p>To navigate to the various properties, select <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b>. Depending on the host to be configured, select <b>Master Servers</b>, <b>Media Servers</b>, or <b>Clients</b>.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">About the NetBackup Host Properties</a>” on page 63.</p>
bp.conf file	<p>Use the <code>bpgetconfig</code> command to obtain a list of configuration entries in the <code>bp.conf</code> file, and then use <code>bpsetconfig</code> to change the entries.</p> <p>The <code>bp.conf</code> file is found in the following location:</p> <p><code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code></p> <p>See “<a href="#">About the bp.conf entries for servers</a>” on page 226.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">bp.conf options for UNIX clients</a>” on page 282.</p>

**Table 3-2** NetBackup Host Properties configuration methods (*continued*)

Configuration method	Description
<code>vm.conf</code> file	The <code>vm.conf</code> file contains configuration entries for media and device management. See the <i>NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II</i> for more information.
<code>nbemmcmd</code> command	Use the <code>nbemmcmd</code> command to modify some options.  Detailed information on the <code>nbemmcmd</code> command is available in the <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i> .
On clients	Administrators can specify configuration options.  See the <i>NetBackup Backup, Archive, and Restore Getting Started Guide</i> .

To change the properties of another client or server, the NetBackup server where you logged on using the **NetBackup Administration Console** must be in the **Servers** list on the other system.

See [“Servers properties”](#) on page 251.

For example, if you logged on to `server_1` using the **NetBackup Administration Console** and want to change a setting on `client_2`, `client_2` must include `server_1` in its **Servers** list.

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**Note:** All updates to a destination host fail if **Allow server file writes** is not enabled on the destination host. This property is located in the **Universal Settings** properties.

See [“Universal Settings properties”](#) on page 218.

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See [“About adding a NetBackup server to a server list”](#) on page 966.

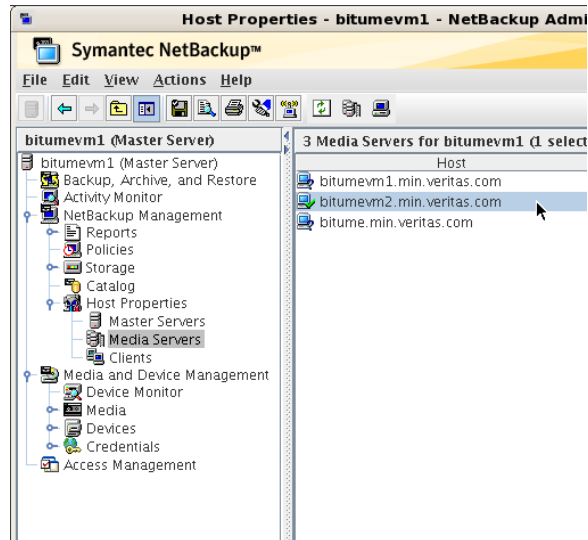
## Viewing host properties

The **NetBackup Administration Console** displays properties for NetBackup master servers, media servers, and clients under **Host Properties**.

Use the following procedure to view master server, media server, or client properties.

To view master server, media server, or client properties

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**.



- 2 Select **Master Servers**, **Media Servers**, or **Clients**.
- 3 In the right pane, click the server or client to view the version and platform. Then double-click to view the properties.

To see the properties of a different master server, click **File > Change Server**.

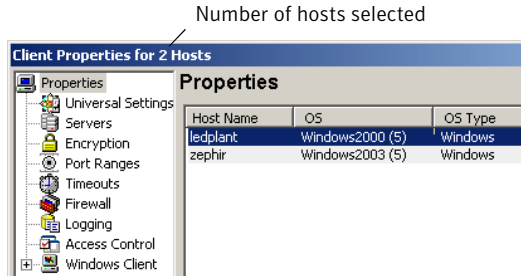
## Changing the host properties on multiple hosts at the same time

You can select more than one host and change multiple hosts at one time. Use the following procedure to change properties on multiple hosts at the same time.

To simultaneously change the properties on multiple hosts

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**.
- 2 Select **Master Servers**, **Media Servers**, or **Clients**.
- 3 In the right pane, select a host. Hold down the **Shift** key and select another host.
- 4 With multiple hosts still selected, click **Actions > Properties**.

The properties dialog box displays the names of the selected hosts that are affected by subsequent host property changes.



The following information about each selected host appears:

- Server or client name
- Operating system
- Type of computer in the configuration
- Identifier
- IP address

- 5 Make changes as necessary.
- 6 Click **OK** to save the changes for all hosts and to close the dialog box.

## Property states for multiple hosts

The **Host Properties** dialog boxes use the following conventions regarding multiple host selections:

Title of dialog box	<p>If a dialog box contains a <b>Selected Host</b> (or similarly named) box, all controls reflect the values for the host currently selected in the <b>Selected Host</b> box.</p> <p>If a dialog box does not contain a <b>Selected Host</b> (or similarly named) box, settings of all the selected hosts are combined to arrive at a value that is displayed to the user.</p>
Option selection	<p>When multiple hosts are selected, no options appear selected. Selecting any option updates the setting on all selected hosts. To leave each host configured independently, do not select any option while multiple hosts are selected.</p>

Number spinners	When multiple hosts are selected, number spinners appear blank. Selecting any value updates the setting on all selected hosts. To leave each host configured independently, do not select any option while multiple hosts are selected.
Check box states	<p>The host property check boxes may appear in one of the following states:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Selected (checked) if the attribute has been set the same for all selected hosts. To set the property on all selected hosts, select the check box.</li><li>■ Clear (unchecked) if the property has been set the same for all selected hosts. To clear the property on all selected hosts, clear the check box.</li><li>■ Gray check if the property is set differently on the selected hosts. To leave the property unchanged, set the box to a gray check.</li></ul>
Edit field states	<p>If the property contains a text field for specifying a value, the field may be in one of the following states:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The field may contain a value if the property has the same value for all selected hosts.</li><li>■ The field may be empty or indicate &lt;&lt;Multiple Entries&gt;&gt; if the property was not set the same for all selected hosts. When the cursor is moved to such a field, a small notice appears at the bottom of the dialog box noting that the value is different on the selected hosts.</li></ul>

If the focus is on a setting that is set differently between the multiple selected hosts, the following statement appears at the bottom of the dialog box:

**This value is different on the selected hosts.**

This notice is especially helpful regarding differences in text field settings.

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**Note:** In a clustered environment, host properties must be made on each node of the cluster separately.

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If the selected hosts are of various operating systems, none of the operating system-specific information appears.

For example, select a Linux client and a Windows 2008 client. Neither the **Windows Client** properties nor the **UNIX Client** properties appear in the **Host Properties**. If all the selected hosts are of the same operating system, the corresponding properties node appears.



## Exporting host properties

Use the following procedure to export the properties of a host.

To export the properties of a host

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management** > **Host Properties** > **Master Servers**, **Media Servers**, or **Clients**.
- 2 Select a host. If you want to select multiple hosts, hold down the **Shift** key and select another host.
- 3 Click **File** > **Export**.
- 4 In the **Save As** dialog box, enter the full path name and click **Save**.

## Standard host property dialog box options

The following options are available in every host property dialog box.

<b>Default</b>	Click <b>Defaults</b> to set all the properties in the current dialog box to the default values.
<b>OK</b>	Click <b>OK</b> to apply all changes since <b>Apply</b> was last clicked. <b>OK</b> also closes the dialog box.
<b>Cancel</b>	Click <b>Cancel</b> to cancel the changes that were made since the last time changes were applied.
<b>Apply</b>	Click <b>Apply</b> to save changes to all of the properties for the selected host(s).
<b>Help</b>	Click <b>Help</b> for information on the properties that appear in the current dialog box.

## Access Control properties

Use the **AccessControl** host properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to configure NetBackup Authentication and Authorization. The properties apply to currently selected master servers, media servers, and clients.

The following tabs may display:

- Authentication Domain tab  
See [“Authentication Domain tab”](#) on page 70.
- Authorization Service tab  
See [“Authorization Service tab”](#) on page 72.
- Network Attributes

See “[Network Attributes tab](#)” on page 73.

The tabs that display depend on whether the host that is selected is a master server, a media server, or a client.

The **NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization** property displays, regardless of which tab is selected. It determines whether the local system uses access control and how the system uses it.

The **NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization** property contains the following options.

**Table 3-3** NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization property options

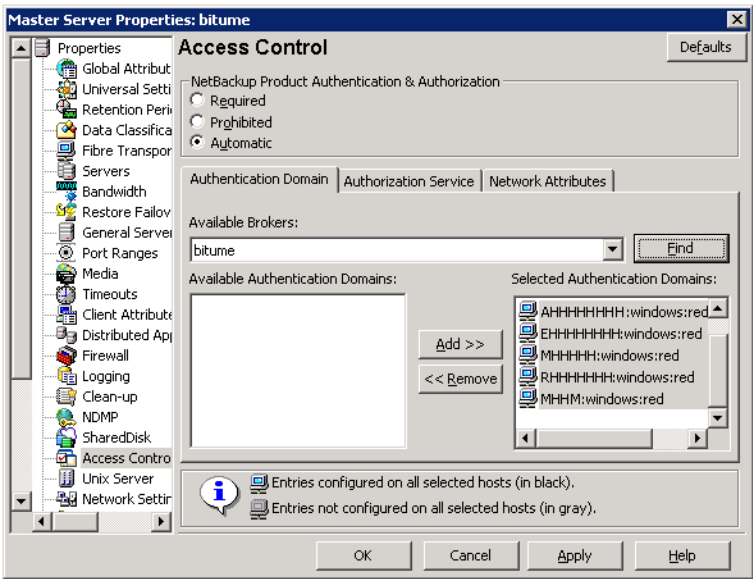
Option	Description
<b>Required</b>	Specifies that the local system should accept requests only from the remote systems that use NetBackup authentication and authorization. Connections from the remote systems that do not use NetBackup authentication and authorization are rejected. Select <b>Required</b> if all systems are at NetBackup 5.0 or later and maximum security is required.
<b>Prohibited</b>	Specifies that the local system should reject connections from any remote system that uses NetBackup authentication and authorization. Select <b>Prohibited</b> if the network is closed and maximum performance is required.
<b>Automatic</b>	Specifies that the local system should negotiate with the remote system about whether to use NetBackup authentication and authorization. Select <b>Automatic</b> if the network contains mixed versions of NetBackup.

For more information about controlling access to NetBackup, see the *NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide*.

## Authentication Domain tab

The **Authentication Domain** tab contains the properties that determine which authentication broker a computer uses. A master server that uses NetBackup authentication and authorization must have at least one authentication domain entry.

Figure 3-2 Authentication Domain tab



If a media server or client does not define an authentication domain, it uses the authentication domains of its master server.

The **Authentication Domain** tab on the **Access Control** dialog box contains the following properties.

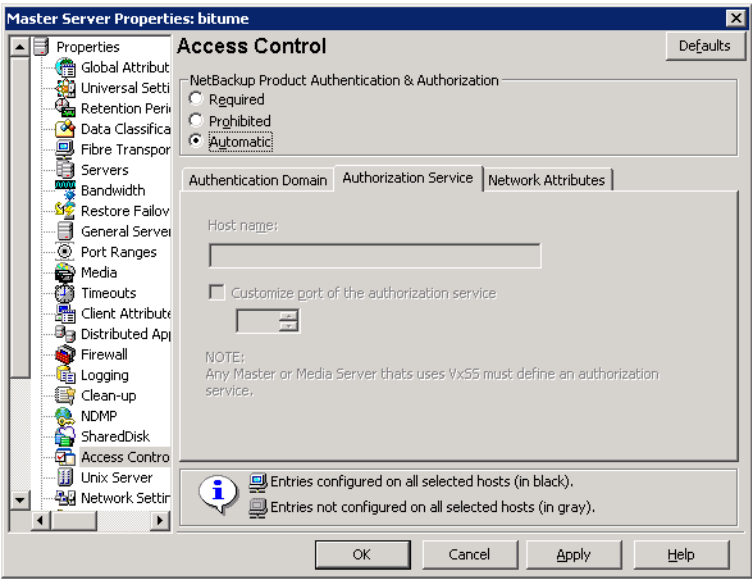
Table 3-4 Authentication Domain tab properties

Property	Description
Available Brokers	Select a broker, then click <b>Find</b> to list all of the available authentication domains.
Available Authentication Domains list	List of available authentication domains.
Add button	Select the authentication domain(s) that this host can use and click <b>Add</b> .
Selected Authentication Domains list	List of the authentication domains selected for the host to use.
Remove button	Select the authentication domain(s) that you no longer want to use and click <b>Remove</b> .

## Authorization Service tab

The **Authorization Service** tab refers to the authorization service that the local NetBackup server uses. The **Authorization Service** tab does not appear as a property for clients.

Figure 3-3 Authorization Service tab



The **Authorization Service** tab contains the following properties, which you can configure for a master or a media server.

Table 3-5 Authorization Service property options

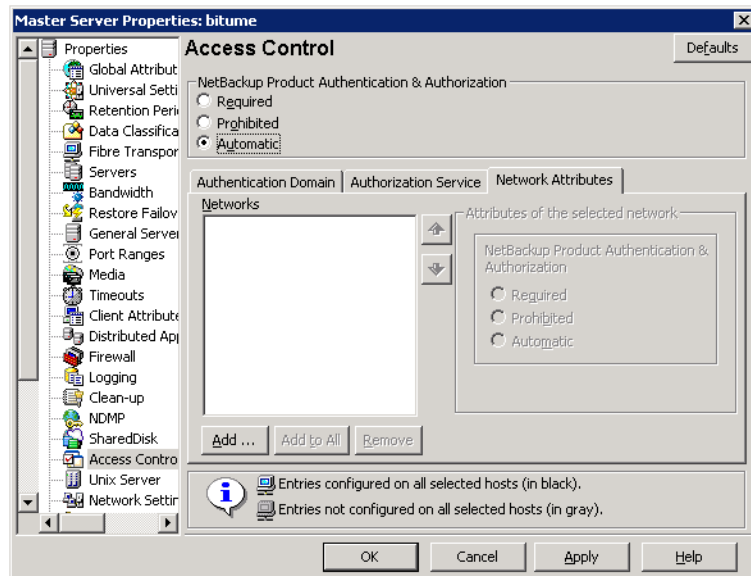
Option	Description
Host name	Specifies the host name or IP address of the authorization service.
Customize the port number of the authorization service	Specifies a nonstandard port number. Select <b>Customize the port number</b> and enter the port number of the authorization service.

**Note:** Define a host to perform authorization if you configure this tab for a media server to use access control.

## Network Attributes tab

The **Network Attributes** tab contains a list of networks that are allowed (or not allowed) to use NetBackup authentication and authorization with the local system.

Figure 3-4 Network Attributes tab



The **Network Attributes** tab on the **Access Control** dialog box contains the following properties:

### Networks

The **Networks** property indicates whether specific networks can or cannot use NetBackup authentication and authorization with the local system. The names on the list are relevant only if the **NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization** property in the **Access Control** dialog box is set to **Automatic** or **Required**.

Symantec recommends setting the master server **NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization** property to **Automatic** until the clients are configured for access control. Then, change the **NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization** property on the master server to **Required**.

If a media server or client does not define a NetBackup Authentication and Authorization network, it uses the networks of its master server.

Click **Add** to add a network to the **Network** list.

Click **Add to All** to add a network to all currently selected hosts in the **Network** list.

Select a network name and click **Remove** to remove a network from the Network list.

**NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization property**

The **NetBackup Product Authentication and Authorization property** in this tab determines whether the selected network uses access control and how the network uses it.

See “[Access Control properties](#)” on page 69.

Add Network dialog box

The **Add Network** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-6 Add Network dialog box properties

Property	Description
Host/ Domain	Indicates whether the network to be added is a <b>Host name</b> or a <b>Domain name</b> .
Host Details	Specifies that if the network is a host, one of the following items must be entered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The host name of the remote system. (host.domain.com)</li><li>■ The IP address of the remote system. (10.0.0.29)</li></ul>
Domain Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Domain Name/IP</b> Enter a dot followed by the Internet domain name of the remote systems. (.domain) or the network of the remote system, followed by a dot. (10.0.0.)</li><li>■ If the domain is specified by IP, select one of the following items:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Bit count</b> Indicates that the mask is based on bit count. Select from between 1 and 32. For example: Mask 192.168.10.10/16 has the same meaning as subnet mask 192.168.20.20:255:255:0.0</li><li>■ <b>Subnet mask</b> Select to enter a subnet mask in the same format as the IP address.</li></ul></li></ul>

**Figure 3-5** Add Network dialog box

**Add Network**

Host/Domain

☒ Host name  
☐ Domain name

Host Details

Host name/IP:

Domain Details

Domain name/IP:

Specify network mask:  
(If domain is specified in terms of IP)

IP Details

☒ Bit count: 0  
☐ Subnet mask:

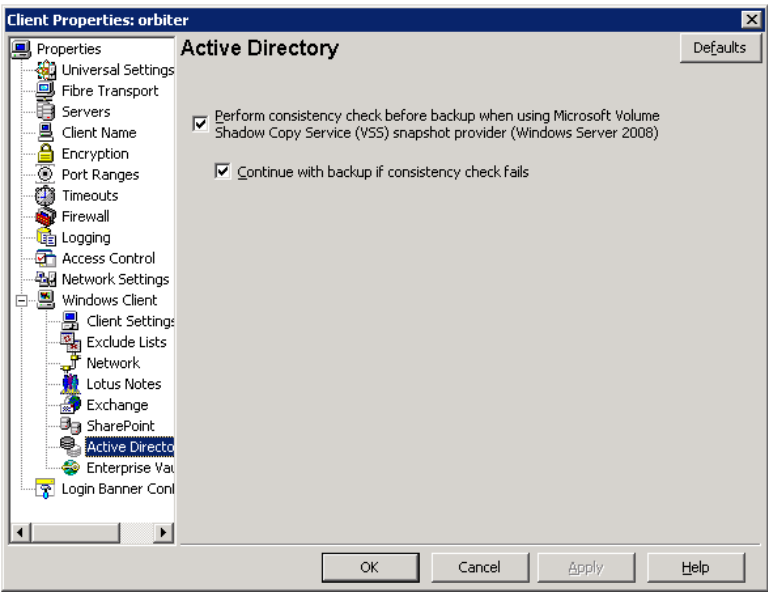
Add Close Help

## Active Directory host properties

The **Active Directory** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** apply to the backup of currently selected Windows Server 2008 clients. The **Active Directory** properties determine how the backups that allow Active Directory granular restores are performed.

See [“Creating a policy that allows Active Directory granular restores”](#) on page 755.

Figure 3-6 Active Directory dialog box



The **Active Directory** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-7 Active Directory dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Perform consistency check before backup when using Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy Service snapshot provider</b>	Checks snapshots for data corruption. Applies only to snapshots that the Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy Services (VSS) performs. If corrupt data is found and this option is not selected, the job fails. See <a href="#">“Windows Open File Backup tab of the Client Attributes properties”</a> on page 96.
<b>Continue with backup if consistency check fails</b>	Continues the backup job even if the consistency check fails. It may be preferable for the job to continue, even if the consistency check fails. For example, a backup of the database in its current state may be better than no backup at all. Or, it may be preferable for the backup of a large database to continue if it encounters only a small problem.

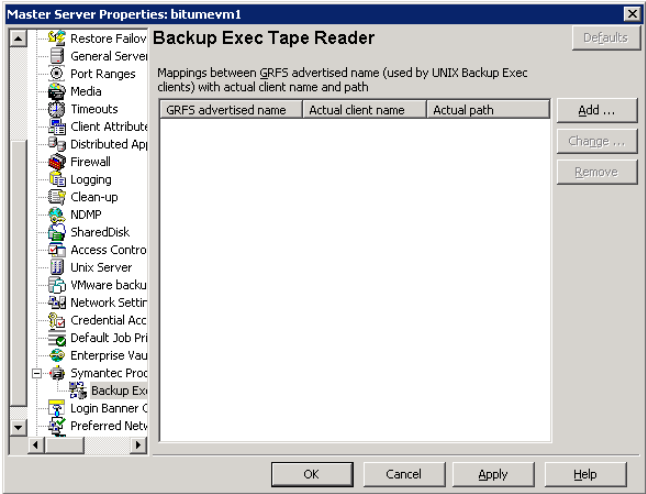


# Backup Exec Tape Reader properties

The **Backup Exec Tape Reader** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** let NetBackup read the media that Backup Exec writes. Media is read by using a two-phase import process. The **Backup Exec Tape Reader** properties apply to currently selected master servers.

**Note:** The **Backup Exec Tape Reader** functionality will not be supported in the next major NetBackup release.

Figure 3-7 Backup Exec Reader dialog box



The **Backup Exec Tape Reader** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-8** Backup Exec Tape Reader dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>GRFS advertised name</b>	<p>Specifies the name that the Backup Exec UNIX agent uses to identify itself to the Backup Exec server. The advertised name may not be the same as the real computer name and path.</p> <p>To set the correct client name and paths in Backup Exec UNIX images .f file paths, map the master server between the GRFS advertised name (generic file system name) and the actual client name and path.</p> <p>The <b>GRFS advertised name</b> uses the following format:</p> <pre>ADVERTISED_HOST_NAME/advertised_path</pre> <p>where <b>ADVERTISED_HOST_NAME</b> is the advertised host name and <b>advertised_path</b> is the advertised path. Enter the <b>ADVERTISED_HOST_NAME</b> in capital letters.</p> <p>A Backup Exec service maps the advertised name to the actual computer name and path, and then backs up the advertised name and path. When NetBackup imports Backup Exec UNIX backups, the mapping service is not present; therefore the names and paths must be indicated.</p> <p>If the host properties do not list any entries, NetBackup assumes that the advertised name is the same as the real computer name. NetBackup assumes that the advertised path is the same as the real path.</p>
<b>Actual client name</b>	<p>Maps the advertised name to the real computer name.</p> <p>If the host properties do not list any entries, NetBackup assumes that the advertised name is the same as the real computer name. NetBackup assumes that the advertised path is the same as the real path.</p>
<b>Actual path</b>	<p>Maps the advertised path to the real path.</p> <p>If the host properties do not list any entries, NetBackup assumes that the advertised name is the same as the real computer name. NetBackup assumes that the advertised path is the same as the real path.</p>
<b>Add</b>	Adds a GRFS entry. In the <b>Backup Exec Tape Reader</b> properties, click <b>Add</b> .
<b>Change</b>	Changes a selected GRFS entry. Select an entry in the <b>Backup Exec Tape Reader</b> properties list and click <b>Change</b> .
<b>Remove</b>	Removes a GRFS entry. Select an entry in the <b>Backup Exec Tape Reader</b> properties list and click <b>Remove</b> .

See [“About importing backup images”](#) on page 860.

# Bandwidth properties

Use the **Bandwidth** properties to specify network bandwidth limits for the NetBackup clients of the selected server.

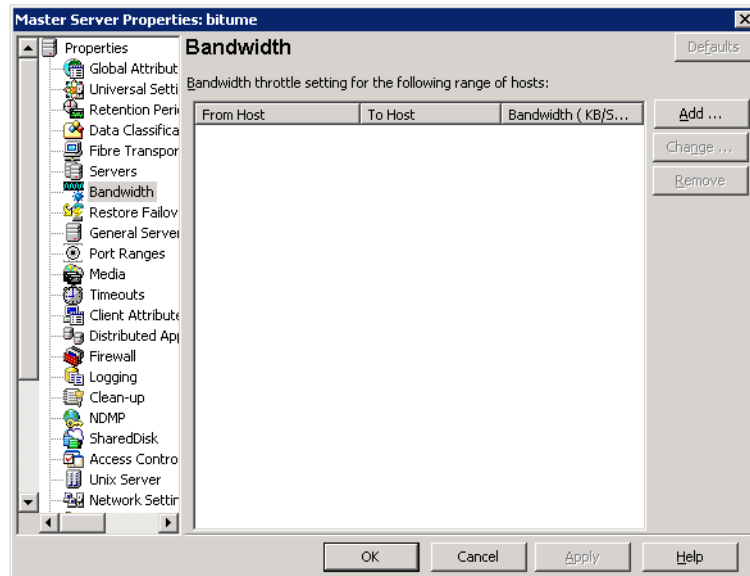
**Note:** The **Bandwidth** properties apply only to IPv4 networks. Use the **Throttle Bandwidth** properties to limit IPv6 networks.

See “[Throttle Bandwidth properties](#)” on page 214.

The actual limiting occurs on the client side of the backup connection. The bandwidth limits only restrict bandwidth during backups. By default, the bandwidth is not limited.

The **Bandwidth** properties apply to currently selected master servers.

**Figure 3-8** Bandwidth dialog box



To manage entries in the **Bandwidth** dialog box, select one of the following buttons.

- |               |   |
|---------------|---|
| <b>Add</b>    | Adds an entry to the bandwidth table for each of the selected clients.    |
| <b>Change</b> | Changes an entry to the bandwidth table for each of the selected clients. |
| <b>Remove</b> | Removes the selected entry from the bandwidth table.                      |

When a backup starts, NetBackup reads the bandwidth limit configuration as configured in the **Bandwidth** host properties. NetBackup then determines the appropriate bandwidth value and passes it to the client. NetBackup computes the bandwidth for each new job based on the number of jobs that are currently running for the IP range. The bandwidth value that is assigned to the job at start time remains the same until the job is completed. NetBackup does not include local backups in its calculations.

The NetBackup client software enforces the bandwidth limit. Before a buffer is written to the network, client software calculates the current value for kilobytes per second and adjusts its transfer rate if necessary.

## Bandwidth limit usage considerations and restrictions

Some usage restrictions apply to the bandwidth limit settings in the **Bandwidth** dialog box. The following table lists the restrictions and describes specific behaviors that you may need to consider.

**Table 3-9** Bandwidth limit usage considerations and restrictions

Client or operation	Bandwidth limit behavior or restrictions
NetBackup for Microsoft SQL-Server clients	Bandwidth limits are not supported
NetBackup for Oracle clients	Bandwidth limits are not supported
NetBackup for DataTools SQL-BackTrack clients	Bandwidth limits are not supported
local backups	If a server is also a client and data does not go over the network, bandwidth limits have no effect on local backups.
Setting required bandwidth	Bandwidth limits restrict maximum network usage and do not imply required bandwidth. For example, if you set the bandwidth limit for a client to 500 kilobytes per second, the client can use up to that limit. It does not mean, however, that the client requires 500 kilobytes per second.
Distributing the workload of active backups	You cannot use bandwidth limits to distribute the backup workload of active backups by having NetBackup pick the most available network segment. NetBackup does not pick the next client to run based on any configured bandwidth limits.

## Add Bandwidth Settings dialog box for Bandwidth properties

The **Add Bandwidth Settings** and the **Change Bandwidth Settings** dialog boxes contain the following properties.

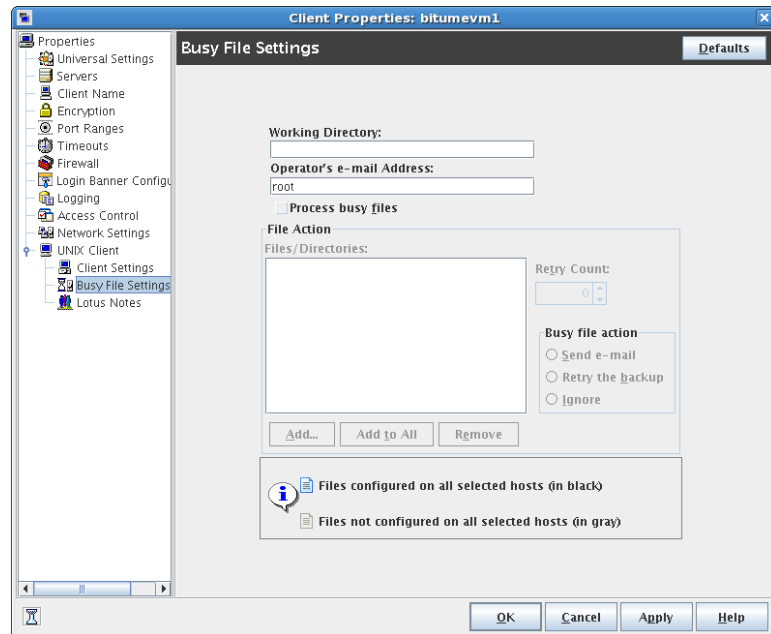
### **Bandwidth (KB/Sec)**

Specifies the bandwidth limitation in kilobytes per second. A value of 0 disables the limits for an individual client or the range of IP addresses covered by the entry. For example, a value of 200 indicates 200 kilobytes per second.

## Busy File Settings properties

The **Busy File Settings** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** apply to currently selected UNIX clients. The **Busy File Settings** properties define what occurs when NetBackup encounters a busy file during a backup of a UNIX client.

**Figure 3-9** Busy File Settings dialog box



The **Busy File Settings** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-10** Busy File Settings dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Working directory</b>	Specifies the path to the busy-files working directory. On a UNIX client, the value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence if it exists. By default, NetBackup creates the <code>busy_files</code> directory in the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup</code> directory.
<b>Operator's email address</b>	Specifies the recipient of the busy-file notification message when the action is set to Send email. By default, the mail recipient is the administrator. On a UNIX client, the value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence if it exists. By default, <code>BUSY_FILE_NOTIFY_USER</code> is not in any <code>bp.conf</code> file and the mail recipient is <code>root</code> .
<b>Process busy files</b>	Enables busy files to be processed according to the host property settings. NetBackup follows the <b>Busy File Settings</b> if it determines that a file is changing during a backup. By default, <b>Process busy files</b> is not enabled and NetBackup does not process the busy files.  Additional information about busy file processing is available in the <i>NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II</i> .
<b>File action file list</b>	Specifies the absolute path and file name of the busy file. The metacharacters <code>*</code> , <code>?</code> , <code>[]</code> , <code>[-]</code> can be used for pattern matching of file names or parts of file names.
<b>Add</b>	Adds a new file entry. Enter the file and path directly, or browse to select a file.
<b>Add to All</b>	Adds a new file entry for all of the clients currently selected. Enter the file and path directly, or browse to select a file.
<b>Remove</b>	Removes the selected file from the file action list.
<b>Busy file action</b>	The following options specify which action to take when busy-file processing is enabled. On a UNIX client, the value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence if it exists. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Send email</b> sends a busy file notification message to the user that is specified in <b>Operator's email address</b>.</li> <li>■ <b>Retry the backup</b> retries the backup on the specified busy file. The Retry count value determines the number of times NetBackup tries a backup.</li> <li>■ <b>Ignore</b> excludes the busy file from busy file processing. The file is backed up, then a log entry that indicates it was busy appears in the <b>All Log Entries</b> report.</li> </ul>
<b>Retry count</b>	Specifies the number of times to try the backup. The default retry count is 1.

## Activating the Busy File Settings in host properties

To activate the settings in the **Busy File Settings** host properties, use the following procedure.

### To activate Busy File Settings

- 1 Copy the `bpend_notify_busy` script:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/goodies/bpend_notify_busy
```

to the path:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bpend_notify
```

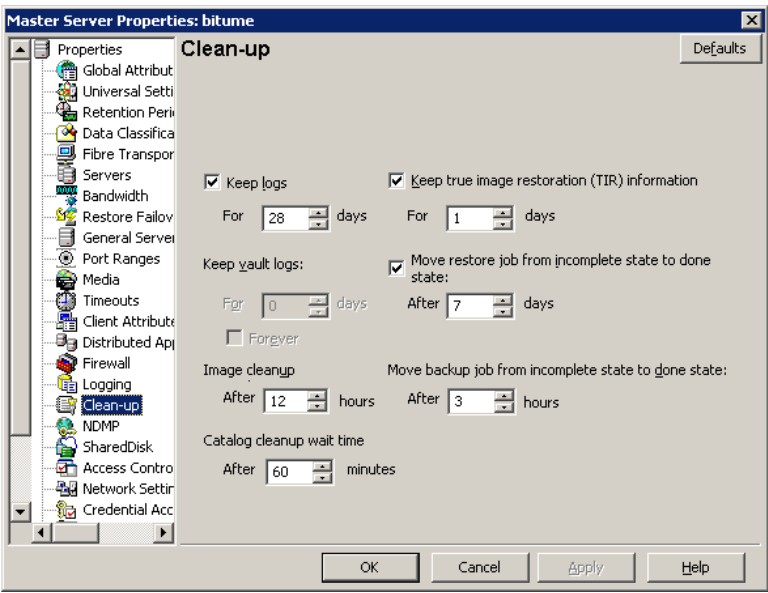
- 2 Set the file access permissions to allow group and others to run `bpend_notify`.
- 3 Configure a policy with a user backup schedule for the busy file backups.

This policy services the backup requests that the repeat option in the actions file generates. The policy name is significant. By default, NetBackup alphabetically searches (uppercase characters first) for the first available policy with a user backup schedule and an open backup window. For example, a policy name of `AAA_busy_files` is selected ahead of `B_policy`.

## Clean-up properties

The **Clean-up** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** refer to the retention of various logs and incomplete jobs. The **Clean-up** properties apply to currently selected master servers.

Figure 3-10      Clean-up dialog box



The **Clean-up** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-11      Clean-up dialog box properties

Property	Description
Keep logs	<p>Specifies how many days you want to keep the logs in case you need the logs to evaluate failures. For example, if you check the backups every day, you can delete the logs sooner than if you check the backups once a month. However, the logs can consume a large amount of disk space, so do not keep the logs any longer than necessary. The default is 28 days.</p> <p>Specifies the length of time, in days, that the master server keeps its error catalog, job catalog, and debug log information. NetBackup derives the Backup Status, Problems, All Log Entries, and Media Log reports from the error catalog. Also limits the time period that these reports can cover. When this time expires, NetBackup also deletes these logs (that exist) on UNIX media servers and UNIX clients.</p>



Table 3-11 Clean-up dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Keep vault logs</b>	<p>If Vault is installed, the <b>Keep vault logs</b> option is enabled. It specifies the amount of time that the Vault session directories are kept.</p> <p>Session directories are found in the following location:</p> <pre>install_path\netbackup\vault\sessions\vaultname\ session_x</pre> <p>where <i>x</i> is the session number. This directory contains vault log files, temporary working files, and report files.</p>
<b>Image cleanup</b>	<p>Specifies the maximum interval that can elapse before an image cleanup is run. Image cleanup is run after every successful backup session (that is, a session in which at least one backup runs successfully). If a backup session exceeds this maximum interval, an image cleanup is initiated.</p>
<b>Catalog cleanup wait time</b>	<p>Specifies the minimum interval that can elapse before an image cleanup is run. Image cleanup is not run after a successful backup session until this minimum interval has elapsed since the previous image cleanup.</p>
<b>Keep true image restoration information</b>	<p>Specifies the number of days to keep true image restore information on disk. After the specified number of days, the images are pruned (removed). Applies to all policies for which NetBackup collects true image restore information. The default is one day.</p> <p>When NetBackup performs a true image backup, it stores the following images on the backup media:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Backed up files</li><li>■ True image restore information</li></ul> <p>NetBackup also stores the true image restore information on disk in the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/images</code> directory. NetBackup retains the information for the number of days that this property specifies.</p> <p>Keeping the information on disk speeds up restores. If a user requests a true image restore after the information was deleted from disk, NetBackup retrieves the required information from the media. The only noticeable difference to the user is a slight increase in total restore time. NetBackup deletes the additional information from disk again after one day.</p>

Table 3-11

Clean-up dialog box properties *(continued)*

Property	Description
Move restore job from incomplete state to done state	<p>Indicates the number of days that a failed restore job can remain in an Incomplete state. After that time, the Activity Monitor shows the job as Done. The default is 7 days. The maximum setting is 365 days. If Checkpoint Restart for restores is used, the Restore retries property allows a failed restore job to be retried automatically.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Universal Settings properties</a>” on page 218.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Checkpoint restart for restore jobs</a>” on page 622.</p>
Move backup job from incomplete state to done state	<p>Indicates the maximum number of hours that a failed backup job can remain in an incomplete state. After that time, the Activity Monitor shows the job as Done. The minimum setting is one hour. The maximum setting is 72 hours. The default is three hours.</p> <p>When an active job has an error, the job goes into an Incomplete state. In the Incomplete state, the administrator can correct the condition that caused the error. If an Incomplete job does not complete successfully and is moved to the Done state, the job retains the error status.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> A resumed job reuses the same job ID, but a restarted job receives a new job ID. The job details indicate that the job was resumed or restarted.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This property does not apply to suspended jobs. Suspended jobs must be resumed manually before the retention period of the job is met and the image expires. If a suspended job is resumed after the retention period is met, the job fails and is moved to the Done state.</p>

## Client Name properties

The **Client name** property in the **NetBackup Administration Console** specifies the NetBackup client name for the selected client. The name must match the name the policy uses to back up the client. The only exception is for a redirected restore, where the name must match that of the client whose files are to be restored. The client name is initially set during installation.

The name that is entered here must also match the client name in the **Client Attributes** dialog box for the master server. If it does not match, the client cannot browse for its own backups.

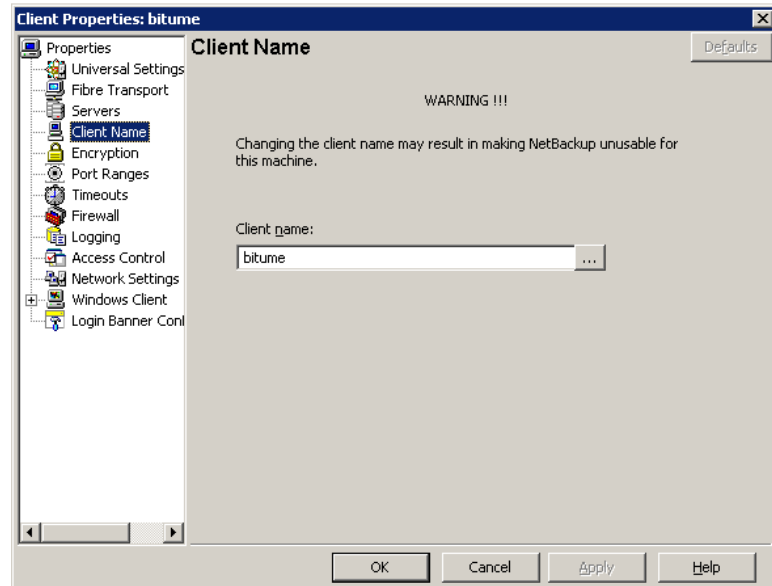
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**Note:** Using an IPv6 address as a client name in a policy can cause backups to fail. Specify a hostname instead of an IPv6 address.

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See “Client Attributes properties” on page 87.

**Figure 3-11** Client Name dialog box



If the value is not specified, NetBackup uses the name that is set in the following locations:

- For a Windows client  
In the Network application from the Control Panel.
- For a UNIX client  
The name that is set by using the `hostname` command.  
The name can also be added to a `$HOME/bp.conf` file on a UNIX client. However, the name is normally added in this manner only for redirected restores. The value in the `$HOME/bp.conf` file takes precedence if it exists.

## Client Attributes properties

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, the **Client Attributes** properties apply to the clients of currently selected master servers.

The **Global client attributes** property applies to all clients, unless overridden as described in the following table.

Table 3-12 Global client attributes group box

Attribute	Description
<b>Allow client browse</b>	Allows all clients to browse files for restoring. This attribute is overridden if the <b>Browse and restore ability</b> option on the <b>General</b> tab is set to <b>Deny both</b> for a particular client(s).
<b>Allow client restore</b>	Allows all clients to restore files. This attribute is overridden if the <b>Browse and restore ability</b> option on the <b>General</b> tab is set to <b>Allow browse only</b> or <b>Deny both</b> .
<b>Clients</b>	<p>Specifies the list of clients in the client database on the currently selected master server(s). A client must be in the client database before you can change the client properties in the <b>Client Attributes</b> dialog box.</p> <p>The client database consists of directories and files in the following directory:</p> <pre>/usr/opensv/NetBackup/db/client</pre> <p>If a client is not listed in the Clients list, click <b>Add</b> to add clients. To remove a client from the Clients list, select the client, then click <b>Remove</b>.</p> <p>If a client is not listed in the Clients list, click <b>Add</b> to display the <b>Add Client</b> dialog box and add a client to the client database. Type a client name in the text box.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Add Client dialog box”</a> on page 89.</p> <p>You also can create, update, list, and delete client entries by using the <code>bpclient</code> command that is located in the following directory:</p> <pre>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd</pre> <p>The name that is entered here must match the <b>Client Name</b> property for the specific client. If it does not, the client cannot browse its own backups.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Client Name properties”</a> on page 86.</p> <p>Use the <code>bpclient</code> command to add clients to the client database if dynamic addressing (DHCP) is in use.</p> <p>Additional information about dynamic host names and IP addressing is available in the <i>NetBackup Administrator’s Guide, Volume II</i>.</p>
<b>General tab</b>	<p>Specifies how to configure the selected Windows master servers (clients).</p> <p>See <a href="#">“General tab of the Client Attributes properties”</a> on page 89.</p>
<b>Connect Options tab</b>	<p>Specifies how to configure the connection between a NetBackup server and a NetBackup client.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Connect Options tab of the Client Attributes properties”</a> on page 94.</p>

Table 3-12Global client attributes group box (continued)

Attribute	Description
Windows Open File Backup tab	<p>Specifies whether a client uses Windows Open File Backup. Also, specifies whether <b>Volume Snapshot Provider</b> or <b>Volume Shadow Copy Service</b> is used as the snapshot provider.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Windows Open File Backup tab of the Client Attributes properties</a>” on page 96.</p>

### Add Client dialog box

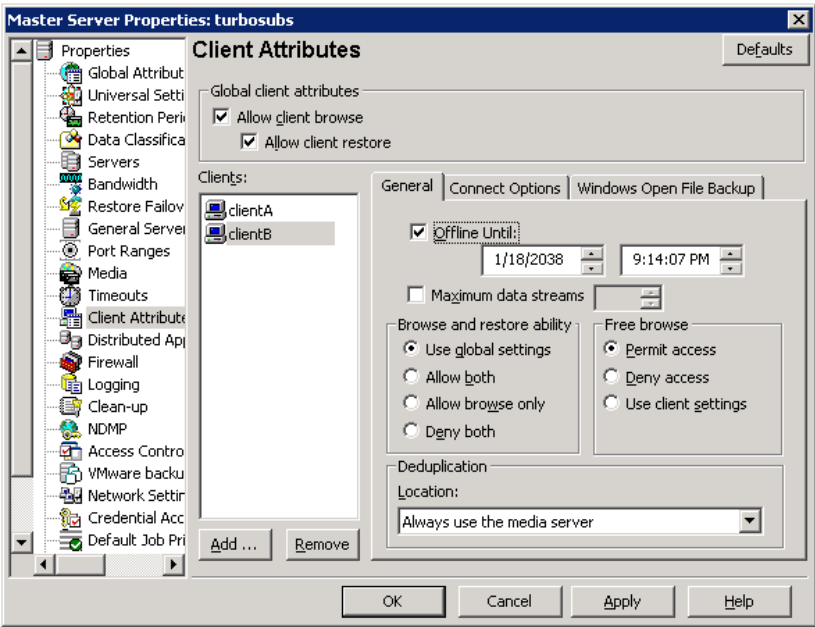
To add a client to the database, enter the name of a client, or browse to find a client. The **Add Client** dialog box contains the following properties.

Enter client name	Specifies the name of the client to be added to the database. Type the name of the client to add.
... (browse)	Finds the list of current clients and displays them in the <b>Browse for computer</b> window. Select the client to add to the database and click <b>Add</b> .
Add	Adds the specified client to the client database (client name displays in the <b>Clients</b> window).
Close	Closes the <b>Add Client</b> dialog box.
Help	Displays more information about how to add a client.

### General tab of the Client Attributes properties

The properties on the **General** tab apply to selected Windows master servers. The tab appears on the **Client Attributes** dialog box.

Figure 3-12 General tab of Client Attributes dialog box



The **General** tab contains the following properties.

Table 3-13                      General tab properties

Property	Description
Offline Until:	<p>Makes the specified clients in the <b>General</b> tab unavailable for backups. By default, clients are online and included in the policies in which they are listed.</p> <p>When <b>Offline Until:</b> is selected for a client, no jobs are scheduled for that client. Since the client is not part of any job, no backup status will be listed for the client.</p> <p>After enabling the <b>Offline Until:</b> option, indicate the date and time when the clients are to be online again. The default setting is infinity, or approximately January 18, 2038, depending on the locale setting.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Retention Periods with end dates beyond 2038, excluding Infinity”</a> on page 206.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Changes to this property do not appear in the audit report.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About NetBackup auditing”</a> on page 933.</p> <p>The ability to take clients offline is useful in a number of situations.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Offline option usage considerations and restrictions”</a> on page 92.</p>
Maximum data streams	<p>Specifies the maximum number of jobs that are allowed at one time for each selected client. (This value applies to the number of jobs on the client, even if multistreaming is not used.)</p> <p>To change the setting, select <b>Maximum data streams</b>. Then scroll to or enter a value up to 99.</p> <p>The <b>Maximum data streams</b> property interacts with <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> and <b>Limit jobs per policy</b> as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If the <b>Maximum data streams</b> property is not set, the limit is either the one indicated by the <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> property or the <b>Limit jobs per policy</b> property, whichever is lower.</li> <li>■ If the <b>Maximum data streams</b> property is set, NetBackup ignores the <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> property. NetBackup uses either <b>Maximum data streams</b> or <b>Limit jobs per policy</b>, whichever is lower.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“Global Attributes properties”</a> on page 145.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Limit jobs per policy (policy attribute)”</a> on page 624.</p>

Table 3-13                      General tab properties (continued)

Property	Description
Browse and restore ability	<p>Specifies the client permissions to list and restore backups and archives. Select the client(s) in the <b>General</b> tab of the <b>Client Attributes</b> dialog box and choose a <b>Browse and restore ability</b> property.</p> <p>To use the <b>Global client attributes</b> settings, select <b>Use global settings</b>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ To allow users on the selected clients to both browse and restore, select <b>Allow both</b>.</li><li>■ To allow users on the selected clients to browse but not restore, select <b>Allow browse only</b>.</li><li>■ To prevent users on the selected clients from the ability to browse or restore, select <b>Deny both</b>.</li></ul>
Free browse	<p>This property applies to the privileges that are allowed to a non-root user who is logged into the client.</p> <p>Specifies whether the clients can list and restore from scheduled backups. (This setting does not affect user backups and archives.)</p> <p>Root users can list and restore from scheduled backups as well as user backups regardless of the <b>Free browse</b> setting.</p>
Deduplication	<p>Specifies the deduplication action for clients if you use one of the following NetBackup deduplication options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ NetBackup Deduplication Option</li><li>■ PureDisk Deduplication Option</li></ul> <p>For a description of the client direct deduplication options and their actions: See <a href="#">“Where deduplication should occur”</a> on page 93.</p>

Offline option usage considerations and restrictions

The ability to take clients offline is useful in a number of situations. For example, in the event of planned outages or maintenance, client systems can be taken offline to avoid the unnecessary errors that administrators would then need to investigate. This option can also be used to anticipate new clients in the system; listing them in policies but configuring them as offline until they are in place and ready to be used.

The following actions can be performed if a client is offline.



**Table 3-14** Offline option actions

Type of job or operation	Action or restriction
A client is offline and the job is already in progress	Offline clients continue to be included in any job.
A client is offline and job retries were started before the client was taken offline	Job retries continue as normal.
Any duplication job that is associated with a storage lifecycle policy and an offline client	Continues to run until complete.
LiveUpdate jobs for offline clients	Continues to run until complete.
Restore jobs	Can be run for offline clients.
The user attempts a manual backup for an offline client	The backup fails with a status code 1000, <code>Client is offline</code> . The user can either wait until the client is brought online again or bring the client online manually. Use either the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> or the <code>bpclient</code> command to do so before resubmitting the manual job.
Archive backups	Not allowed for offline clients.
Administrators restarting or resuming jobs	Not allowed for offline clients.

**Caution:** If the master server is offline, hot catalog backups cannot run.

## Where deduplication should occur

The **Deduplication** property specifies the deduplication action for clients if you use either the NetBackup Deduplication Option or the PureDisk Deduplication Option. The following table describes the client direct deduplication options.

**Table 3-15** Client direct deduplication options

Option	Description
<b>Always use the media server</b> (the default)	<p>Always deduplicates the data on the media server. The default. Jobs fail if one of the following are true:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The NetBackup Deduplication Engine on the deduplication storage server is inactive.</li> <li>■ The PureDisk storage pool is inactive.</li> </ul>

Table 3-15 Client direct deduplication options (continued)

Option	Description
<b>Prefer to use client-side deduplication</b>	Deduplicates data on the client and then send it directly to the storage server.  NetBackup first determines if the client direct library on the storage server is active. If it is active, the client deduplicates the backup data and sends it directly to the storage server, bypassing media server processing. If it is not active, the client sends the backup data to a deduplication media server. The deduplication media server deduplicates the data.
<b>Always use client-side deduplication</b>	Always deduplicates the backup data on the client and then send it directly to the storage server.  If a job fails, NetBackup does not retry the job.

You can override the **Prefer to use client-side deduplication** or **Always use client-side deduplication** host property in the backup policies.

See “[Disable client-side deduplication \(policy attribute\)](#)” on page 644.

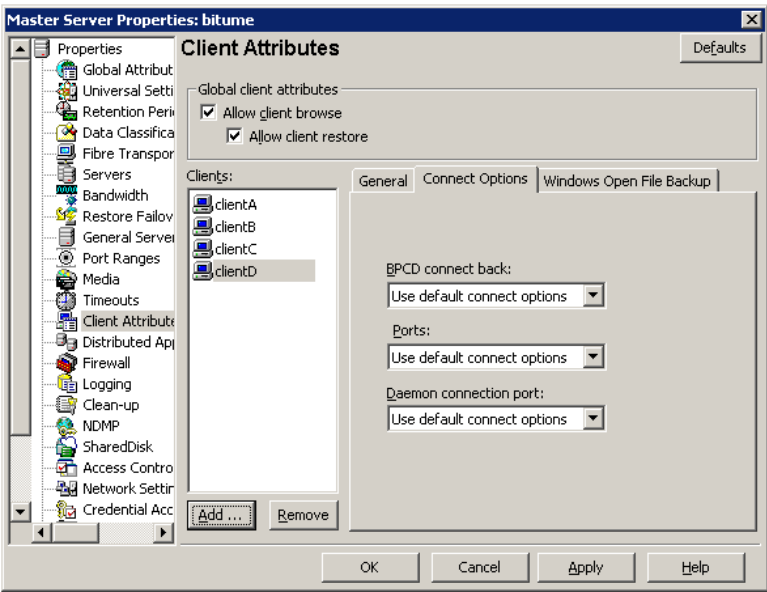
More information about client deduplication is available.

See the *NetBackup Deduplication Guide*.

## Connect Options tab of the Client Attributes properties

The properties in the **Connect Options** tab describe how a NetBackup server connects to NetBackup client tabs. The tab appears on the **Client Attributes** dialog box.

Figure 3-13 Connect Options tab of Client Attributes dialog box



The **Connect Options** tab contains the following options.

Table 3-16 Connect Options tab properties

Property	Description
BPCD connect back	<p>Specifies how daemons are to connect back to the NetBackup Client daemon (BPCD) and contains the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Use default connect options</b> Uses the value that is defined in the Firewall host properties of the client's NetBackup server. See <a href="#">"Firewall properties"</a> on page 138.</li><li>■ <b>Random port</b> NetBackup randomly chooses a free port in the allowed range to perform the legacy connect-back method.</li><li>■ <b>VNETD port</b> NetBackup uses the <code>vnetd</code> port number for the connect-back method.</li></ul>

Table 3-16 Connect Options tab properties (continued)

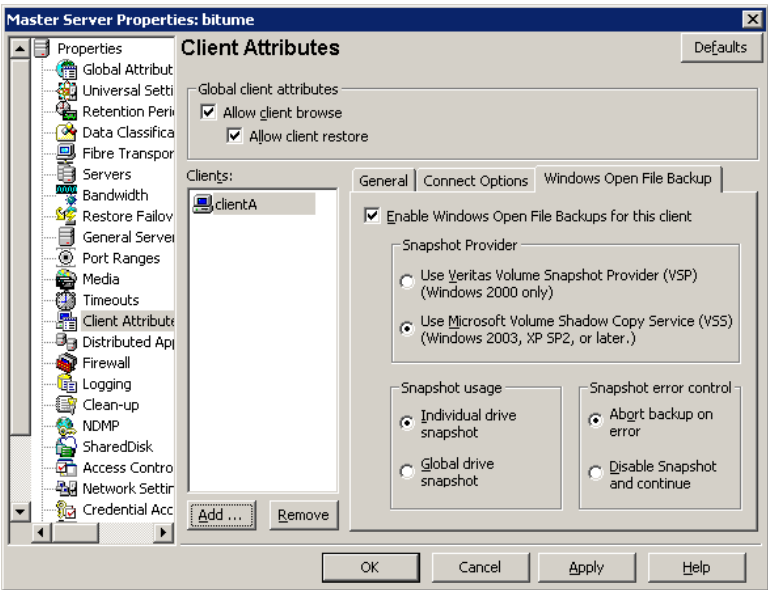
Property	Description
Ports	<p>Specifies the method that the selected clients should use to connect to the server and contains the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Use default connect options</b> Uses the value that is defined in the Firewall host properties of the client's NetBackup server. See <a href="#">“Firewall properties”</a> on page 138.</li><li>■ <b>Reserved port</b> Uses a reserved port number.</li><li>■ <b>Non-reserved port</b> Uses a non-reserved port number.</li></ul>
Daemon connection port	<p>Specifies the method that the selected clients should use to connect to the server and contains the following options.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Use default connect options</b> Uses the value that is defined in the Firewall host properties of the client's NetBackup server.</li><li>■ <b>Automatic</b> Connects to the daemons on the server using <code>vnetd</code> if possible. If the daemons cannot use <code>vnetd</code>, the connection is made by using the daemon's legacy port number.</li><li>■ <b>VNETD only</b> Connects to the daemons on the server by using only <code>vnetd</code>. If the firewall rules prevent a server connection using the legacy port number, check this option. When selected, the <b>BPCD connect back</b> setting is not applicable. In addition, the <b>Ports</b> setting uses <b>Non-reserved port</b>, regardless of the value selected.</li><li>■ <b>Daemon port only</b> Connects to the daemons on the server by using only the legacy port number. This option only affects connections to NetBackup 7.0 and earlier. For connections to NetBackup 7.0.1 and later, the <code>veritas_pbx</code> port is used.</li><li>■ See <a href="#">“Resilient Network properties”</a> on page 194.</li></ul>

## Windows Open File Backup tab of the Client Attributes properties

The **Windows Open File Backup** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** specify whether a client uses Windows Open File Backup. The properties also specify whether **Volume Snapshot Provider** or **Volume Shadow Copy Service** is used as the snapshot provider.

Snapshots are a point-in-time view of a source volume. NetBackup uses snapshots to access busy or active files during a backup job. Without a snapshot provider, active files are not accessible for backup.

Figure 3-14 Windows Open File Backup tab of Client Attributes dialog box



The **Windows Open File Backup** tab contains the following options.

Table 3-17 Windows Open File Backup tab properties

Property	Description
Add	<p>Adds the NetBackup clients only if you want to change the default settings on the <b>Windows Open File Backup</b> tab.</p> <p>By default, no clients are listed in the <b>Client Attributes</b> dialog box. The server uses the following Windows Open File Backup defaults for all Windows clients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Windows Open File Backup is enabled on the client.</li><li>■ Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy Service (VSS) is used for NetBackup 7.0 clients. See <a href="#">“Back-level and upgraded clients that use Windows Open File Backup”</a> on page 100.</li><li>■ Snapshots are taken of individual drives (<b>Individual drive snapshot</b>) as opposed to all drives at once (<b>Global drive snapshot</b>).</li><li>■ Upon error, the snapshot is terminated (<b>Abort backup on error</b>).</li></ul>
Remove	<p>Deletes a client from the list by selecting the client and then clicking <b>Delete</b>.</p>

**Table 3-17** Windows Open File Backup tab properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Enable Windows Open File Backups</b>	<p>Specifies that Windows Open File Backups be used for the selected clients. Adds the clients to the list only if you want to change the default property settings.</p> <p>For Microsoft Distributed File System Replication (DFS) servers, select <b>Enable Windows Open File Backups</b>. The <b>Snapshot Provider</b> must be <b>Volume Shadow Copy Service</b>.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">About Microsoft DFS backups</a>” on page 603.</p> <p>This option functions independently from the <b>Perform Snapshot backups</b> policy option that is available when the Snapshot Client is licensed.</p> <p>If a client is included in a policy that has the <b>Perform Snapshot backups</b> policy option disabled and you do not want snapshots, the <b>Enable Windows Open File Backups</b> for this client property must be disabled as well for the client. If both options are not disabled, a snapshot is created, though that may not be the intention of the administrator.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>NetBackup Snapshot Client Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>
<b>Snapshot Provider</b>	<p>Selects the snapshot provider for the selected clients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Use Veritas Volume Snapshot Provider (VSP)</b> This option specifies that <b>Veritas VSP</b> be used as the snapshot provider. VSP is required for Windows 2000 clients and can also be used on 6.x Windows 2003 clients.</li> <li>■ <b>Use Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy Service (VSS)</b> This option specifies that <b>Microsoft VSS</b> be used to create volume snapshots of volumes and logical drives for the selected clients. In 7.0, <b>Microsoft VSS</b> should be selected for all Windows clients, as VSP is not available. VSS is available for all supported Windows clients, XP SP2 and later. Configure VSS through the Microsoft VSS configuration dialog boxes. For information about how to do Active Directory granular restores when using VSS, see the following topic: See “<a href="#">Active Directory host properties</a>” on page 75. For Microsoft Distributed File System Replication (DFS) servers, select <b>Use Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy Service (VSS)</b>. See “<a href="#">About Microsoft DFS backups</a>” on page 603.</li> </ul>

Table 3-17

Windows Open File Backup tab properties *(continued)*

Property	Description
Snapshot usage	<div>Selects how snapshots are made for the selected clients:</div> <div> <div> <div>■ Individual drive snapshot</div> <div>Specifies that the snapshot should be of an individual drive (default). When this property is enabled, snapshot creation and file backup are done sequentially on a per volume basis. For example, assume that drives C and D are to be backed up.</div> <div>If the <b>Individual drive snapshot</b> property is selected, NetBackup takes a snapshot of drive C, backs it up, and discards the snapshot. It then takes a snapshot of drive D, backs it up, and discards the snapshot.</div> <div>Volume snapshots are enabled on only one drive at a time, depending on which drive is to be backed up. This mode is useful when relationships do not have to be maintained between files on the different drives.</div> <div>Use this configuration if snapshot creation fails when all volumes for the backup are snapshot at once when the <b>Global drive snapshot</b> property is enabled. Individual drive snapshot is enabled by default for all non-multistreamed backups by using the Windows Open File Backup option.</div> </div> <div> <div>■ Global drive snapshot</div> <div>Specifies that the snapshot is of a global drive. All the volumes that require snapshots for the backup job (or stream group for multistreamed backups) are taken at one time. For example, assume that drives C and D are to be backed up.</div> <div>In this situation, NetBackup takes a snapshot of C and D. Then NetBackup backs up C and backs up D.</div> <div>NetBackup then discards the C and D snapshots.</div> <div>This property maintains file consistency between files in different volumes. The backup uses the same snapshot that is taken at a point in time for all volumes in the backup.</div> <div><b>Note:</b> The <b>Individual drive snapshot</b> property and the <b>Global drive snapshot</b> property only apply to non-multistreamed backups that use Windows Open File Backup. All multistreamed backup jobs share the same volumes snapshots for the volumes in the multistreamed policy. The volume snapshots are taken in a global fashion.</div> </div> </div>

Table 3-17 Windows Open File Backup tab properties (continued)

Property	Description
Snapshot error control	<p>Selects the processing instructions that NetBackup should follow if it encounters an error during processing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Abort backup on error</b> Specifies that a backup aborts if it fails for a snapshot-related issue after the snapshot is created and while the backup uses the snapshot to back up open or active files on the file system.  The most common reason for a problem after the snapshot is created and is in use by a backup, is that the cache storage is full. If the <b>Abort backup on error</b> property is checked (default), the backup job aborts with a snapshot error status if the backup detects a snapshot issue.  This property does not apply to successful snapshot creation. The backup job continues regardless of whether a snapshot was successfully created for the backup job. The <b>Abort backup on error</b> property applies only to the snapshot errors that occur after the snapshot is successfully created and is in use by a backup job.</li><li>■ <b>Disable snapshot and continue</b> Specifies that if the snapshot becomes invalid during a backup, the volume snapshots for the backup are destroyed. The backup continues with Windows open file backups disabled.  Regarding the file that had a problem during a backup—it may be that the file was not backed up by the backup job. The file may not be able to be restored.  <b>Note:</b> Volume snapshots typically become invalid during the course of a backup because insufficient cache storage was allocated for the volume snapshot. Reconfigure the cache storage configuration of the Windows Open File Backup snapshot provider to a configuration that best suits your client's installation.</li></ul>

Back-level and upgraded clients that use Windows Open File Backup

The following table shows the expected Open File Backup behavior based on the client version and the **Snapshot Provider** setting.

Table 3-18 Snapshot Provider behavior for clients in a 7.x environment

Client version	Snapshot Provider setting	Behavior
6.x	Veritas VSP (6.5 default setting)	Veritas VSP is used for Open File Backup.
6.x	Veritas VSP	Veritas VSP is used for Open File Backup.
6.x	Windows VSS	Windows VSS is used for Open File Backup.



**Table 3-18** Snapshot Provider behavior for clients in a 7.x environment  
(continued)

Client version	Snapshot Provider setting	Behavior
7.x	Windows VSS (7.0 default setting)	Using VSS for Open File Backup is a new default behavior in 7.x.
7.x	Veritas VSP	<p>Even if Veritas VSP is indicated, Windows VSS is used for Open File Backup.</p> <p>For upgraded clients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ For 6.x clients that used VSP and have been upgraded to 7.0: VSP settings are ignored and VSS snapshots are automatically implemented.</li> <li>■ For 6.x VSS users: You no longer need to create a Client Attribute entry to enable VSS. VSS is the only snapshot provider available to the NetBackup 7.0 Windows client.</li> </ul>
7.x	Windows VSS	Windows VSS is used for Open File Backup.

## Client Settings properties for NetWare clients

The Client Settings properties apply to currently selected NetWare clients.

The **Client Settings** properties dialog box for NetWare clients includes the following options.

**Table 3-19** NetWare Client Settings properties

Option	Description
Back up migrated files	Specifies that the files in secondary storage be moved back to primary storage and backed up. If the property is not selected, only the metadata for the file is backed up and the file is not moved back to primary storage. The metadata is the information still in the primary storage that marks where the file would be. Metadata includes any information that is needed to retrieve the file from secondary storage.
Uncompress files before backing up	The property specifies that compressed files are uncompressed before backing up. Uncompression is useful if the file is restored to a version of NetWare that does not support compression. If the option is not selected (default), the file is backed up in its compressed state.

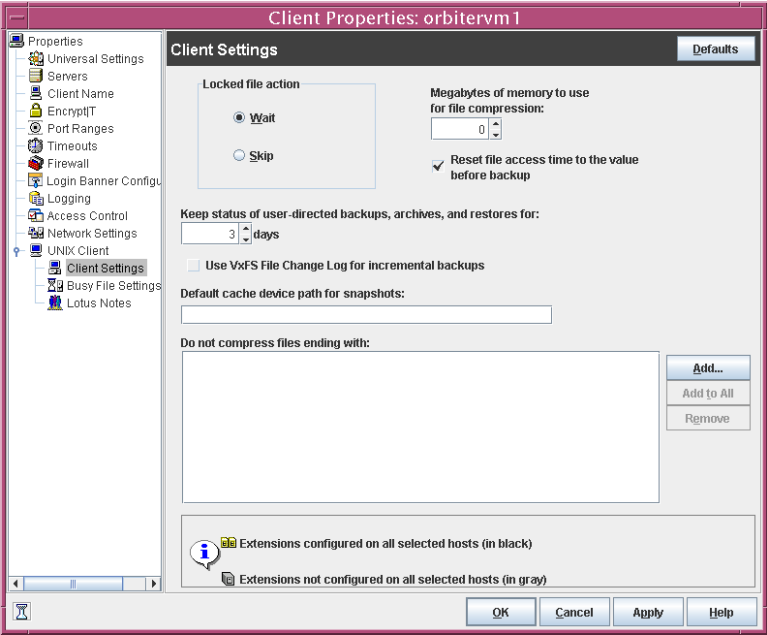
Table 3-19 NetWare Client Settings properties (continued)

Option	Description
Keep status of user-directed backups, archives, and restores	Specifies how long the system keeps progress reports before it automatically deletes the reports. The default is three days.

## Client Settings (UNIX) properties

The UNIX **Client Settings** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** apply to currently selected UNIX clients.

Figure 3-15 Client Settings (UNIX) dialog box



The UNIX **Client Settings** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-20 UNIX Client Settings dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Locked file action</b>	<p>Determines what happens when NetBackup tries to back up a file with mandatory file locking enabled in its file mode.</p> <p>Select one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Wait</b> By default, NetBackup waits for files to become unlocked. If the wait exceeds the <b>Client read timeout</b> host property that is configured on the master server, the backup fails with a status 41. See <a href="#">“Timeouts properties”</a> on page 216.</li> <li>■ <b>Skip</b> NetBackup skips the files that currently have mandatory locking set by another process. A message is logged if it was necessary to skip a file.</li> </ul>
<b>Keep status of user-directed backups, archives, and restores</b>	<p>Specifies the number of days to keep progress reports before the reports are deleted. The default is three days. The minimum is 0. The maximum is 9,999 days.</p> <p>Logs for user-directed operations are stored on the client system in the following directory:</p> <pre>install_path\NetBackup\logs\user_ops\ loginID\logs</pre>
<b>Reset file access time</b>	<p>Specifies that the access time (<code>atime</code>) time for a file displays the backup time. By default, NetBackup preserves the access time by resetting it to the value it had before the backup.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This setting affects the software and the administration scripts that examine a file’s access time.</p>
<b>Megabytes of memory to use for file compression</b>	<p>Specifies the amount of memory available on the client when files are compressed during backup. If you select compression, the client software uses this value to determine how much space to request for the compression tables. The more memory that is available to compress code, the greater the compression and the greater the percentage of machine resources that are used. If other processes also need memory, use a maximum value of half the actual physical memory on a machine to avoid excessive swapping.</p> <p>The default is 0. This default is reasonable; change it only if problems are encountered.</p>
<b>Use VxFS file change log for incremental backups</b>	<p>Determines if NetBackup uses the File Change Log on VxFS clients.</p> <p>The default is off.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“VxFS file change log for incremental backups property”</a> on page 104.</p>

Table 3-20 UNIX Client Settings dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Default cache device path for snapshots	For additional information, see the <i>NetBackup Snapshot Client Administrator's Guide</i> .
Do not compress files ending with list	<p>Corresponds to adding a <code>COMPRESS_SUFFIX =.suffix</code> option to the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>Specifies a list of file extensions. During a backup, NetBackup does not compress files with these extensions because the file may already be in a compressed format.</p> <p>Do not use wildcards to specify these extensions. For example, <code>.A1</code> is allowed, but not <code>.A*</code> or <code>.A[1-9]</code></p> <p>Files that are already compressed become slightly larger if compressed again. If compressed files with a unique file extension already exist on a UNIX client, exclude it from compression by adding it to this list.</p>
Add	Adds file endings to the list of file endings that you do not want to compress. Click <b>Add</b> , then type the file extension in the <b>File Endings</b> dialog box. Use commas or spaces to separate file endings if more than one is added. Click <b>Add</b> to add the ending to the list, then click <b>Close</b> to close the dialog box.
Add to All	Adds a file extension that you do not want to compress, to the lists of all clients. To add the file extension to the lists of all clients, select it in the list on the <b>Client Settings</b> host property, then click <b>Add to All</b> .
Remove	Removes a file extension from the list. To remove a name, either type it in the box or click the browse button (...) and select a file ending. Use commas or spaces to separate names.

## VxFS file change log for incremental backups property

The **Use VxFS file change log for incremental backups** property is supported on all platforms and versions where VxFS file systems support FCL.

The following VxFS file systems support FCL:

- Solaris SPARC platform running VxFS 4.1 or greater
- AIX running VxFS 5.0 or greater.
- HP 11.23 running VxFS 5.0 or greater.
- Linux running VxFS 4.1 or greater

The File Change Log (FCL) tracks changes to files and directories in a file system. Changes can include files created, links and unlinks, files renamed, data that is

appended, data that is overwritten, data that is truncated, extended attribute modifications, holes punched, and file property updates.

NetBackup can use the FCL to determine which files to select for incremental backups, which can potentially save unnecessary file system processing time. The FCL information that is stored on each client includes the backup type, the FCL offset, and the timestamp for each backup.

The advantages of this property depend largely on the number of file system changes relative to the file system size. The performance impact of incremental backups ranges from many times faster or slower, depending on file system size and use patterns.

For example, enable this property for a client on a very large file system that experiences relatively few changes. The incremental backups for the client may complete sooner since the policy needs to read only the FCL to determine what needs to be backed up on the client.

If a file experiences many changes or multiple changes to many files, the time saving benefit may not be as great.

See [“Backup Selections tab”](#) on page 711.

The following items must be in place for the **Use VxFS file change log for incremental backups** property to work:

- Enable the **Use VxFS file change log for incremental backups** property for every client that wants NetBackup to take advantage of the FCL.
- Enable the FCL on the VxFS client.  
See the *Veritas File System Administrator's Guide* for information about how to enable the FCL on the VxFS client.
- Enable the **Use VxFS file change log for incremental backups** property on the client(s) in time for the first full backup. Subsequent incremental backups need this full backup to stay synchronized.
- Specify the VxFS mount point in the policy backup selections list in some manner:
  - By specifying ALL\_LOCAL\_DRIVES.
  - By specifying the actual VxFS mount point.
  - By specifying a directory at a higher level than the VxFS mount point, provided that **Cross mount points** is enabled.  
See [“Cross mount points \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 630.

If the policy has **Collect true image restore information** or **Collect true image restore information with move detection** enabled, it ignores the **Use VxFS file change log for incremental backups** property on the client.

The following table describes additional options that are available on the VxFS file change log feature.

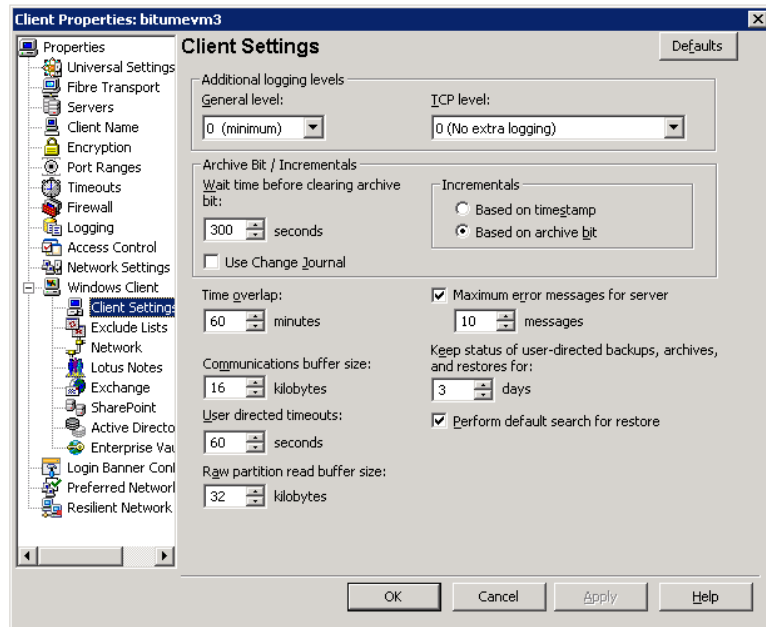
**Table 3-21** VxFS file change log feature options

Option	Description
Activity Monitor messages	<p>Displays any messages that note when the file change log is used during a backup as follows:</p> <p>Using VxFS File Change Log for backup of <i>pathname</i></p> <p>Also notes when full and incremental backups are not synchronized.</p>
Keeping the data files synchronized with the FCL	<p>The data files must be in sync with the FCL for this property to work. To keep the data files synchronized with the FCL, do not turn the FCL on the VxFS client off and on.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If NetBackup encounters any errors as it processes the FCL, it switches to the normal files system scan. If this switch occurs, it appears in the Activity Monitor.</p>
VxFS administration	<p>Additional VxFS commands are available to administrate the FCL in the <i>Veritas File System Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>

## Client Settings properties for Windows clients

The Windows **Client Settings** properties apply to currently selected Windows clients.

Figure 3-16 Windows Client Settings dialog box



The **Client Settings** dialog box for Windows clients contains the following properties.

Table 3-22 Windows Client Settings properties

Property	Description
<b>General level</b>	Enables logs for bpinetd, bpbkar, tar, and nbwin. The higher the level, the more information is written. The default is 0.
<b>TCP level</b>	<p>Enables logs for TCP.</p> <p>Scroll to one of the following available log levels:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>0 No extra logging (default)</b></li> <li>■ <b>1 Log basic TCP/IP functions</b></li> <li>■ <b>2 Log all TCP/IP functions, including all read and write requests</b></li> <li>■ <b>3 Log contents of each read or write buffer</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Setting the TCP level to 2 or 3 can cause the status reports to be very large. It can also slow a backup or restore operation.</p>

Table 3-22 Windows Client Settings properties (continued)

Property	Description
Wait time before clearing archive bit	<p>Specifies how long the client waits before the archive bits for a differential incremental backup are cleared. The minimum allowable value is 300 (default). The client waits for acknowledgment from the server that the backup was successful. If the server does not reply within this time period, the archive bits are not cleared.</p> <p>This option applies only to differential-incremental backups. Cumulative-incremental backups do not clear the archive bit.</p>
Use change journal	<p><b>Note:</b> The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option applies to Windows clients only.</p> <p>The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option allows the accelerator to identify data changes on Windows clients at a faster rate. With this option, the accelerator identifies changes by means of the client's NTFS change journal. When this option is not enabled, the accelerator must read through the client's file system to locate changed data.</p> <p>This option works together with the <b>Use accelerator</b> policy attribute and the <b>Accelerator forced rescan</b> schedule attribute.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Use accelerator (policy attribute)”</a> on page 645.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Accelerator forced rescan (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 670.</p>
Incrementals based on timestamp	<p>Specifies that files are selected for the backups that are based on the date that the file was last modified. When <b>Use change journal</b> is selected, <b>Incrementals based on timestamp</b> is automatically selected.</p>



**Table 3-22** Windows Client Settings properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Incrementals based on archive bit</b>	<p>Specifies that NetBackup include files in an incremental backup only if the archive bit of the file is set. The system sets this bit whenever a file is changed and it normally remains set until NetBackup clears it.</p> <p>A full backup always clears the archive bit. A differential-incremental backup clears the archive bit if the file is successfully backed up. The differential-incremental backup must occur within the number of seconds that the <b>Wait time before clearing archive bit</b> property indicates. A cumulative-incremental or user backup has no effect on the archive bit.</p> <p>Disable this property to include a file in an incremental backup only if the date and time stamp for the file has changed since the last backup. For a differential-incremental backup, NetBackup compares the date/time stamp to the last full or incremental backup. For a cumulative-incremental backup, NetBackup compares the timestamp to the last full backup.</p> <p>If you install or copy files from another computer, the new files retain the date timestamp of the originals. If the original date is before the last backup date on this computer, then the new files are not backed up until the next full backup.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Symantec recommends that you do not combine differential incremental backups and cumulative incremental backups within the same Windows policy when the incremental backups are based on archive bit.</p>
<b>Time overlap</b>	<p>Specifies the number of minutes to add to the date range for incremental backups when you use date-based backups. This value compensates for differences in the speed of the clock between the NetBackup client and server. The default is 60 minutes.</p> <p>This value is used during incremental backups when you use the archive bit and when you examine the create time on folders. This comparison is done for archive bit-based backups as well as date-based backups.</p>
<b>Communications buffer size</b>	<p>Specifies the size (in kilobytes) of the TCP and IP buffers used to transfer data between the NetBackup server and client. For example, specify 10 for a buffer size of 10 kilobytes. The minimum allowable value is 2, with no maximum allowable value. The default is 16 kilobytes.</p>
<b>User directed timeouts</b>	<p>Specifies the seconds that are allowed between when a user requests a backup or restore and when the operation begins. The operation fails if it does not begin within this time period.</p> <p>This property has no minimum value or maximum value. The default is 60 seconds.</p>

Table 3-22 Windows Client Settings properties (continued)

Property	Description
Maximum error messages for server	Defines how many times a NetBackup client can send the same error message to a NetBackup server. For example, if the archive bits cannot be reset on a file, this property limits how many times the message appears in the server logs. The default is 10.
Keep status of user-directed backups, archives, and restores	Specifies how many days the system keeps progress reports before NetBackup automatically deletes them. The default is 3 days.
Perform default search for restore	<p>Instructs NetBackup to search the default range of backup images automatically. The backed up folders and files within the range appear whenever a restore window is opened.</p> <p>Clear the <b>Perform default search for restore</b> check box to disable the initial search. With the property disabled, the NetBackup Restore window does not display any files or folders upon opening. The default is that the option is enabled.</p>

## How to determine if change journal support is useful in your NetBackup environment

Using NetBackup support for the change journal is beneficial only where the volumes are large and relatively static.

Suitable candidates for enabling NetBackup change journal support are as follows:

- If the NTFS volume contains more than 1,000,000 files and folders and the number of changed objects between incremental backups is small (less than 100,000), the volume is a good candidate for enabling NetBackup change journal support.

Unsuitable candidates for enabling NetBackup change journal support are as follows:

- Support for the change journal is intended to reduce scan times for incremental backups by using the information that is gathered from the change journal on a volume. Therefore, to enable NetBackup change journal support is not recommended if the file system on the volume contains relatively few files and folders. (For example, hundreds of thousands of files and folders.) The normal file system scan is suitable under such conditions.
- If the total number of changes on a volume exceeds from 10% to 20% of the total objects, the volume is not a good candidate for enabling NetBackup change journal support.
- Be aware that virus scanning software can interfere with the use of the change journal. Some real-time virus scanners intercept a file open for read, scan for

viruses, then reset the access time. This results in the creation of a change journal entry for every scanned file.

## Guidelines for enabling NetBackup change journal support

The following items are guidelines to consider for enabling NetBackup change journal support:

- A NetBackup client using change journal support must belong to only one policy. To use one policy avoids the confusion that multiple backup settings causes. Multiple backup settings can cause conflicted update sequence number (USN) information in the permanent record.
- Change journal support is not offered for user-directed backups. The USN stamps for full and incremental backups in the permanent record do not change.
- NetBackup support for change journal works with checkpoint restart for restores.  
See [“Checkpoint restart for restore jobs”](#) on page 622.
- Support for change journal is not offered with several NetBackup options or Symantec products.

If **Use change journal** is enabled, it has no effect while you use the following options or products:

- True image restore (TIR) or True image restore with Move Detection  
See [“Collect true image restore information \(policy attribute\) with and without move detection”](#) on page 636.
- Synthetic backups  
See [“About synthetic backups”](#) on page 763.
- Bare Metal Restore (BMR)  
For more information, see the *NetBackup Bare Metal Restore Administrator's Guide*.

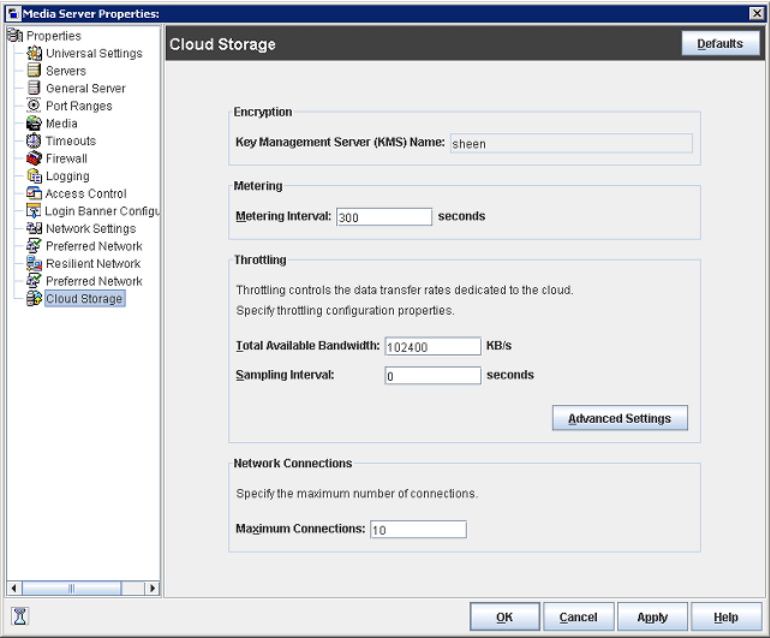
See [“How to determine if change journal support is useful in your NetBackup environment”](#) on page 110.

## Cloud Storage properties

The **Cloud Storage** properties apply to currently selected media servers. The **Cloud Storage** properties contain information about metering, bandwidth throttling, and network connections.

For more information about NetBackup Cloud Storage, see the *NetBackup Cloud Administrator's Guide*.

Figure 3-17 Cloud Storage dialog box



The **Cloud Storage** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-23 Cloud Storage dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Key Management Server (KMS) Name</b>	The name of your site's KMS server. If you have not configured KMS, this displays as <kms_server_name>.
<b>Metering Interval</b>	Determines how often information is gathered for reporting purposes. OpsCenter uses the information that is collected to create reports. The value is set in seconds. The default setting is 300 seconds (5 minutes). If you set this value to zero, metering is disabled.
<b>Total Available Bandwidth</b>	Use this value to specify the speed of your connection to the cloud. The value is specified in kilobytes per second. The default value is 104857600 KB/sec.

Table 3-23 Cloud Storage dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Sampling interval	The time, in seconds, between measurements of bandwidth usage. The larger this value, the less often NetBackup checks to determine the bandwidth in use.
Maximum connections	This value determines the maximum number of connections that are allowed for the cloud provider.

Click **Advanced Settings** to specify additional settings for throttling. The **Advanced Throttling Configuration** dialog box contains the following properties.

Figure 3-18 Advanced Throttling Configuration dialog box

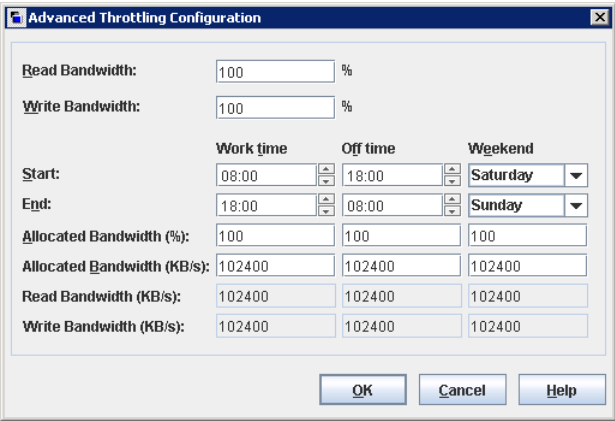


Table 3-24 Advanced Throttling Configuration dialog box settings

Property	Description
Read bandwidth	<p>The read bandwidth value determines the size of the data packs transmitted from the cloud during each restore job.</p> <p>An increase in the value may increase performance when large amounts of contiguous data are accessed.</p> <p>If there is insufficient bandwidth to transmit the specified amount of data within a few minutes, restore failures may occur due to timeouts.</p> <p>Consider the total load of simultaneous jobs on multiple media servers when you calculate the required bandwidth.</p>

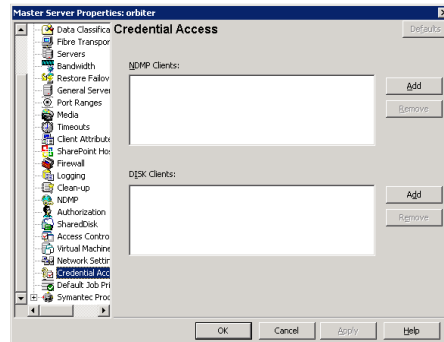
**Table 3-24**      Advanced Throttling Configuration dialog box settings (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Write bandwidth</b>	<p>The write bandwidth value determines the size of the data packs transmitted from the local computer to the cloud during each backup job.</p> <p>An increase in the value may increase performance when large amounts of contiguous data are accessed.</p> <p>If there is insufficient bandwidth to transmit the specified amount of data within a few minutes, restore failures may occur due to timeouts.</p> <p>Consider the total load of simultaneous jobs on multiple media servers when you calculate the required bandwidth.</p>
<b>Work time</b>	<p>Use this field to specify the time interval that is considered work time for the cloud connection.</p> <p>Specify a start and end time in 24-hour format. For example, 2:00 P.M. is 14:00.</p> <p>Indicate how much bandwidth the cloud connection can use in the <b>Allocated bandwidth</b> field. This determines how much of the available bandwidth is used for cloud operations in this time window. The value is expressed as a percentage or in kilobytes per second.</p>
<b>Off time</b>	<p>Use this field to specify the time interval that is considered off time for the cloud connection.</p> <p>Specify a start and end time in 24-hour format. For example, 2:00 P.M. is 14:00.</p> <p>Indicate how much bandwidth the cloud connection can use in the <b>Allocated bandwidth</b> field. This determines how much of the available bandwidth is used for cloud operations in this time window. The value is expressed as a percentage or in kilobytes per second.</p>
<b>Weekend</b>	<p>Specify the start and stop time for the weekend.</p> <p>Indicate how much bandwidth the cloud connection can use in the <b>Allocated bandwidth</b> field. This determines how much of the available bandwidth is used for cloud operations in this time window. The value is expressed as a percentage or in kilobytes per second.</p>

# Credential Access properties

Certain NetBackup hosts that are not named as clients in a policy must be enabled to access NDMP or disk array credentials. Use the **Credential Access** properties dialog box to enter the names of those NetBackup hosts.

**Figure 3-19** Credential Access dialog box



The **Credential Access** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-25** Credential Access dialog box properties

Property	Description
NDMP Clients list	To add an NDMP client to the <b>NDMP Clients</b> list, click <b>Add</b> . Enter the names of the NDMP hosts that are not named as clients in a policy.
Disk clients list	<p>To add a Disk Client to the <b>DISK Clients</b> list, click <b>Add</b>. Enter the names of the NetBackup hosts that meet all of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The host must be designated in a policy as the Off-host backup host in an alternate client backup.</li> <li>■ The host that is designated as the Off-host backup computer must not be named as a client on the <b>Clients</b> tab in any NetBackup policy.</li> <li>■ The policy for the off-host backup must be configured to use one of the disk array snapshot methods for the EMC CLARiON, HP EVA, or IBM disk arrays.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> The credentials for the disk array or NDMP host are specified under <b>Media and Device Management &gt; Credentials</b>.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Off-host alternate client backup is a feature of NetBackup Snapshot Client, which requires a separate license. The NetBackup for NDMP feature requires the NetBackup for NDMP license.</p>

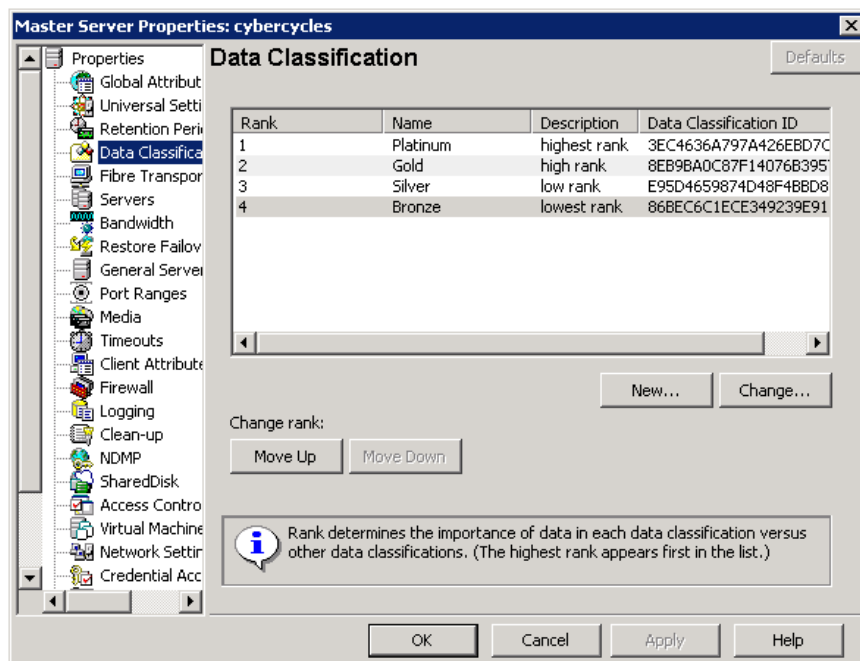
## Data Classification properties

The **Data Classification** properties apply to currently selected master and media servers.

Data classifications must be configured in the **Data Classification** host properties before storage life cycle policies can be configured.

See [“Data classifications \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 615.

**Figure 3-20** Data Classification dialog box



The **Data Classification** dialog box contains the following properties.



**Table 3-26** Data Classification dialog box properties

Property	Description
Rank column	<p>The <b>Rank</b> column displays the rank of the data classifications. The order of the data classifications determines the rank of the classification in relationship to the others in the list. The lowest numbered rank has the highest priority.</p> <p>Use the <b>Move Up</b> and <b>Move Down</b> options to move the classification up or down in the list.</p> <p>To create a new data classification, click <b>New</b>. New data classifications are added to bottom of the list. To increase the rank of a data classification, select a line and click <b>Move Up</b>. To decrease the rank of a data classification, select a line and click <b>Move Down</b>.</p>
Name column	<p>The <b>Name</b> column displays the data classification name. While data classifications cannot be deleted, the data classification names can be modified.</p> <p>NetBackup provides the following data classifications by default:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Platinum (highest rank by default)</li> <li>■ Gold (second highest rank by default)</li> <li>■ Silver (third highest rank by default)</li> <li>■ Bronze (lowest rank by default)</li> </ul>
Description column	<p>In the <b>Description column</b>, enter a meaningful description for the data classification. Descriptions can be modified.</p>
Data Classification ID	<p>The <b>Data Classification ID</b> is the GUID value that identifies the data classification and is generated when a new data classification is added and the host property is saved.</p> <p>A data classification ID becomes associated with a backup image by setting the Data Classification attribute in the policy dialog box. The ID is written into the image header. The storage lifecycle policies use the ID to identify the images that are associated with classification.</p> <p>ID values can exist in image headers indefinitely, so data classifications cannot be deleted. The name, description, and rank can change without changing the identity of the data classification.</p>

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**Note:** Data classifications cannot be deleted. However, the name, description, and the rank can be changed. The classification ID remains the same.

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## Creating a Data Classification

Use the following procedures to create or change a data classification.

**To create a data classification**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**.
- 2 In the left pane, click **Data Classification**.
- 3 Click **New**.
- 4 Add the name and description in the **New Data Classification** dialog box.
- 5 Click **OK** to save the classification and close the dialog box.

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**Note:** Data classifications cannot be deleted.

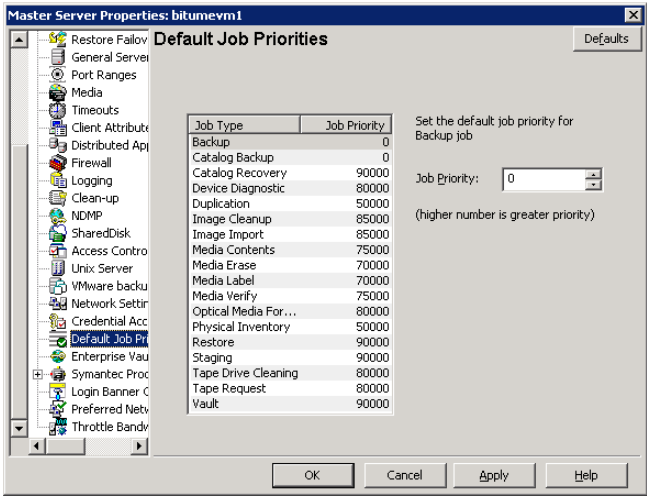
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- 6 Select a line in the **Data Classification** host properties and use the **Move Up** and **Move Down** options to move the classification level up or down in the list.

# Default Job Priorities properties

The **Default Job Priorities** host properties let administrators configure the default job priority for different job types. The **Default Job Priorities** host properties list 18 job types and the configurable default priority for each.

**Figure 3-21** Default Job Priorities dialog box



The job priority can be set for individual jobs in the following utilities:

- In the **Jobs** tab of the **Activity Monitor** for queued or active jobs. See [“Changing the Job Priority dynamically from the Activity Monitor”](#) on page 909.
- In the **Catalog** utility for verify, duplicate, and import jobs.
- In the **Reports** utility for a Media Contents report job.
- In the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface for restore jobs.

The **Default Job Priorities** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-27** Default Job Priorities dialog box properties

Property	Description
Job Type and Job Priority list	This listing includes 18 job types and the current configurable priority for each.
Job Priority	<p>The <b>Job Priority</b> value specifies the priority that a job has as it competes with other jobs for backup resources. The value can range from 0 to 99999. The higher the number, the greater the priority of the job.</p> <p>A new priority setting affects all the policies that are created after the host property has been changed.</p> <p>A higher priority does not guarantee that a job receives resources before a job with a lower priority. NetBackup evaluates jobs with a higher priority before those with a lower priority.</p> <p>However, the following factors can cause a job with a lower priority to run before a job with a higher priority:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ To maximize drive use, a low priority job may run first if it can use a drive that is currently loaded. A job with a higher priority that requires that the drive be unloaded would wait.</li><li>■ If a low priority job can join a multiplexed group, it may run first. The job with a higher priority may wait if it is not able to join the multiplexed group.</li><li>■ If the NetBackup Resource Broker (NBRB) receives a job request during an evaluation cycle, it does not consider the job until the next cycle, regardless of the job priority.</li></ul>

## Understanding the Job Priority setting

NetBackup uses the **Job Priority** setting as a guide. Requests with a higher priority do not always receive resources before a request with a lower priority.

The NetBackup Resource Broker (NBRB) maintains resource requests for jobs in a queue.

NBRB evaluates the requests sequentially and sorts them based on the following criteria:

- The request's first priority.
- The request's second priority.
- The birth time (when the Resource Broker receives the request).

The first priority is weighted more heavily than the second priority, and the second priority is weighted more heavily than the birth time.

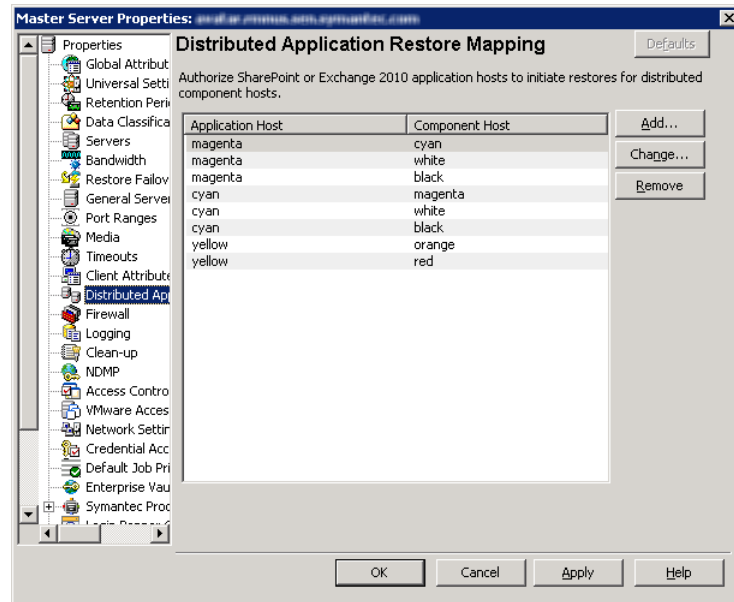
Because a request with a higher priority is listed in the queue before a request with a lower priority, the request with a higher priority is evaluated first. Even though the chances are greater that the higher priority request receives resources first, it is not always definite.

The following scenarios present situations in which a request with a lower priority may receive resources before a request with a higher priority:

- A higher priority job needs to unload the media in a drive because the retention level (or the media pool) of the loaded media is not what the job requires. A lower priority job can use the media that is already loaded in the drive. To maximize drive utilization, the Resource Broker gives the loaded media and drive pair to the job with the lower priority.
- A higher priority job is not eligible to join an existing multiplexing group but a lower priority job is eligible to join the multiplexing group. To continue spinning the drive at the maximum rate, the lower priority job joins the multiplexing group and runs.
- The Resource Broker receives resource requests for jobs and places the requests in a queue before processing them. New resource requests are sorted and evaluated every 5 minutes. Some external events (a new resource request or a resource release, for example) can also trigger an evaluation. If the Resource Broker receives a request of any priority while it processes requests in an evaluation cycle, the request is not evaluated until the next evaluation cycle starts.

# Distributed application restore mapping properties

Figure 3-22 Distributed Application Restore Mapping dialog box



Some applications, such as SharePoint and Exchange, distribute and replicate data across multiple hosts. Special configuration is required to allow NetBackup to restore databases to the correct hosts in a SharePoint farm. For Exchange, this configuration is required for an Exchange Database Availability (DAG), cluster, or private network or for an off-host backup. In the **Distributed application restore mapping** properties, add each host in the environment.

The **Distributed Application Restore Mapping** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-28 Distributed Application Restore Mapping dialog box properties

Property	Description
Add	Adds a host that is authorized to run restores on SharePoint component hosts or Exchange hosts. You must provide the name of the <b>Application host</b> and the name of the <b>Component host</b> in the SharePoint farm. Or for Exchange provide the host names in the DAG, cluster, or private network, or the hosts that perform the off-host backups. <b>Note:</b> For restores to be successful in an Exchange 2010 DAG environment, you must add the CAS server to the list.
Change	Changes the application host or component host of the currently selected mapping.
Remove	Removes the currently selected mapping.

For more information, see the following:

*NetBackup for Microsoft SharePoint Server Administrator's Guide.*

*NetBackup for Microsoft Exchange Server Administrator's Guide.*

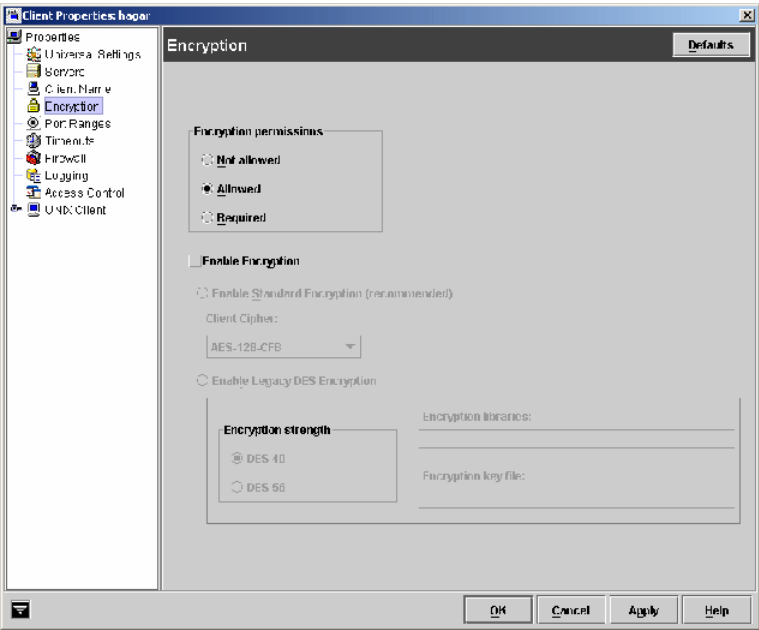
## Encryption properties

The **Encryption** properties control encryption on the currently selected client. Multiple clients can be selected and configured at one time only if all selected clients are running the same version of NetBackup. If not, the Encryption properties dialog box is hidden.

The separately-priced NetBackup Encryption option must be installed on the client for these settings (other than **Allowed**) to take effect.

More information is available in the *NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide*.

Figure 3-23 Encryption dialog box



The **Encryption permissions** property indicates the encryption setting on the selected NetBackup client as determined by the master server.

Table 3-29 Encryption permissions selections

Property	Description
Not allowed	Specifies that the client does not permit encrypted backups. If the server requests an encrypted backup, the backup job ends due to error.
Allowed	Specifies that the client allows either encrypted or unencrypted backups. Allowed is the default setting for a client that has not been configured for encryption.
Required	Specifies that the client requires encrypted backups. If the server requests an unencrypted backup, the backup job ends due to error.

Select the **Enable encryption** property if the NetBackup Encryption option is used on the selected client.

After **Enable Encryption** is selected, choose from the properties in [Table 3-30](#).

Table 3-30 Encryption dialog box properties

Property	Description
Enable standard encryption	Pertains to the 128-bit and the 256-bit options of NetBackup Encryption. If the selected client does not use Legacy encryption, <b>Enable standard encryption</b> is automatically selected.
Client Cipher	<p>The following cipher types are available: BF-CFB, DES-EDE-CFB, AES-256-CFB, and AES-128-CFB. AES-128-CFB is the default.</p> <p>More information on the ciphers file is found in the <i>NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide</i>.</p>
Enable legacy DES encryption	Pertains to the 40-bit and the 56-bit data encryption standard (DES) NetBackup encryption packages.
Encryption strength	<p>Defines the encryption strength on the NetBackup client when Legacy encryption is used:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ DES_40 Specifies the 40-bit DES encryption. DES_40 is the default value for a client that has not been configured for encryption.</li><li>■ DES_56 Specifies the 56-bit DES encryption.</li></ul>
Encryption libraries	<p>Specify the folder that contains the encryption libraries on NetBackup clients.</p> <p>The default location is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ On Windows systems <code>install_path\netbackup\bin\</code>  Where <i>install_path</i> is the directory where NetBackup is installed and by default is C:\Program Files\VERITAS.</li><li>■ On UNIX systems <code>/usr/opensv/lib</code></li></ul> <p>If it is necessary to change the setting, specify the new name.</p>



Table 3-30

Encryption dialog box properties (continued)

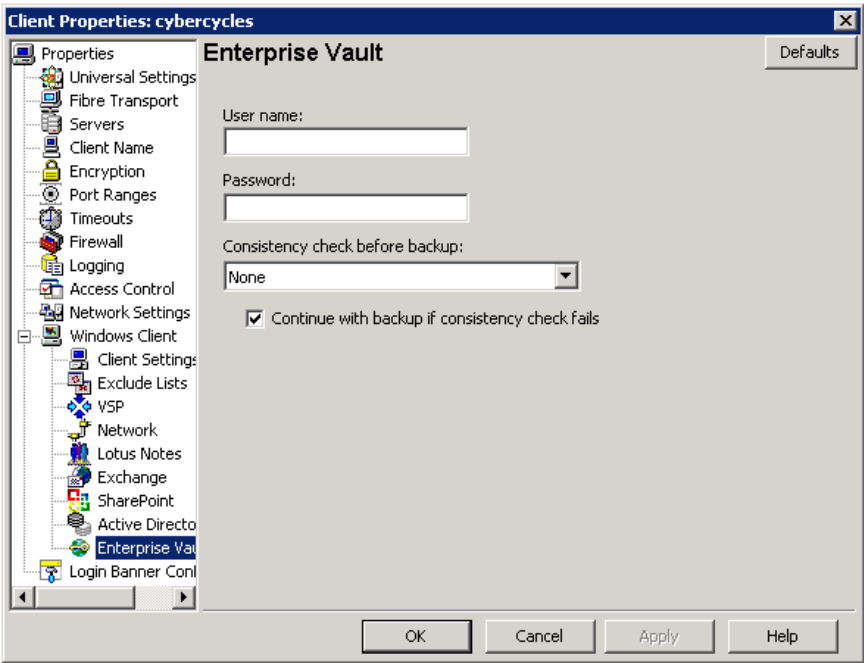
Property	Description
Encryption key file	<p>Specify the file that contains the encryption keys on NetBackup clients. The default location is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On Windows systems <div>install_path\NetBackup\bin\keyfile.dat</div> <p>Where <i>install_path</i> is the folder where NetBackup is installed and by default is C:\Program Files\VERITAS.</p> </li> <li>On UNIX systems <div>/usr/opensv/netbackup/keyfile</div> </li> </ul> <p>If it is necessary to change the setting, specify the new name.</p>

Enterprise Vault properties

The **Enterprise Vault** properties apply to currently selected clients.

To perform backups and restores, NetBackup must know the user name and password for the account that is used to log on to the Enterprise Vault Server and to interact with the Enterprise Vault SQL database. The user must set the logon account for every NetBackup client that runs backup and restore operations for Enterprise Vault components.

Figure 3-24 Enterprise Vault dialog box



The **Enterprise Vault** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-31 Enterprise Vault dialog box properties

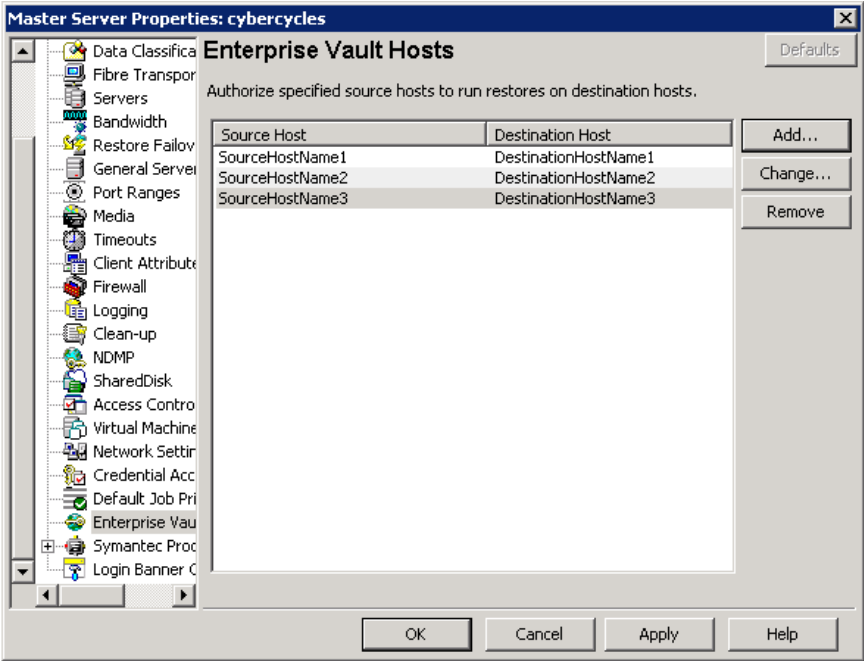
Property	Description
User Name	Specify the user ID for the account that is used to log on to Enterprise Vault (DOMAIN\user name).
Password	Specify the password for the account.
Consistency check before backup	Select what kind of consistency checks to perform on the SQL Server databases before NetBackup begins a backup operation.

## Enterprise Vault Hosts properties

The **Enterprise Vault Hosts** properties apply to currently selected master servers. Special configuration is required to allow NetBackup to restore SQL databases to the correct hosts in an Enterprise Vault farm. In the **Enterprise Vault Hosts**

master server properties, specify a source and a destination host. By doing so, you specify a source host that can run restores on the destination host.

Figure 3-25 Enterprise Vault Hosts master server properties



The **Enterprise Vault Hosts** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-32 Enterprise Vault Hosts dialog box properties

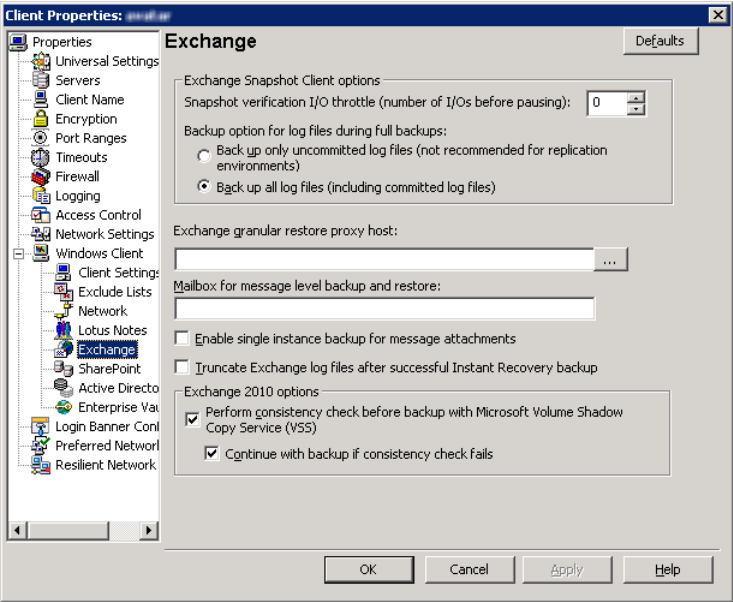
Option	Description
Add	Adds the source and the destination hosts within the Enterprise Vault configuration. You must provide the name of the <b>Source host</b> and the name of the <b>Destination host</b> .
Change	Changes the source host and the destination host, an entry that you select from the Enterprise Vault Hosts field.

## Exchange properties

The **Exchange** properties apply to the currently selected Windows clients. For clustered or replicated environments, configure the same settings for all nodes. If you change the attributes for the virtual server name, only the active node is updated.

For complete information on these options, see the *NetBackup for Microsoft Exchange Server Administrator's Guide* .

Figure 3-26 Exchange dialog box



The **Exchange** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-33 Exchange dialog box properties

Property	Description
Snapshot verification I/O throttle	For snapshot backups, specify the number of I/Os to process for each 1-second pause. This option applies to Exchange 2003 SP2 and to Exchange 2007 if the Exchange Management Console is not installed on the alternate client.

Table 3-33 Exchange dialog box properties (*continued*)

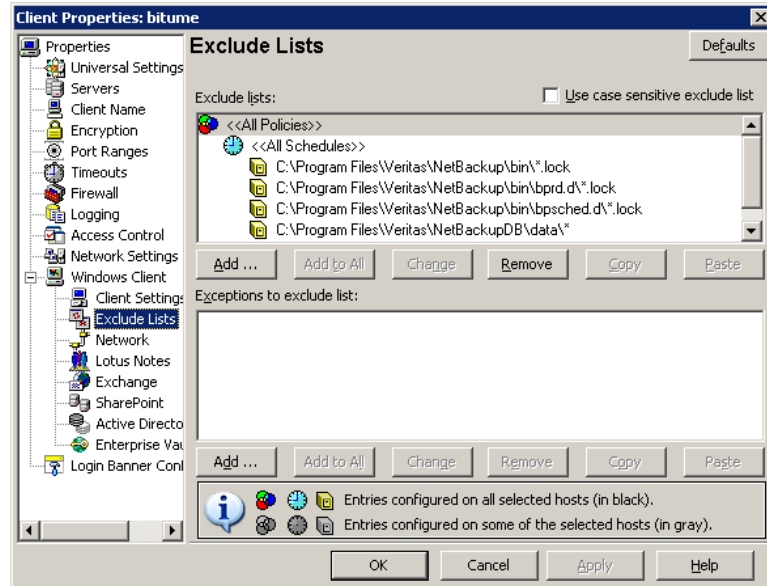
Property	Description
<b>Backup option for log files during full backups</b>	<p>Choose which logs to include with snapshot backups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Back up only uncommitted log files</b> Select this option to back up only the log files that are uncommitted. This option is not recommended for Exchange 2010 DAG or Exchange 2007 CCR environments.</li> <li>■ <b>Back up all log files (including committed log files)</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> As of NetBackup 7.0, the default option is now <b>Back up all log files (including committed log files)</b>. If you previously changed this setting for a client, your selection remains the same. For new installations of NetBackup, the default is <b>Back up all log files (including committed log files)</b>. For upgrade installations where you did not change this setting for a client, the default is changed to <b>Back up all log files (including committed log files)</b>.</p>
<b>Truncate log after successful Instant Recovery backup</b>	Enable this option to delete transaction logs after a successful Instant Recovery backup. By default, transaction logs are not deleted for a full Instant Recovery backup that is snapshot only.
<b>Exchange granular restore proxy host</b>	You can specify a different Windows system to act as a proxy for the source client. Use a proxy if you do not want to affect the source client or if it is not available. This situation applies when you duplicate a GRT-enabled backup image from a disk storage unit to a tape storage unit or when you use the <code>bplist</code> command.
<b>Mailbox for message level backup and restore</b>	As of NetBackup 7.0, this setting no longer needs to be configured.
<b>Enable single instance backup for message attachments</b>	Enable this option to back up the data that is stored on a Single Instance Store (SIS) volume. This feature only applies to Exchange Server 2007 and earlier versions.
<b>Perform consistency check before backup with Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy Service (VSS)</b>	Disable this option if you do not want to perform a consistency check during an Exchange 2010 DAG backup. If you check <b>Continue with backup if consistency check fails</b> , NetBackup continues to perform the backup even if the consistency check fails.

## Exclude Lists properties

Use the **Exclude Lists** properties to create and to modify the exclude lists for Windows clients. An exclude list names the files and directories to be excluded from backups of the selected Windows clients.

For UNIX clients, use the `bpgetconfig` and `bpsetconfig` commands to gather and modify the exclude list files from the `/usr/openv/netbackup` directory on each client.

**Figure 3-27** Exclude Lists dialog box



**Exclude Lists** properties apply only to Windows clients. On NetWare target clients, specify the exclude list when the targets are added. NetWare NonTarget clients do not support exclude lists. For more information, see the NetBackup user's guide for the client.

See [“About excluding files from automatic backups”](#) on page 746.

If more than one exclude or include list exists for a client, NetBackup uses only the most specific one.

For example, assume that a client has the following exclude lists:

- An exclude list for a policy and schedule.
- An exclude list for a policy.
- An exclude list for the entire client. This list does not specify a policy or schedule.

In this example, NetBackup uses the first exclude list (for policy and schedule) because it is the most specific.

Exclude and include lists that are set up for specific policies and schedules, are not used to determine if an entire drive is to be excluded when NetBackup determines if a backup job should be started.

Normally, this is not a problem. However, if a policy uses multistreaming, a drive which is excluded for a specific policy and schedule will have backup jobs started for it. Since no data will have needed to be backed up, this job reports an error status when it completes. To avoid the situation, base the exclude list on the client and not on a policy and schedule.

The **Exclude Lists** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-34** Excludes Lists dialog box properties

Property	Description
Use case sensitive exclude list property	Indicates that the files and directories to exclude are case-sensitive.
Exclude list	<p>Displays the policies that contain schedule, file, and directory exclusions as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Add</b>  Excludes a file from being backed up by a policy. The exclusion is configured in the <b>Add to exclude list</b> dialog box, then added to the <b>Exclude</b> list. When the policies in this list are run, the files and directories that are specified on the list are backed up. </li> <li> <b>Add to all</b>  Adds the selected list item to all currently selected clients. The item is excluded from the backup list on all selected clients. <b>Add to all</b> is enabled only when more than one client is selected for configuration and a list item is selected was not configured on the selected hosts. (Rather, an unavailable list item is selected.) Click <b>Add to All</b> to add the selected list item to all currently selected clients. The item is excluded from the backup list on all selected clients. </li> <li> <b>Remove</b>  Removes the selected policy, schedule, or file from the Exclude list. The item is included in the backup. </li> </ul>

Table 3-34 Excludes Lists dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Exceptions to exclude list	<p>Displays the policies, schedules, files, and directories that are excepted from the Exclude list. When the policies on the <b>Exceptions to the exclude list</b> run, the files and directories on the list are backed up. The list is useful to exclude all files in a directory but one.</p> <p>Options include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Add</b> Creates an exception to the <b>Exclude</b> list. The exception is configured in the <b>Add exceptions to exclude list</b> dialog box, then added to the <b>Exceptions to the exclude list</b>.  When the policies on the <b>Exceptions to the exclude list</b> run, the items on the exceptions list are backed up. Effectively, you add files back into the backup list of a policy.</li><li>■ <b>Add to all</b> Adds the selected list item to the <b>Exceptions to the exclude list</b> of all currently selected clients. When the policies on the exclude list run, the items on the exceptions list are backed up on all selected clients.</li><li>■ <b>Remove</b> Removes the selected policy, schedule, or file from the Exceptions list. The item is excluded from the backup.</li></ul>

About the Add to exclude list and Add to exceptions list dialog boxes

The **Add to Exclude List** dialog box and the **Add Exceptions to Exclude List** dialog box contain the following fields:

Table 3-35 Add to Exclude dialog box

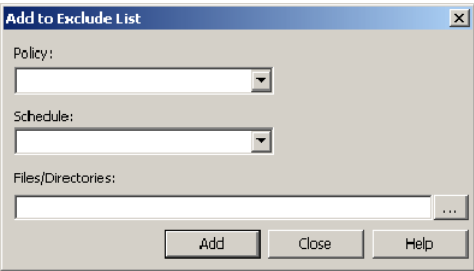
Field	Description
Policy	The policy name that contains the files and the directories that you want to exclude or make exceptions for. You can also select the policy name from the drop-down menu. To exclude or make exceptions for the backup of specific files or directories from all policies, select <All Policies>.
Schedule	The schedule name that is associated with the files and the directories that you want to exclude or make exceptions for. You can also select the schedule name from the drop-down menu. To exclude or make exceptions for the backups of specific files or directories from all schedules, select <All Schedules>.



Table 3-35 Add to Exclude dialog box (continued)

Field	Description
Files/Directories	The full path to the file(s) and the directories that you want to exclude or make exceptions for.

Figure 3-28 Add to Exclude List properties



### Adding an entry to an exclude list

Use the following procedure to add an entry to an exclude list for a policy:

**To add an entry to the exclude list**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Clients**. Double-click on a client.
- 2 Under the Exclude List, click **Add**.
- 3 In the **Policy** field, select a policy name from the drop-down menu or enter the name of a policy. Select **All Policies** to exclude these items from all policies.
- 4 In the **Schedule** field, select a schedule name from the drop-down menu or enter the name of a schedule. Select **All Schedules** to exclude the specified files and directories from all schedules in the policy.
- 5 In the **Files/Directories** field, enter the files or directories to be excluded from the backups that are based on the selected policy and schedule.
- 6 Click **Add** to add the specified files and directories to the exclude list.
- 7 Click **Apply** to accept the changes. Click **OK** to accept the changes and close the host properties dialog box.

### Adding an exception to the exclude list

Use the following procedure to add an exception to the exclude list for a policy:

### To add an exception to the exclude list

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Clients**. Double-click on a client.
- 2 Under the Exceptions to the Exclude List, click **Add**.
- 3 In the **Policy** field, select a policy name from the drop-down menu or enter the name of a policy. Select **All Policies** to add these items back into all policies. (In other words, these items are to be excluded from the exclude list.)
- 4 In the **Schedule** field, select a schedule name from the drop-down menu or enter the name of a schedule. Select **All Schedules** to add these items back into the schedules.
- 5 In the **Files/Directories** field, enter the files or directories to be added back into the backups that are based on the selected policy and schedule.
- 6 Click **Add** to add the specified files and directories to the Exceptions to the Exclude List.
- 7 Click **Apply** to accept the changes. Click **OK** to accept the changes and close the host properties dialog box.

## Syntax rules for exclude lists

Symantec suggests that you always specify automounted directories and CD-ROM file systems in the exclude list. Otherwise, if the directories are not mounted at the time of a backup, NetBackup must wait for a timeout.

The following syntax rules apply to exclude lists:

- Only one pattern per line is allowed.
- NetBackup recognizes standard wildcard use.  
See [“Wildcard use in NetBackup”](#) on page 958.  
See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.
- Spaces are considered legal characters. Do not include extra spaces unless they are part of the file name.  
For example, if you want to exclude a file named  
`C:\testfile` (with no extra space character at the end)  
and your exclude list entry is  
`C:\testfile` (with an extra space character at the end)  
NetBackup cannot find the file until you delete the extra space from the end of the file name.
- End a file path with `\` to exclude only directories with that path name (for example, `C:\users\test\`). If the pattern does not end in `\` (for example,

`C:\users\test`), NetBackup excludes both files and directories with that path name.

- To exclude all files with a given name, regardless of their directory path, enter the name. For example:

`test`

rather than

`C:\test`

This example is equivalent to prefixing the file pattern with

`\`

`\*\`

`\*\*\`

`\*\*\*\`

and so on.

The following syntax rules apply only to UNIX clients:

- Do not use patterns with links in the names. For example, assume `/home` is a link to `/usr/home` and `/home/doc` is in the exclude list. The file is still backed up in this case because the actual directory path, `/usr/home/doc`, does not match the exclude list entry, `/home/doc`.
- Blank lines or lines which begin with a pound sign (#) are ignored.

## Windows client exclude list example

Assume that an exclude list in the Exclude Lists host properties contains the following entries:

`C:\users\doe\john`

`C:\users\doe\abc\`

`C:\users\*\test`

`C:\*\temp`

`core`

Given the exclude list example, the following files, and directories are excluded from automatic backups:

- The file or directory named `C:\users\doe\john`.
- The directory `C:\users\doe\abc\` (because the exclude entry ends with `\`).
- All files or directories named `test` that are two levels beneath `users` on drive C.

- All files or directories named `temp` that are two levels beneath the root directory on drive C.
- All files or directories named `core` at any level and on any drive.

## Traversing excluded directories

An exclude list can indicate a directory for exclusion, while the client uses an include list to override the exclude list. NetBackup traverses the excluded directories if necessary, to satisfy the client's include list.

Assume the following settings for a Windows client:

- The backup policy backup selection list indicates `ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES`. When a scheduled backup runs, the entire client is backed up.  
The entire client is also backed up if the backup selection list consists of only:  
/
- The exclude list on the client consists of only: \*  
An exclude list of \* indicates that all files are excluded from the backup.
- However, since the include list on the Windows client includes the following file: `C:\WINNT`, the excluded directories are traversed to back up `C:\WINNT`.  
If the include list did not contain any entry, no directories are traversed.

In another example, assume the following settings for a UNIX client:

- The backup selection list for the client consists of the following: /
- The exclude list for the UNIX client consists of the following: /
- The include list of the UNIX client consists of the following directories:  
/data1  
/data2  
/data3

Because the include list specifies full paths and the exclude list excludes everything, NetBackup replaces the backup selection list with the client's include list.

## Fibre Transport properties

The **Fibre Transport** master server properties apply to the SAN clients whose preferences have not been set explicitly.

The **Fibre Transport** properties apply only when the SAN Client license is installed.

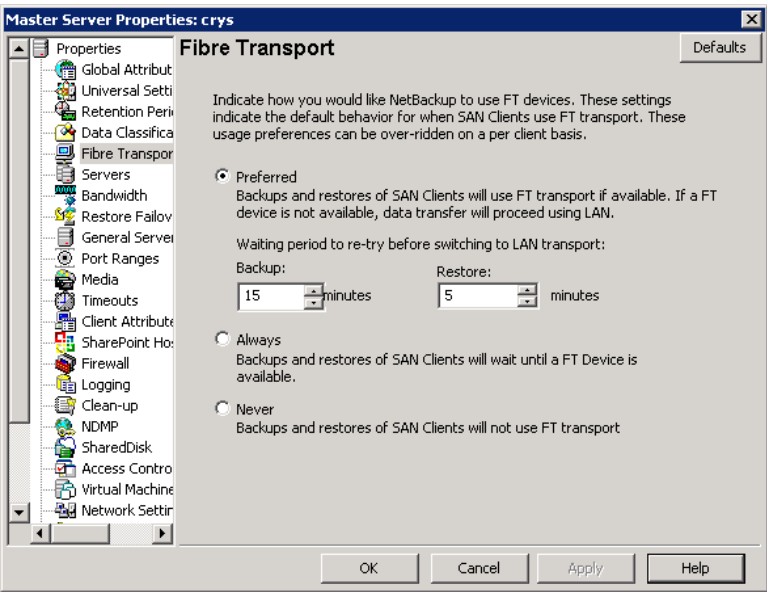
The **Fibre Transport** media server property applies to the SAN clients for selected media servers.

The **Fibre Transport** client properties apply to the selected SAN clients. The defaults for clients are the property settings of the master server.

An FT device is the target mode driver on a NetBackup FT media server. An FT pipe is the logical connection that carries backup and restore data between an FT media server and a SAN client.

For more information about NetBackup Fibre Transport, see the *NetBackup SAN Client and Fibre Transport Guide*.

Figure 3-29 Master server Fibre Transport host properties



The master server **Fibre Transport** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-36 Fibre Transport dialog box properties

Property	Description
Preferred	The <b>Preferred</b> property specifies to use an FT pipe if an FT device is available within the configured wait period in minutes. If an FT device is not available after the wait period elapses, NetBackup uses a LAN connection for the operation.  If you select this option, also specify the wait period for backups and for restores.  For the global property that is specified on the master server, the default is <b>Preferred</b> .

Table 3-36      Fibre Transport dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Always	<p>The <b>Always</b> property specifies that NetBackup should always use an FT pipe for backups and restores of SAN clients. NetBackup waits until an FT device is available before it begins the operation.</p> <p>However, an FT device must be active and available. If no FT device exists, NetBackup uses the LAN. An FT device may not exist because none is active, none have been configured, or the SAN Client license expired.</p>
Never	<p>The <b>Never</b> property specifies that NetBackup should never use an FT pipe for backups and restores of SAN clients. NetBackup uses a LAN connection for the backups and restores.</p> <p>If you specify <b>Never</b> for the master server, Fibre Transport is disabled in the NetBackup environment. If you select <b>Never</b>, you can configure FT usage on a per-client basis.</p> <p>If you specify <b>Never</b> for a media server, Fibre Transport is disabled for the media server.</p> <p>If you specify <b>Never</b> for a SAN client, Fibre Transport is disabled for the client.</p>
Maximum concurrent FT connections	<p>This property applies to the media properties only.</p> <p>This property specifies the number of FT connections to allow to a media server.</p> <p>The default is four times the number of HBA target ports (maximum of 16).</p>
Use defaults from the master server configuration	<p>This property applies to the client properties only.</p> <p>This property specifies that the client follow the properties as they are configured on the master server.</p>

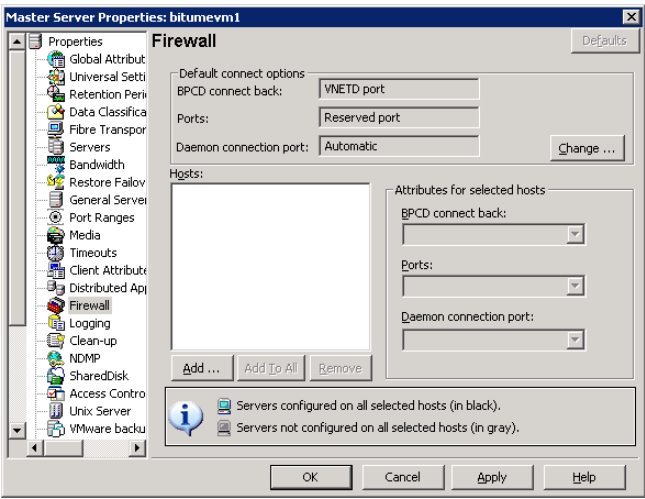
## Firewall properties

The **Firewall** properties describe how the selected master and media servers are connected to by other hosts.

Servers are added to the host list of the Firewall properties. To configure port usage for clients, see the **Client Attributes** properties.

See “[Client Attributes properties](#)” on page 87.

Figure 3-30 Firewall dialog box



The **Firewall** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-37 Firewall dialog box properties

Property	Description
Default connect options	<p>By default, NetBackup selects firewall-friendly connect options under <b>Default connect options</b>. However, the default options can be set differently for individual servers under <b>Attributes for selected Hosts</b>.</p> <p>By default, the firewall settings are configured to require the fewest possible ports to be open.</p> <p>These properties correspond to the <code>DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>To change the default connect options for the selected server, click <b>Change</b>.</p> <p>Click <b>Change</b> to change the <b>Default connect options</b>. Change the Firewall properties in the <b>Default Connect Options</b> dialog box.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If <b>VNETD only</b> is selected as the <b>Daemon connection port</b>, the <b>BPCD connect back</b> setting is not applicable. If <b>VNETD only</b> is selected as the <b>Daemon connection port</b>, <b>Use non-reserved ports</b> is always used regardless of the value of the Ports setting.</p>

Table 3-37 Firewall dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
Hosts list	<p>To change the default connect options for any server, add the server to the host list. Servers do not automatically appear on the list.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Add option</b> Click <b>Add</b> to add a host entry to the host list. A host must be listed before it can be selected for configuration.</li><li>■ <b>Add to all option</b> Click <b>Add to All</b> to add the listed hosts (along with the specified properties) to all hosts that are selected for host property configuration. (That is, the hosts that are selected upon opening the <b>Host Properties</b>.)</li><li>■ <b>Remove option</b> Select a host name in the list, then click <b>Remove</b> to remove the host from the list.</li></ul>
Attributes for selected hosts	<p>Connect options can be configured for individual servers.</p> <p>These properties correspond to the <code>CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
BPCD connect back	<p>This property specifies how daemons are to connect back to the NetBackup Client daemon (<code>BPCD</code>) as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Use default connect options</b> (An option for individual hosts) Use the methods that are specified under <b>Default connect options</b>.</li><li>■ <b>Random port</b> NetBackup randomly chooses a free port in the allowed range to perform the traditional connect-back method.</li><li>■ <b>VNETD port</b> This method requires no connect-back. The Veritas Network Daemon (<code>vnetd</code>) was designed to enhance firewall efficiency with NetBackup during server-to-server and server-to-client communications. The server initiates all <code>bpcd</code> socket connections.  Consider the example in which <code>bpbrm</code> on a media server initially connects with <code>bpcd</code> on a client. The situation does not pose a firewall problem because <code>bpbrm</code> uses the well-known <code>bpcd</code> port.</li></ul>



Table 3-37 Firewall dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
Ports	<p>Select whether a reserved or non-reserved port number should be used to connect to the server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Use default connect options</b> (An option for individual hosts) Use the methods that are specified under Default attributes.</li> <li>■ <b>Reserved port</b> Connect to the server by a reserved port number.</li> <li>■ <b>Use non-reserved ports</b> Connect to the server by a non-reserved port number. If this property is selected, also enable <b>Accept connections from non-reserved ports</b> for the selected server in the Universal Settings properties. See “<a href="#">Universal Settings properties</a>” on page 218.</li> </ul>
Daemon connection port	<p>This option only affects connections to NetBackup 7.0 and earlier. For connections to NetBackup 7.0.1 and later, the <code>veritas_pbx</code> port is used.</p> <p>If configuring connections for NetBackup 7.0 and earlier, select the <b>Daemon connection port</b> method to use to connect to the server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Use default connect options</b> (An option for individual hosts) Use the methods that are specified under <b>Default connect options</b>.</li> <li>■ <b>Automatic</b> The daemons on the server are connected to by <code>vnetd</code> if possible. If it is not possible to use <code>vnetd</code>, the daemon's traditional port number makes the connection.</li> <li>■ <b>VNETD only</b> The daemons on the server are connected to by <code>vnetd</code> only. Select this property if your firewall rules prevent connections to the server by the traditional port number.</li> <li>■ <b>Daemon port only</b> The daemons on the server are connected to by the traditional port number only.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> If <b>vnetd only</b> is selected as the Daemon connection port, the <b>BPCD connect back</b> setting is not applicable. If <b>vnetd only</b> is selected as the Daemon connection port, <b>Non-reserved port</b> is always used regardless of the value of the Ports setting.</p>
Defaults	Set property settings back to the defaults.

## Enabling logging for vnetd

Use the following procedure to enable logging for `vnetd`.

### To enable logging for vnetd

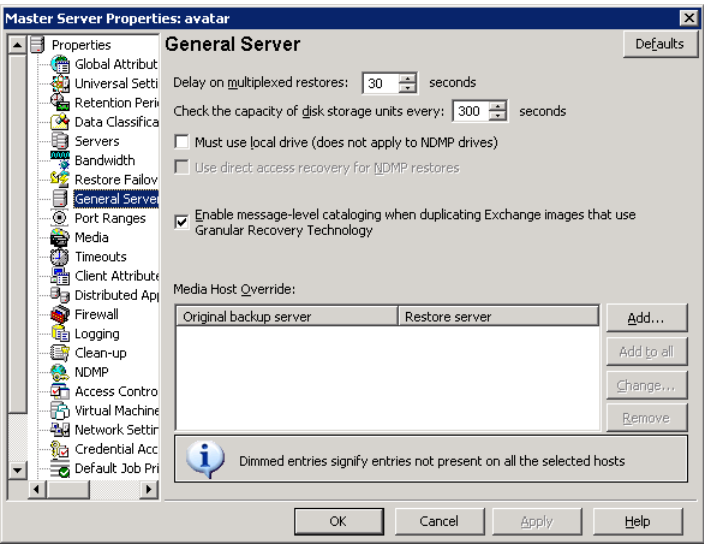
- ◆ Create a `vnetd` directory in the following location:

- On Windows: `install_path\NetBackup\logs\vnetd`
- On UNIX: `/usr/openv/logs/vnetd`

# General Server properties

The **General Server** properties apply to selected master and media servers.

Figure 3-31 General Server dialog box



The **General Server** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-38 General Server dialog box properties

Property	Description
Delay on multiplexed restores	This property specifies how long the server waits for additional restore requests of multiplexed images on the same tape. All of the restore requests that are received within the delay period are included in the same restore operation (one pass of the tape).  The default is a delay of 30 seconds.

**Table 3-38** General Server dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
Check the capacity of disk storage units every	<p>This property determines how often NetBackup checks disk storage units for available capacity. If checks occur too frequently, then system resources are wasted. If checks do not occur often enough, too much time elapses and backup jobs are delayed.</p> <p>The default is 300 seconds (5 minutes).</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This property applies to the disk storage units of 6.0 media servers only. Subsequent releases use internal methods to monitor disk space more frequently.</p>
Must use local drive	<p>This property appears for master servers only, but applies to all media servers as well. This property does not apply to NDMP drives.</p> <p>If a client is also a media server or a master server and <b>Must use local drive</b> is checked, a local drive is used to back up the client. If all drives are down, another can be used.</p> <p>This property increases performance because backups are done locally rather than sent across the network. For example, in a SAN environment a storage unit can be created for each SAN media server. Then, the media server clients may be mixed with other clients in a policy that uses ANY AVAILABLE storage unit. When a backup starts for a client that is a SAN media server, the backups go to the SAN connected drives on that server.</p>
Use direct access recovery for NDMP restores	<p>By default, NetBackup for NDMP is configured to use Direct Access Recovery (DAR) during NDMP restores. DAR can reduce the time it takes to restore files by allowing the NDMP host to position the tape to the exact location of the requested file(s). Only the data that is needed for those files is read.</p> <p>Clear this check box to disable DAR on all NDMP restores. Without DAR, NetBackup reads the entire backup image, even if only a single restore file is needed.</p>
Enable message-level cataloging when duplicating Exchange images that use Granular Recovery Technology	<p>This option performs message-level cataloging when you duplicate Exchange backup images that use Granular Recovery Technology (GRT) from disk to tape. To perform duplication more quickly, you can disable this option. However, then users are not able to browse for individual items on the image that was duplicated to tape.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup for Exchange Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>

Table 3-38 General Server dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Media host override list	<p>Specific servers can be specified in this list as servers to perform restores, regardless of where the files were backed up. (Both servers must be in the same master and media server cluster.) For example, if files were backed up on media server A, a restore request can be forced to use media server B.</p> <p>The following items describe situations in which the capability to specify servers is useful:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Two (or more) servers share a robot and each have connected drives. A restore is requested while one of the servers is either temporarily unavailable or is busy doing backups.</li><li>■ A media server was removed from the NetBackup configuration, and is no longer available.</li></ul> <p>To add a host to the <b>Media host override</b> list, click <b>Add</b>.</p> <p>Click <b>Add to All</b> to add a host to the list for all of the hosts currently selected.</p> <p>To change an entry in the list, select a host name, then click <b>Change</b>.</p> <p>Configure the following options in the Add Media Override settings or Change Media Override settings dialog box:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Original backup server</b> Type the name of the server where data was backed up originally.</li><li>■ <b>Restore server</b> Type the name of the server that is to process future restore requests.</li></ul>
Defaults	Sets all properties back to the default settings.

## Forcing restores to use a specific server

Use the following procedure to force restores to use a specific server.

### To force restores to use a specific server

- 1 If necessary, physically move the media to the host to answer the restore requests, then update the Enterprise Media Manager database to reflect the move.
- 2 Modify the NetBackup configuration on the master server. Add the original backup media server and the restore server to the **Media host override** list in the General Server host properties.
- 3 Stop and restart the NetBackup Request Daemon (bprd) on the master server.

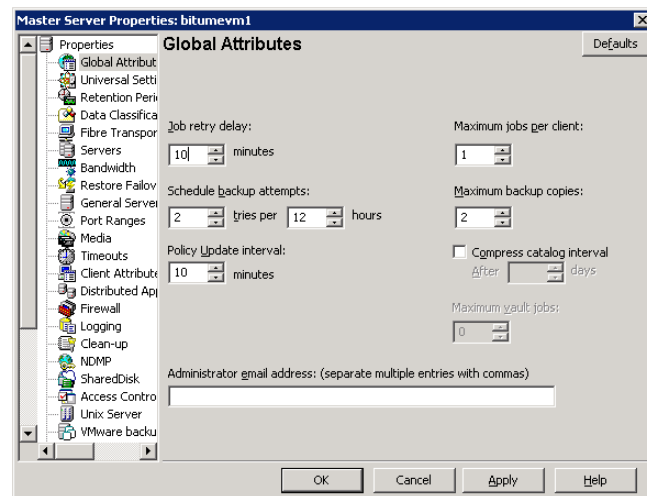
This process applies to all storage units on the original backup server. Restores for any storage unit on the **Original backup server** go to the server that is listed as the **Restore server**.

To revert to the original configuration for future restores, delete the line from the **Media host override** list.

## Global Attributes properties

The **Global Attributes** properties apply to currently selected master servers. The **Global Attributes** properties affect all operations for all policies and clients. The default values are adequate for most installations but can be changed.

Figure 3-32 Global Attributes dialog box



The **Global Attributes** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-39** Global Attributes dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Job retry delay</b>	This property specifies how often NetBackup retries a job. The default is 10 minutes. The maximum is 60 minutes; the minimum is 1 minute.
<b>Schedule backup attempts</b>	<p>NetBackup considers the failure history of a policy to determine whether or not to run a scheduled backup job. The <b>Schedule backup attempts</b> property sets the timeframe for NetBackup to examine.</p> <p>This property determines the following characteristics for each policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ How many preceding hours NetBackup examines to determine whether to allow another backup attempt (retry). By default, NetBackup examines the past 12 hours.</li> <li>■ How many times a backup can be retried within that timeframe. By default, NetBackup allows two attempts. Attempts include the scheduled backups that start automatically or the scheduled backups that are user-initiated.</li> </ul> <p>Consider the following example scenario using the default setting 2 tries every 12 hours:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Policy_A runs at 6:00 P.M.; Schedule_1 fails.</li> <li>■ Policy_A is user-initiated at 8:00 P.M.; Schedule_2 fails.</li> <li>■ At 11:00 P.M., NetBackup looks at the previous 12 hours. NetBackup sees one attempt at 6:00 P.M. and one attempt at 8:00 P.M. The <b>Schedule backup attempts</b> setting of two has been met so NetBackup does not try again.</li> <li>■ At 6:30 A.M. the next morning, NetBackup looks at the previous 12 hours. NetBackup sees only one attempt at 8:00 P.M. The <b>Schedule backup attempts</b> setting of two has not been met so NetBackup tries again. If a schedule window is not open at this time, NetBackup waits until a window is open.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> This attribute does not apply to user backups and archives.</p>
<b>Policy update interval</b>	This property specifies how long NetBackup waits to process a policy after a policy is changed. The interval allows the NetBackup administrator time to make multiple changes to the policy. The default is 10 minutes. The maximum is 1440 minutes; the minimum is 1 minute.
<b>Maximum jobs per client</b>	<p>This property specifies the maximum number of backup and archive jobs that NetBackup clients can perform concurrently. The default is one job.</p> <p>NetBackup can process concurrent backup jobs from different policies on the same client only in the following situations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ More than one storage unit available</li> <li>■ One of the available storage units can perform more than one backup at a time.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“About constraints on the number of concurrent jobs”</a> on page 148.</p>

**Table 3-39** Global Attributes dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Maximum backup copies</b>	<p>The <b>Maximum backup copies</b> property specifies the total number of copies of a backup image that can exist at the same time within a single master server domain. The number of copies can range from 2 to 10. (Default: 5)</p> <p>Multiple copies of a backup image can be created by using any of the following methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Configure a backup job to create multiple copies. See <a href="#">“Multiple copies (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 675.</li> <li>■ Configure multiple copies as part of a Vault duplication job. See <a href="#">“Creating a Vault policy”</a> on page 752.</li> <li>■ Configure multiple copies as part of a disk staging storage unit duplication job. See <a href="#">“Configuring multiple copies in a relocation schedule”</a> on page 518.</li> <li>■ Configure a storage lifecycle policy that contains multiple duplication or replication operations. See <a href="#">“Hierarchical view of storage operations in the Storage lifecycle policy dialog box”</a> on page 546.</li> <li>■ Use the <code>bpduplicate</code> command line to create multiple copies.</li> <li>■ Run a duplication operation from the <b>Catalog</b> node in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>. See <a href="#">“Duplicating backup images”</a> on page 854.</li> </ul> <p>The <b>Maximum backup copies</b> property limits the number of coexisting copies of an image that can be created by any of the above operations.</p> <p>For example, consider the situation in which the maximum number of copies is reached, but eventually one or more of those copies expires. If at least one copy of the image still exists to be used as a source copy, then any of the above duplication operations can create more copies again, to take the place of the expired copies.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If a copy of a backup image is sent to a different master server domain, none of the copies at the remote domain count against the <b>Maximum backup copies</b> limit. Copies of backup images can be sent to a different NetBackup domain by using Auto Image Replication.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About NetBackup Auto Image Replication”</a> on page 872.</p>
<b>Compress catalog interval</b>	<p>This property specifies how long NetBackup waits after a backup before it compresses the image catalog file.</p>

Table 3-39 Global Attributes dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Maximum vault jobs	<p>This property specifies the maximum number of vault jobs that are allowed to be active on the master server. The greater the maximum number of vault jobs, the more system resources are used.</p> <p>If the active vault jobs limit is reached, subsequent vault jobs are queued and their status is shown as Queued in the Activity Monitor.</p> <p>If a duplication job or eject job waits, its status is shown as Active in the Activity Monitor.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">About the Jobs tab</a>” on page 904.</p>
Administrator email address property	<p>This property specifies the address(es) where NetBackup sends notifications of scheduled backups or administrator-directed manual backups.</p> <p>To send the information to more than one administrator, separate multiple email addresses by using a comma, as follows:</p> <p><i>useraccount1@company.com,useraccount2@company.com</i></p> <p>Disaster recovery information that is created during online, hot catalog backups is not sent to the addresses indicated here. Disaster recovery information is sent to the address that is indicated on the <b>Disaster Recovery</b> tab in the catalog backup policy.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Disaster Recovery tab</a>” on page 749.</p>

## About constraints on the number of concurrent jobs

Specify any number of concurrent jobs within the following constraints.

Table 3-40 Constraints on concurrent jobs

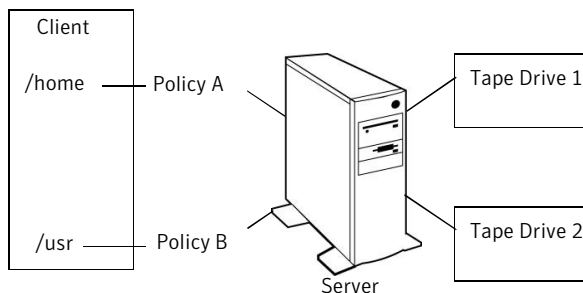
Constraint	Description
Number of storage devices	<p>NetBackup can perform concurrent backups to separate storage units or to drives within a storage unit. For example, a single Media Manager storage unit supports as many concurrent backups as it has drives. A disk storage unit is a directory on disk, so the maximum number of jobs depends on system capabilities.</p>



**Table 3-40** Constraints on concurrent jobs (*continued*)

Constraint	Description
Server and client speed	<p>Too many concurrent backups on an individual client interfere with the performance of the client. The best setting depends on the hardware, operating system, and applications that are running.</p> <p>The <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> property applies to all clients in all policies.</p> <p>To accommodate weaker clients (ones that can handle only a small number of jobs concurrently), consider using one of the following approaches:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Set the <b>Maximum data streams</b> property for those weaker client(s) appropriately. (This property is found under <b>Host Properties &gt; Master Server &gt; Client Attributes &gt; General</b> tab.) See <a href="#">“General tab of the Client Attributes properties”</a> on page 89.</li> <li>■ Use the <b>Limit jobs per policy</b> policy setting in a client-specific policy. (A client-specific policy is one in which all clients share this characteristic). See <a href="#">“Limit jobs per policy (policy attribute)”</a> on page 624.</li> </ul>
Network loading	<p>The available bandwidth of the network affects how many backups can occur concurrently. Two Exabyte 8500, 8mm tape drives can create up to a 900-kilobyte-per-second network load. Depending on other factors, the load might be too much for a single Ethernet. For loading problems, consider backups over multiple networks or compression.</p> <p>A special case exists to back up a client that is also a server. Network loading is not a factor because the network is not used. Client and server loading, however, is still a factor.</p>

**Figure 3-33** Maximum jobs per client



**Note:** Online, hot catalog backups can run concurrently with other backups. To do so, for the master server, set the **Maximum jobs per client** value to greater than two. The higher setting ensures that the catalog backup can proceed while the regular backup activity occurs.

## Setting up email notifications about backups

Email notifications can be sent to the client's administrator or to the global administrator, specifying that a backup was successful or unsuccessful.

The following represents the contents of a notification email:

```
Backup on client hostname by root was partially successful.  
File list  
-----  
C:\Documents and Settings
```

Before notification emails about backups are sent, the computing environment must be configured correctly.

NetBackup uses the mail transfer agent `sendmail` to send email notifications. Install `sendmail` from the following Web site and configure your environment accordingly:

<http://www.sendmail.org/releases>

To set up email notifications about backups, choose one or both of the following notification methods:

- Send emails about failed backups only.  
Send a message to the email address(es) of the NetBackup administrator(s) about any backup that ends in a non-zero status. (**Server sends mail** host property is enabled in **Universal Settings**.)
- Send emails about successful and failed backups.  
Send a message to the local administrator(s) of each client about successful and unsuccessful backups. (**Client sends mail** host property is enabled in **Universal Settings**.)

Both methods require that the host properties be configured with email addresses:

- See “[Sending email notifications to the administrator about unsuccessful backups](#)” on page 151.
- See “[Sending messages to the global administrator about unsuccessful backups](#)” on page 151.
- See “[Sending messages to the administrator about successful and unsuccessful backups](#)” on page 152.

See “[About constraints on the number of concurrent jobs](#)” on page 148.

## Sending email notifications to the administrator about unsuccessful backups

Use the following procedure to send email notifications to a client's administrator only if the backups have a non-zero status.

### To send email notifications to the administrator for backups with a non-zero status

- 1 On the master server, in the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers**.
- 2 In the right pane, double-click the master server you want to modify.
- 3 In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click **Universal Settings**.
- 4 In the **Client administrator's email** field, enter the email address of the administrator to receive the notification emails. (Separate multiple addresses with commas.)  
See ["Universal Settings properties"](#) on page 218.
- 5 Enable the **Server sends mail** option and click **Apply**.

## Sending messages to the global administrator about unsuccessful backups

Use the following procedure to send messages to the global administrator about backups with a non-zero status.

### To send messages to the global administrator about backups with a non-zero status

- 1 On the master server, open the **NetBackup Administration Console**.
- 2 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Server**.
- 3 In the right pane, double-click the master server you want to modify.
- 4 Open the host properties of the master server.

- 5 In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click **Global Attributes**.
- 6 In the **Administrator's email address** field, enter the email address of the administrator to receive the notification emails. (Separate multiple addresses with commas.) Click **Apply**.

The global administrator's email address can also be changed by using the `bpconfig` command on the master server:

```
Install_Path\NetBackup\bin\admincmd\bpconfig -ma email_address
```

For example:

```
C:\Program Files\VERITAS\NetBackup\bin\admincmd\bpconfig  
-ma name@company.com
```

## Sending messages to the administrator about successful and unsuccessful backups

An alternative to sending all emails through the master server is to send emails through each client. An email can be sent to each client's administrator after all backups.

**To send email notifications for all backups from a client**

- 1 On the master server, open the **NetBackup Administration Console**.
- 2 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Clients**.
- 3 In the right pane, double-click the client you want to modify. Multiple clients can also be selected.
- 4 In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, select **Universal Settings**.
- 5 In the **Client administrator's email** field, enter the email address of the administrator to receive the notification emails. (Separate multiple addresses with commas.)

See "[Universal Settings properties](#)" on page 218.

- 6 Enable the **Client sends mail** option and click **Apply**.

## Logging properties

The **Logging** properties apply to the master servers, media servers, and clients that are currently selected. The available properties differ between master servers, media servers, and clients.

The **Logging** properties contain the processes that continue to use legacy logging as well as processes that use unified logging.

Table 3-41      Logging types

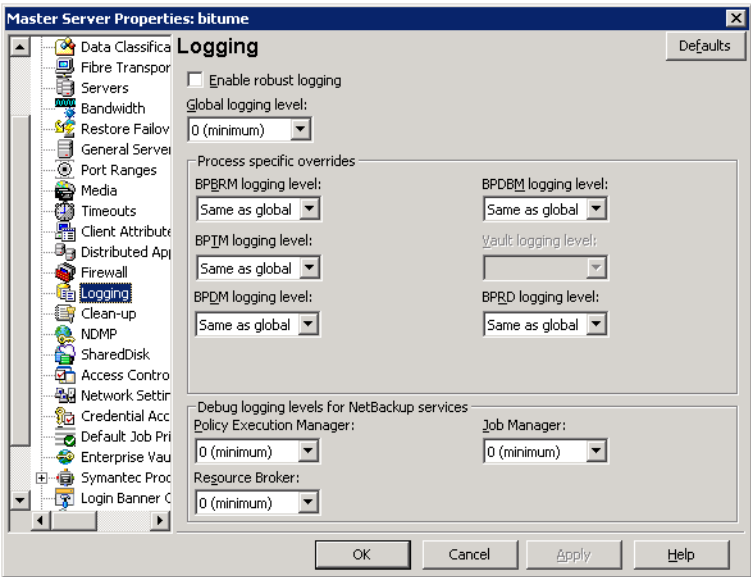
Type	Description
Unified logging	<p>Unified logging creates log file names and messages in a format that is standardized across Symantec products. Some NetBackup processes on the server use unified logging.</p> <p>Unified logging writes the logs into subdirectories in the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ UNIX: <code>/usr/opensv/logs</code></li><li>■ Windows: <code>install_path\NetBackup\logs</code></li></ul> <p>Unlike legacy logging, subdirectories for the processes that use unified logging are created automatically.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Do not save logs to a remote file system such as NFS or CIFS. Logs that are stored remotely and then grow large can cause critical performance issues.</p> <p>If <b>Enable robust Logging</b> is enabled, NetBackup uses the settings in the <code>nblog.conf</code> file as the unified logging settings.</p> <p>The maximum size of a log file is set by using the NetBackup command <code>vxlogcfg</code> with parameters <code>NumberOfLogFiles</code> and <code>MaxLogFileSizeKB</code>.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Do not edit the <code>nblog.conf</code> file manually.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i> for more information on controlling the log file size.</p> <p>If a NetBackup environment uses scripts depending on the <code>MMDDYY.log</code> naming convention, either update the scripts or uncheck <b>Enable robust Logging</b>.</p>

Table 3-41      Logging types (continued)

Type	Description
Legacy logging	<p>For those processes that use legacy logging, administrators must first create a log directory for each process to be logged. A logging level selection on the <b>Logging</b> properties page does not enable logging.</p> <p>Create the NetBackup legacy log directories in the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ UNIX: <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/process_name</code></li><li>■ Windows: <code>install_path\NetBackup\logs\process_name</code></li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Do not save logs to a remote file system such as NFS or CIFS. Logs that are stored remotely and then grow large can cause critical performance issues.</p> <p>On a Windows server, you can create all of the NetBackup debug log directories at one time by double-clicking <code>mklogdir.bat</code> in the following directory:</p> <p><code>install_path\NetBackup\logs\</code></p> <p>Create the Media Manager legacy log directories in the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ UNIX: <code>/usr/opensv/volmgr/debug</code></li><li>■ Windows: <code>install_path\Volmgr\debug</code></li></ul>

For details on both unified and legacy logging, see the *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide*.

Figure 3-34      Logging dialog box



The **Logging** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-42      Logging dialog box properties

Property	Description
Enable robust logging	<p>A check in the <b>Enable robust logging</b> check box indicates that when a log file grows to the maximum size, the log file is closed. When the log file is closed, a new log file is opened. If the new log file causes the maximum number of log files in the directory to be exceeded, the oldest log file is deleted.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i> for more information about controlling the log file size.</p> <p>If this property is enabled, the following processes produce log files:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ bprd</li><li>■ bpbkar</li><li>■ bpbrm</li><li>■ bpcd</li><li>■ bpdbm</li><li>■ bptm</li><li>■ bpdm</li></ul> <p>The logs are named using the following convention:</p> <p><i>MMDDYY_NNNNN.log</i></p> <p>where <i>NNNNN</i> is an incrementing counter from 00001 - 99999</p> <p>If the <b>Enable robust logging</b> property is disabled, a single log file is produced each day:</p> <p><i>MMDDYY.log</i></p> <p>Whether <b>Enable robust logging</b> is selected or not, the log file is pruned by using <code>KEEP_LOGS_DAYS</code> and <code>DAYS_TO_KEEP_LOGS</code> settings.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If a NetBackup environment uses scripts depending on the <i>MMDDYY.log</i> naming convention, either update the scripts or disable the <b>Enable robust logging</b> option.</p>
Global logging level	<p>This property is used for debugging purposes. The logging levels control the amount of information that the NetBackup server writes to logs. Six levels are supported. Select from between <b>0</b> (minimum logging level) through <b>5</b> (maximum logging level).</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Use the default setting of 0 unless advised otherwise by Symantec Technical Support. Other settings can cause the logs to accumulate large amounts of information.</p> <p>Some NetBackup processes allow individual control over the amount of information the process writes to logs. For those processes, specify a different logging level other than the <b>Global logging level</b>.</p>



Table 3-42 Logging dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Process specific overrides</b>	<p>The services that are listed under <b>Process specific overrides</b> use legacy logging. These services require that you first create a log directory in the following location:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ UNIX: <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/process_name</code></li> <li>■ Windows: <code>install_path\NetBackup\logs\process_name</code></li> </ul> <p><a href="#">Table 3-43</a> lists and describes the processes that use legacy logging.</p>
<b>Debug logging levels for NetBackup services</b>	<p>The <b>Logging</b> properties page offers configurable debug levels for the services that use unified logging.</p> <p>Each service creates a log automatically in the following directories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ UNIX: <code>/usr/opensv/logs</code></li> <li>■ Windows: <code>install_path\NetBackup\logs</code></li> </ul> <p>You can also use the <code>vxlogcfg</code> command to change debug levels.</p> <p><a href="#">Table 3-44</a> lists and describes the services that use unified logging.</p>

Table 3-43 Process specific overrides

Service	Description
<b>BPBRM logging level</b>	The NetBackup backup and restore manager.
<b>BPTM logging level</b>	The NetBackup tape manager.
<b>BPDM logging level</b>	The NetBackup disk manager.
<b>BPDBM logging level</b>	The NetBackup database manager.
<b>Vault logging level</b>	Select a logging level for <code>bpvault</code> .
<b>BPRD logging level</b>	The NetBackup request daemon or manager.

Table 3-44            Debug logging levels for NetBackup services

Service	Description
Policy Execution Manager	This property appears for EMM servers. NBPEM creates Policy/Client tasks and determines when jobs are due to run. If a policy is modified or if an image expires, NBPEM is notified and the appropriate Policy/Client tasks are updated.
Job Manager	This property appears for EMM servers. NBJM accepts the jobs that the Policy Execution Manager submits and acquires the necessary resources.
Resource Broker	NBRB makes the allocations for storage units, tape drives, client reservations.

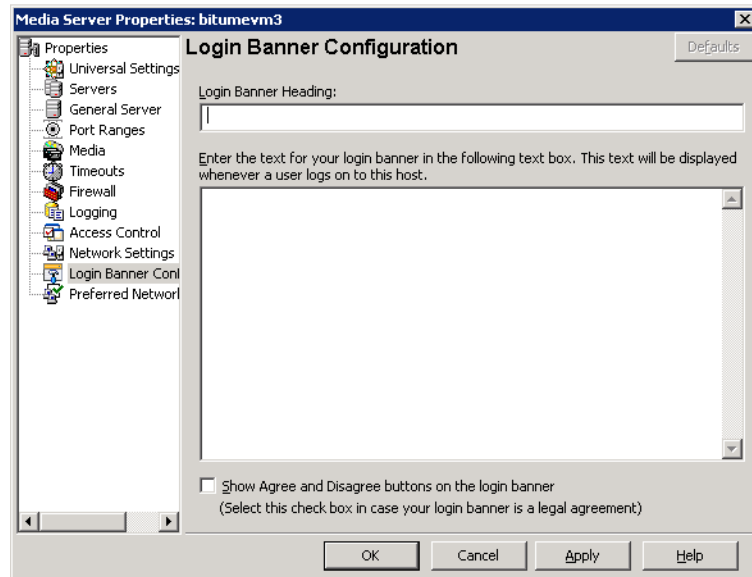
# Login Banner Configuration properties

Use the **Login Banner Configuration** properties to configure a banner screen that appears each time a user logs into the **NetBackup Administration Console** or the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client console. The **Login Banner Configuration** properties can be configured to make it mandatory for the user to acknowledge the login banner screen before the user can access the console.

A different login banner can be configured for any master server, media server, or client.

[Figure 3-35](#) shows example banner text for a media server.

**Figure 3-35** Login Banner Configuration dialog box



The first time that the **NetBackup Administration Console** is launched, the **Login Banner Configuration** properties are not configured so no banner appears to the user. The **Login Banner Configuration** host properties must be configured in order for the banner to appear.

The user can change the server once they log into the console. (On the **File** menu, click **Change Server**.) If the banner is configured for the remote server, the banner appears on the remote server as well.

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**Note:** The banner is not available on NetBackup versions earlier than 6.5.4. If a user changes to a host that is at NetBackup version 6.5.3 or earlier, no banner appears.

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If a user opens a new console or window from the existing console, the banner does not appear for the new window. (On the **File** menu, click the **New Console** option or the **New Window from Here** option.)

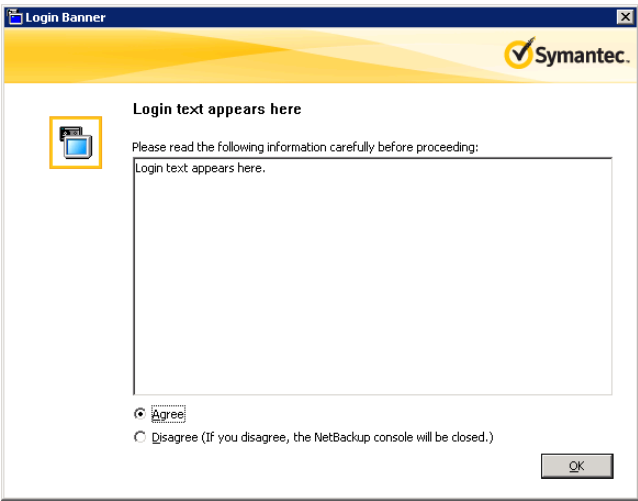
**Table 3-45** Login Banner Configuration dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Login Banner Heading</b>	Enter the text that is to appear in the banner.

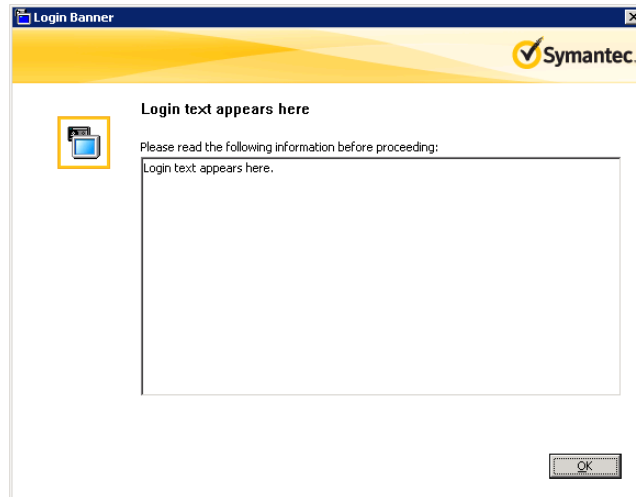
Table 3-45 Login Banner Configuration dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Text of login banner	Enter the text for the banner message. The maximum is 29,000 characters.
Show Agree and Disagree buttons on the login banner	<p>Configure this option when approval is necessary to use the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> or the <b>Backup, Archive, and Restore</b> client console. Specific approval may be required due to a legal agreement at the company in which the NetBackup environment resides.</p> <p>If this option is enabled, users are required to click the <b>Agree</b> option and then click <b>OK</b> before the console opens. The agreement is meant only for the user that reads and agrees to the message.</p> <p>If the user chooses the <b>Disagree</b> option, the screen is closed.</p>

Figure 3-36 Login Banner with agreement option enabled



**Figure 3-37** Login Banner without agreement option



## Removing login banner screen and text

To remove the banner and the text that appears after a user logs into NetBackup, use the following procedure:

### To remove the login banner screen and text

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**.
- 2 Depending on the host that displays the login banner, select **Master Servers**, **Media Servers**, or **Clients**.
- 3 In the right pane, double-click the host name to display the properties.
- 4 In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click the **Login Banner Configuration** host properties.
- 5 Clear the **Login Banner Heading** text and the login banner text.
- 6 Click **OK** to save the changes.

## Enabling the Auto log off timeout option

A related option, but one not configured in the **Login Banner Configuration** host properties, is the **Auto log off timeout** option.

The **Auto log off timeout** option allows NetBackup to automatically log a user out of the **NetBackup Administration Console** after a period of inactivity. The session

must be inactive for the configurable number of minutes, hours, or days before the logoff.

**To enable the Auto log off timeout option**

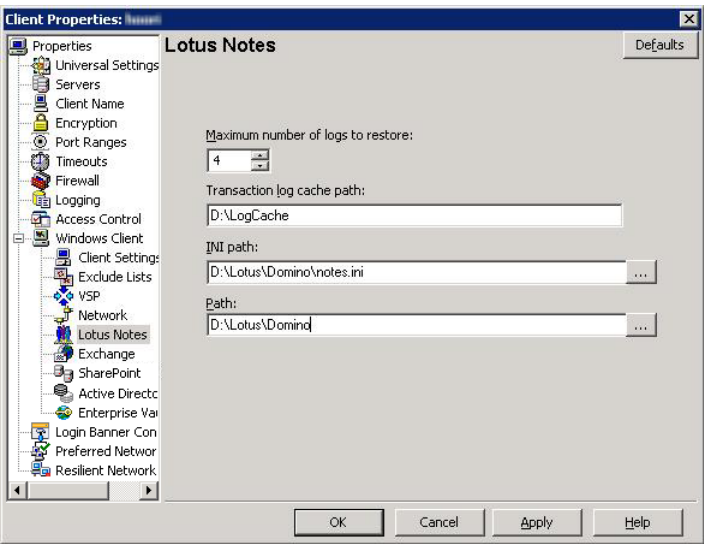
- 1 Select **View > Options**. Then select the **Administrative Options** tab.
- 2 Check the **Auto log off timeout** option.
- 3 Select the duration after which the user is logged off from an inactive session. The minimum logoff duration is 10 minutes and the maximum is two days.  
Five minutes before the timeout value is reached, NetBackup warns that the session is to expire in five minutes.
- 4 If the logoff warning appears, the user can choose one of the following options:
  - **Ignore**  
If the user selects this option (or does not respond to the warning), a dialog box displays the time that remains before the session ends. Countdown warnings display every minute until the timeout value is reached. When the session ends, the user is logged out of the **NetBackup Administration Console** or the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client console.
  - **Extend**  
If the user selects this option, the session continues and the timeout extends by the logoff timeout value.  
If the user begins to work at the console again, the logoff is canceled until the console is left idle again.
  - **Log off**  
If the user selects this option, the session ends and NetBackup logs off the user immediately.

## Lotus Notes properties

The **Lotus Notes** properties apply to the clients that are currently selected and that run NetBackup for Lotus Notes.

For more information, see the *NetBackup for Lotus Notes Administrator's Guide*.

Figure 3-38 Lotus Notes dialog box



The following properties can be configured in the **NetBackup Administration Console**, the `bp.conf` or the Windows registry.

For UNIX or Linux servers: If you have multiple installations of Domino server, the values in the client properties or the `bp.conf` only apply to one installation. For other installations, specify the installation path and location of the `notes.ini` file with the `LOTUS_INSTALL_PATH` and `NOTES_INI_PATH` directives in the backup policy.

Table 3-46 Lotus Notes client host properties

Client host properties	Windows registry and bp.conf entries	Description
Maximum number of logs to restore	LOTUS_NOTES_LOGCACHESIZE  In the Windows registry, this value is a DWORD value.	The maximum number of logs that can be prefetched in a single restore job during recovery. Specify a value greater than 1.  If this value is less than or equal to 1, NetBackup does not gather transaction logs during recovery. One transaction log extent per job is restored to the Domino server's log directory.  LOTUS_NOTES_LOGCACHESIZE = 3

**Table 3-46** Lotus Notes client host properties (*continued*)

Client host properties	Windows registry and bp.conf entries	Description
<b>Transaction log cache path</b>	<p>LOTUS_NOTES_LOGCACHEPATH</p> <p>In the Windows registry, this value is a string value.</p>	<p>Specify a path where NetBackup can temporarily store the prefetched transaction logs during recovery.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ UNIX: /tmp/logcache</li> <li>■ Windows: D:\LogCache</li> </ul> <p>If you do not specify a path, during recovery NetBackup restores the logs to the Domino server's transaction log directory.</p> <p>Note the following before specifying the <b>Transaction log cache path</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If the specified path does not exist then it is created during restore.</li> <li>■ The restore job fails with a Status 5 error if the user does not have write permission for the folder.</li> <li>■ Transaction logs are restored to the original location, the Domino transaction log directory, if a path is not specified.</li> <li>■ If the value of <b>Maximum number of logs to restore</b> is less than or equal to 1 then this path is ignored. The logs are not prefetched; one transaction log per job is restored to the Domino Server's log directory.</li> <li>■ If there is not sufficient space to restore the specified number of logs, NetBackup tries to restore only the number of logs that can be accommodated.</li> </ul>
<b>INI path</b>	<p>LOTUS_NOTES_INI</p> <p>In the Windows registry, this value is a string value.</p>	<p>Enter the NOTES.INI file that is associated with the server used to back up and restore the Lotus database. Use this setting to specify the correct .INI file to back up and restore from Domino partitioned servers. Specifying the .INI file for non-partitioned servers is not necessary.</p> <p>Specify the absolute path to the NOTES.INI file:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Windows: If the notes.ini file is not located in the default directory, indicate its location in the INI path box. For example: D:\Lotus\Domino\notes.ini</li> <li>■ UNIX: If the notes.ini is not located in the directory that is specified in the Path, indicate its location here. For example: /db/notesdata/notes.ini</li> </ul> <p>Include the directory and the notes.ini file name.</p>



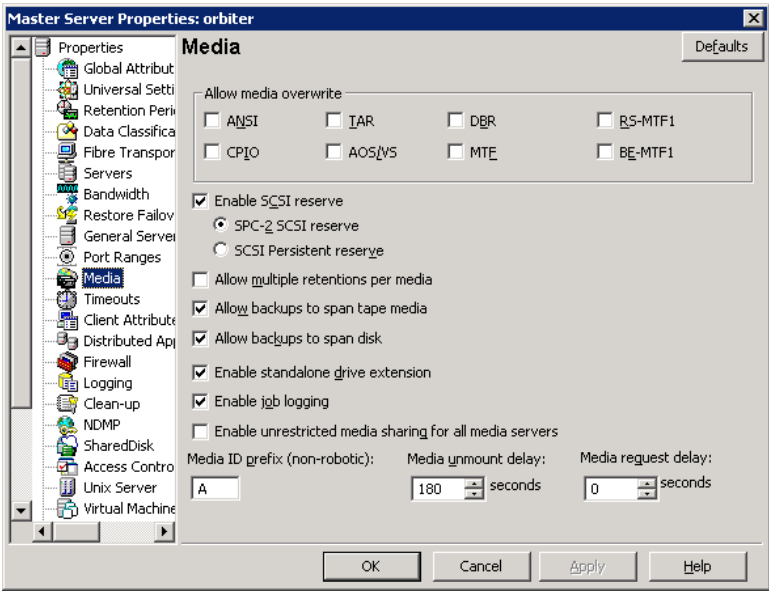
Table 3-46 Lotus Notes client host properties (continued)

Client host properties	Windows registry and bp.conf entries	Description
Path	<p>LOTUS_NOTES_PATH</p> <p>In the Windows registry, this value is a string value.</p>	<p>Specify the path where the Lotus Notes program files reside on the client. NetBackup must know where these files are to perform backup and restore operations. The value in this box overrides the Lotus registry key, if both are defined.</p> <p>Specify the path where the Lotus Notes program files reside on the client:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Windows: Specify the path for Lotus program directory (where nserver.exe resides). For example: D:\Lotus\Domino</li><li>■ UNIX: Specify a path that includes the Domino data directory, the Lotus program directory, and the Lotus resource directory. For example: /export/home/notesdata:/opt/lotus/notes/latest /sunspa:/opt/lotus/notes/latest/sunspa/res/C</li></ul> <p>The <b>Path</b> value overrides the Lotus registry value, if both are defined.</p>

## Media properties

The **Media** properties apply to the master servers and media servers that are currently selected. **Media** properties control how NetBackup manages media.

**Figure 3-39** Media dialog box



The **Media** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-47** Media dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Allow media overwrite property</b>	<p>This property overrides the NetBackup overwrite protection for specific media types. Normally, NetBackup does not overwrite certain media types. To disable overwrite protection, place a check in the check box of one or more of the listed media formats.</p> <p>For example, place a check in the CPIO check box to permit NetBackup to overwrite the cpio format.</p> <p>By default, NetBackup does not overwrite any of the formats on removable media, and logs an error if an overwrite attempt occurs. This format recognition requires that the first variable length block on a media be less than or equal to 32 kilobytes.</p> <p>The following media formats on removable media can be selected to be overwritten:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ When ANSI is enabled, ANSI labeled media can be overwritten.</li> <li>■ When AOS/VS is enabled, AOS/VS media can be overwritten. (Data General AOS/VS backup format.)</li> <li>■ When CPIO is enabled, CPIO media can be overwritten.</li> <li>■ When DBR is enabled, DBR media can be overwritten. (The DBR backup format is no longer used.)</li> <li>■ Remote Storage MTF1 media format. When MTF1 is enabled, Remote Storage MTF1 media format can be overwritten.</li> <li>■ When TAR is enabled, TAR media can be overwritten.</li> <li>■ When MTF is enabled, MTF media can be overwritten. With only MTF checked, all other MTF formats can be overwritten. (The exception is Backup Exec MTF (BE-MTF1) and Remote Storage MTF (RS-MTF1) media formats, which are not overwritten.</li> <li>■ When BE-MTF1 is enabled, Backup Exec MTF media can be overwritten.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“Results when media overwrites are not permitted”</a> on page 170.</p>

Table 3-47 Media dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Enable SCSI reserve</b>	<p>This property allows exclusive access protection for tape drives. With access protection, other host bus adaptors cannot issue commands to control the drives during the reservation.</p> <p>SCSI reservations provide protection for NetBackup Shared Storage Option environments or any other multiple-initiator environment in which drives are shared.</p> <p>The protection setting configures access protection for all tape drives from the media server on which the option is configured. You can override the media server setting for any drive path from that media server.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Recommended use for Enable SCSI reserve property”</a> on page 171.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Drive path options”</a> on page 352.</p> <p>The following are the protection options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The <b>SCSI persistent reserve</b> option provides SCSI persistent reserve protection for SCSI devices. The devices must conform to the SCSI Primary Commands - 3 (SPC-3) standard. SCSI persistent reserve is valid for NetBackup 6.5 and later servers only. If you enable SCSI persistent reserve, NetBackup does not send persistent reserve commands to NetBackup media servers earlier than release 6.5.</li> <li>■ The <b>SPC-2 SCSI reserve</b> option (default) provides SPC-2 SCSI reserve protection for SCSI devices. The devices must conform to the reserve and release management method in the SCSI Primary Commands - 2 standard.</li> <li>■ To operate NetBackup without tape drive access protection, clear the <b>Enable SCSI reserve</b> property. If unchecked, other HBAs can send the commands that may cause a loss of data to tape drives.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Ensure that all of your hardware processes SCSI persistent reserve commands correctly. All of your hardware includes Fibre Channel bridges. If the hardware does not process SCSI persistent reserve commands correctly and NetBackup is configured to use SCSI persistent reserve, no protection may exist.</p>
<b>Allow multiple retentions per media</b>	<p>This property allows NetBackup to mix retention levels on tape volumes. It applies to media in both robotic drives and nonrobotic drives. The default is that the check box is clear and each volume can contain backups of only a single retention level.</p>
<b>Allow backups to span tape media</b>	<p>This property, when checked, allows backups to span to multiple tape media. This property allows NetBackup to select another volume to begin the next fragment. The resulting backup has data fragments on more than one volume. The default is that <b>Allow backups to span tape media</b> is checked and backups are allowed to span media.</p> <p>If the end of media is encountered and this property is not selected, the media is set to FULL and the operation terminates abnormally. This action applies to both robotic drives and nonrobotic drives.</p>

Table 3-47 Media dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Allow backups to span disk</b>	<p>This property allows backups to span disk volumes when one disk volume becomes full. The default is that this property is enabled.</p> <p>The <b>Allow backups to span disk</b> property does not apply to AdvancedDisk or OpenStorage storage units. Backups span disk volumes within disk pools automatically.</p> <p>The following destinations support disk spanning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ A BasicDisk storage unit spanning to a BasicDisk storage unit. The units must be within a storage unit group.</li> <li>■ An OpenStorage or AdvancedDisk volume spanning to another volume in the disk pool.</li> </ul> <p>For disk spanning to occur, the following conditions must be met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The storage units must share the same media server.</li> <li>■ The multiplexing level on spanning storage units should be the same. If there are any differences, the level on the target unit can be higher. See <a href="#">“Enable multiplexing storage unit setting”</a> on page 499.</li> <li>■ A disk staging storage unit cannot span to another storage unit. Also, a disk staging storage unit is not eligible as a target for disk spanning.</li> <li>■ Disk spanning is not supported on NFS.</li> </ul>
<b>Enable standalone drive extension</b>	<p>This property allows NetBackup to use whatever labeled or unlabeled media is found in a nonrobotic drive. The default is that the <b>Enable standalone drive extension</b> property is enabled.</p>
<b>Enable job logging</b>	<p>This property allows the logging of the job information. This logging is the same information that the NetBackup Activity Monitor uses. The default is that job logging occurs.</p>
<b>Enable unrestricted media sharing for all media servers</b>	<p>This property controls media sharing, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Enable this property to allow all NetBackup media servers and NDMP hosts in the NetBackup environment to share media for writing. Do not configure server groups for media sharing.</li> <li>■ Clear this property to restrict media sharing to specific server groups. Then configure media server groups and backup policies to use media sharing.</li> <li>■ Clear this property to disable media sharing. Do not configure media server groups.</li> </ul> <p>The default is that media sharing is disabled. (The property is cleared and no server groups are configured.)</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About server groups”</a> on page 309.</p>

Table 3-47 Media dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Media ID prefix (non-robotic)	<p>This property specifies the media ID prefix to use in media IDs when the unlabeled media is in nonrobotic drives. The prefix must be one to three alpha-numeric characters. NetBackup appends numeric characters. By default, NetBackup uses A and assigns media IDs such as A00000, A00001, and so on.</p> <p>For example, if FEB is specified, NetBackup appends the remaining numeric characters. The assigned media IDs become FEB000, FEB001, and so on. (Note that this numbering does not work with the Configure Volumes wizard).</p>
Media unmount delay	<p>To specify a <b>Media unmount delay</b> property indicates that the unloading of media is delayed after the requested operation is complete. Media unmount delay applies only to user operations, to include backups and restores of database agent clients, such as those running NetBackup for Oracle. The delay reduces unnecessary media unmounts and the positioning of media in cases where the media is requested again a short time later.</p> <p>The delay can range from 0 seconds to 1800 seconds. The default is 180 seconds. If you specify 0, the media unmount occurs immediately upon completion of the requested operation. Values greater than 1800 are set to 1800.</p>
Media request delay	<p>This property specifies how long NetBackup waits for media in nonrobotic drives. A configurable delay is useful if a gravity feed stacker is used on a nonrobotic drive. A delay often exists between dismounting one media and mounting another. The default is 0 seconds.</p> <p>During the delay period, NetBackup checks every 60 seconds to see if the drive is ready. If the drive is ready, NetBackup uses it. Otherwise, NetBackup waits another 60 seconds and checks again. If the total delay is not a multiple of 60, the last wait is the remainder. If the delay is less than 60 seconds, NetBackup checks after the end of the delay.</p> <p>For example, set the delay to 150 seconds. NetBackup waits 60 seconds, checks for ready, waits 60 seconds, checks for ready, waits 30 seconds, and checks for ready the last time. If the delay was 50 seconds (a short delay is not recommended), NetBackup checks after 50 seconds.</p>

## Results when media overwrites are not permitted

If media contains one of the protected formats and media overwrites are not permitted, NetBackup takes the following actions:

- If the volume has not been previously assigned for a backup
- Sets the volume’s state to FROZEN
  - Selects a different volume
  - Logs an error

If the volume is in the NetBackup media catalog and was previously selected for backups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Sets the volume's state to SUSPENDED</li> <li>■ Aborts the requested backup</li> <li>■ Logs an error</li> </ul>
If the volume is mounted for a backup of the NetBackup catalog	The backup is aborted and an error is logged. The error indicates the volume cannot be overwritten.
If the volume is mounted to restore files or list the media contents	NetBackup aborts the request and logs an error. The error indicates that the volume does not have a NetBackup format.

## Recommended use for Enable SCSI reserve property

All tape drive and bridge vendors support the SPC-2 SCSI reserve and release method. NetBackup has used SPC-2 SCSI reserve since NetBackup 3.4.3, and it is the default tape drive reservation method in NetBackup. SPC-2 SCSI reserve is effective for most NetBackup environments.

The SCSI persistent reserve method provides device status and correction and may be more effective in the following environments:

- Where NetBackup media servers operate in a cluster environment.  
NetBackup can recover and use a reserved drive after a failover (if NetBackup owns the reservation). (With SPC-2 SCSI reserve, the drive must usually be reset because the reservation owner is inoperative.)
- Where the drive has high availability.  
NetBackup can resolve NetBackup drive reservation conflicts and maintain high drive availability. (SPC-2 SCSI reserve provides no method for drive status detection.)

However, the SCSI persistent reserve method is not supported or not supported correctly by all device vendors. Therefore, thoroughly analyze the environment to ensure that all of the hardware supports SCSI persistent reserve correctly.

Symantec recommends careful consideration of all of the following factors before **Enable SCSI reserve** is used:

- Only a limited number of tape drive vendors support SCSI persistent reserve.
- SCSI persistent reserve is not supported or not supported correctly by all Fibre Channel bridge vendors. Incorrect support in a bridge means no access protection. Therefore, if the environment uses bridges, do not use SCSI persistent reserve.
- If parallel SCSI buses are used, carefully consider the use of SCSI persistent reserve. Usually, parallel drives are not shared, so SCSI persistent reserve

protection is not required. Also, parallel drives are usually on a bridge, and bridges do not support SCSI persistent reserve correctly. Therefore, if the environment uses parallel SCSI buses, do not use SCSI persistent reserve.

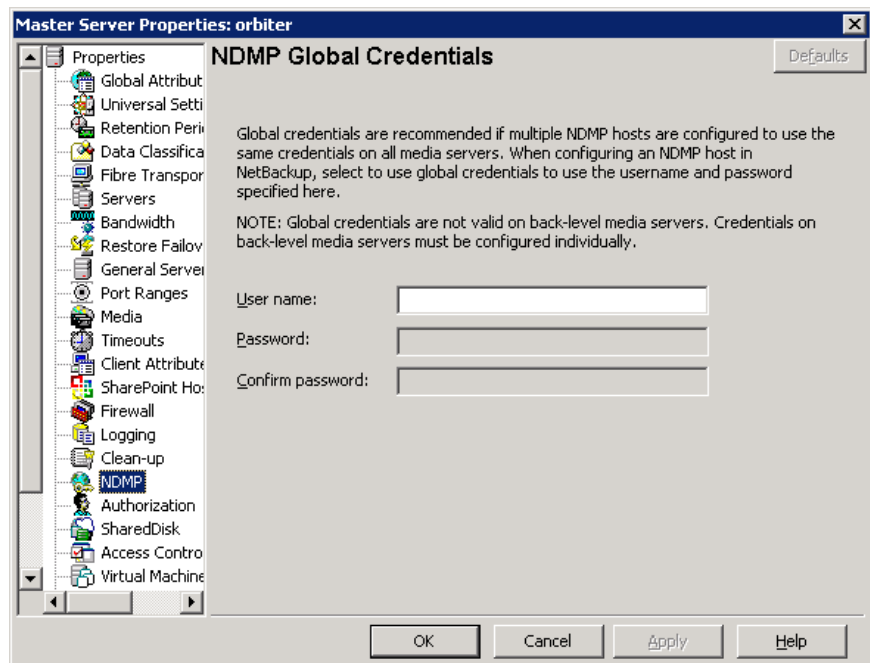
- The operating system tape drivers may require extensive configuration to use SCSI persistent reserve. For example, if the tape drives do not support SPC-3 Compatible Reservation Handling (CRH), ensure that the operating system does not issue SPC-2 reserve and release commands.

If any of the hardware does not support SCSI persistent reserve, Symantec recommends that SCSI persistent reserve is not used.

## NDMP Global Credentials properties

The credentials that are entered for **NDMP Global Credentials** can apply to any NDMP host in the configuration. However, the **Use global NDMP credentials for this NDMP host** option must be selected in the **Add NDMP Host** dialog box for the NDMP host.

Figure 3-40 NDMP Global Credentials dialog box



The **NDMP Global Credentials** properties dialog box contains the following properties.



Table 3-48 NDMP Global Credentials dialog box properties

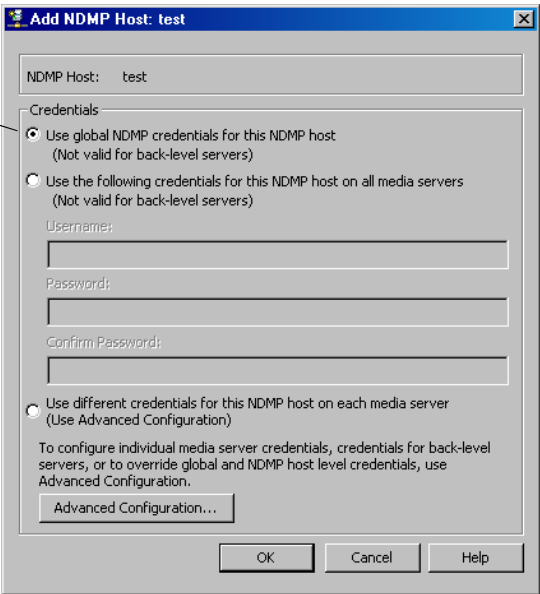
Property	Description
User name	The user name under which NetBackup accesses the NDMP server. This user must have permission to run NDMP commands.
Password	Enter the password.
Confirm password	Re-enter the password.

To access the **Add NDMP Host** dialog box, add an NDMP host under **Media and Device Management > Credentials > NDMP Hosts**.

Figure 3-41 shows the **Add NDMP Host** dialog box. In the **Credentials** section, select **Use global NDMP credentials for this NDMP host** so that the **NDMP Global Credentials** apply to that host.

Figure 3-41 Add NDMP Host dialog box

For NDMP Global Credentials to apply, this must be selected on the NDMP host as well



# NetWare Client properties

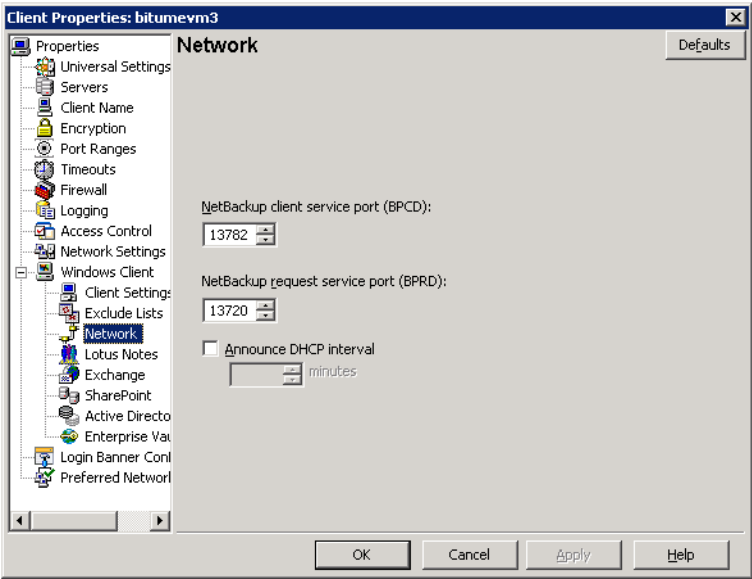
The **Netware Client** properties define NetBackup properties of NetWare clients. **Netware Client** properties include the **Client Settings** for NetWare clients as a subnode:

See “Client Settings properties for NetWare clients” on page 101.

# Network properties

Use the **Network** properties to set the properties that define requirements for communications between clients and the master server. The **Network** properties apply to currently selected Windows clients.

Figure 3-42 Network dialog box



The **Network** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-49 Network dialog box properties

Property	Description
NetBackup client service port (BPCD)	<p>This property specifies the port that the NetBackup client uses to communicate with the NetBackup server. The default is 13782.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If you change this port number, remember that it must be the same for all NetBackup servers and clients that communicate with one another.</p>

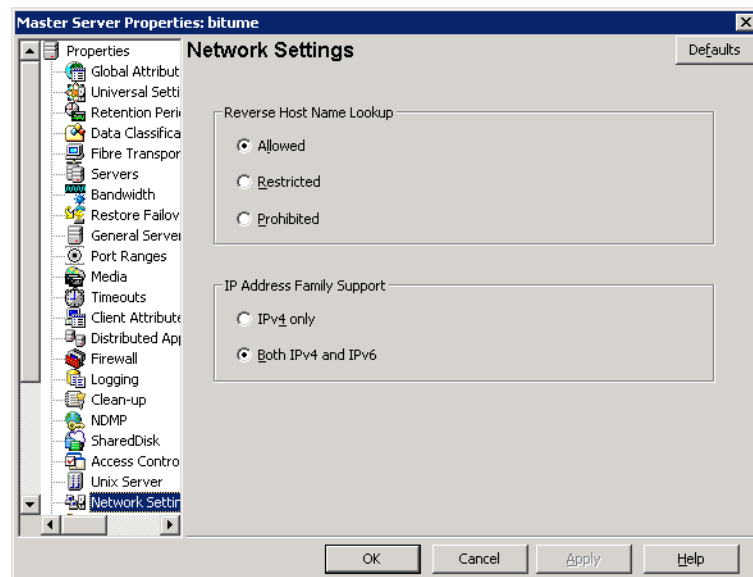
**Table 3-49** Network dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>NetBackup request service port (BPRD)</b>	This property specifies the port for the client to use when it sends requests to the NetBackup request service (bprd process) on the NetBackup server. The default is 13720.  <b>Note:</b> If you change this port number, remember that it must be the same for all NetBackup servers and clients that communicate with one another.
<b>Announce DHCP interval</b>	This property specifies how many minutes the client waits before it announces that a different IP address is to be used. The announcement occurs only if the specified time period has elapsed and the address has changed since the last time the client announced it.

## Network Settings Properties

The **Network Settings** host properties apply to master servers, media servers, and clients.

**Figure 3-43** Network Settings dialog box



The **Network Settings** dialog box contains properties for **Reverse Host Name Lookup** and **IP Address Family Support**.

## Reverse Host Name Lookup property

The domain name system (DNS) reverse host name lookup is used to determine what host and domain name a given IP address indicates.

Some administrators cannot or do not want to configure the DNS server for reverse host name lookup. For these environments, NetBackup offers the **Reverse Host Name Lookup** property to allow, restrict, or prohibit reverse host name lookup.

Administrators can configure the **Reverse Host Name Lookup** property for each host.

**Table 3-50** Reverse Host Name Lookup property settings

Property	Description
Allowed setting	<p>The <b>Allowed</b> property indicates that the host requires reverse host name lookup to work to determine that the connection comes from a recognizable server.</p> <p>By default, the host resolves the IP address of the connecting server to a host name by performing a reverse lookup.</p> <p>If the conversion of the IP address to host name fails, the connection fails.</p> <p>Otherwise, it compares the host name to the list of known server host names. If the comparison fails, the host rejects the server and the connection fails.</p>
Restricted setting	<p>The <b>Restricted</b> property indicates that the NetBackup host first attempts to perform reverse host name lookup. If the NetBackup host successfully resolves the IP address of the connecting server to a host name (reverse lookup is successful), it compares the host name to the list of known server host names.</p> <p>If the resolution of the IP address to a host name fails (reverse lookup fails), based on the <b>Restricted</b> setting, the host converts the host names of the known server list to IP addresses (using a forward lookup). The host compares the IP address of the connecting server to the list of known server IP addresses.</p> <p>If the comparison fails, the host rejects the connection from server and the connection fails.</p>
Prohibited setting	<p>The <b>Prohibited</b> property indicates that the NetBackup host does not try reverse host name lookup at all. The host resolves the host names of the known server list to IP addresses using forward lookups.</p> <p>The NetBackup host then compares the IP address of the connecting server to the list of known server IP addresses.</p> <p>If the comparison fails, the NetBackup host rejects the connection from the server and the connection fails.</p>

## Reverse Host Name Lookup changes outside of the Administration Console

In some cases, a master server may not be able to view the host properties of a media server or client in the **NetBackup Administration Console**. The NetBackup customer's DNS reverse host name lookup configuration may be one possible reason why the host properties may not be visible.

In this case, since changing the NetBackup **Reverse Host Name Lookup** host property involves being able to view the host properties, you'll need to use another method to change it. Add the `REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP` entry to the `bp.conf` file (UNIX) or to the Windows registry.

The `REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP` entry uses the following format:

```
REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP = ALLOWED | RESTRICTED | PROHIBITED
```

For example:

```
REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP = PROHIBITED
```

The values of `ALLOWED`, `RESTRICTED`, and `PROHIBITED` represent the same meaning as the values in the **Network Settings** host properties.

## Setting the REVERSE\_NAME\_LOOKUP property on UNIX hosts

To set the **Reverse Host Name Lookup** property on a UNIX system outside of the **NetBackup Administration Console**, manually add the `REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP` entry to the `bp.conf` file on the master server, media server, or client.

To set the `REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP` property on UNIX hosts, use one of the following methods:

- On master and media servers  
Use the `bpsetconfig` command to add the entry. The `bpsetconfig` command is described in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.
- On UNIX clients  
Edit the `bp.conf` directly to add the entry.

## Setting the REVERSE\_NAME\_LOOKUP property on Windows hosts

On master and media servers, the `bpsetconfig` command is available to add the `REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP` entry to the registry. The `bpsetconfig` command is described in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

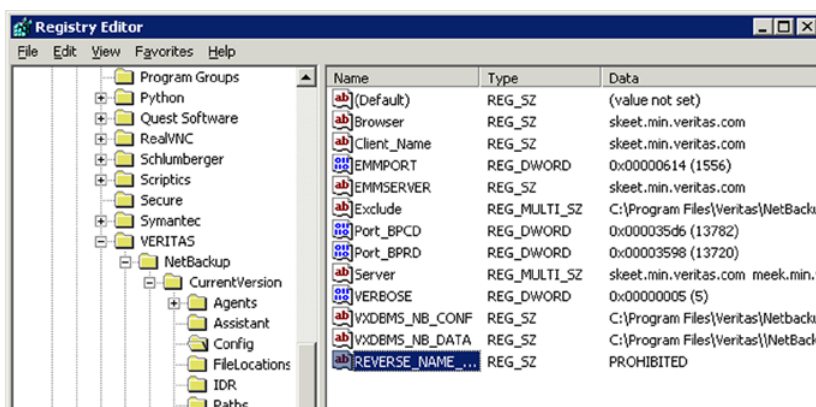
To set the **Reverse Host Name Lookup** property on a Windows client, add the `REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP` entry to the registry using the following method.

### To set the Reverse Host Name Lookup property on a Windows client

- 1 From the command line, run `regedit` to open the registry editor.
- 2 Navigate to the following key directory:

```
My Computer\HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\VERITAS\
NetBackup\CurrentVersion\Config
```

- 3 On the **Edit** menu, click **New > String Value**.
- 4 Name the String Value: `REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP`.
- 5 Give `REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP` the value data of either `PROHIBITED`, `RESTRICTED`, or `ALLOWED`.
- 6 Click **OK** and close the registry editor .



## IP Address Family Support property

On hosts that use both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses, use the **IP Address Family Support** property to indicate which address family to use:

- **IPv4 only** (Default)
- **Both IPv4 and IPv6**

Upon installation or upgrade to NetBackup version 7.1, NetBackup defaults to IPv4. If any of the master servers do not support IPv4, NetBackup uses the configuration that supports both IPv4 and IPv6.

While the **IP Address Family Support** property controls how hostnames are resolved to IP addresses, the **Preferred Network** properties control how NetBackup uses the addresses.

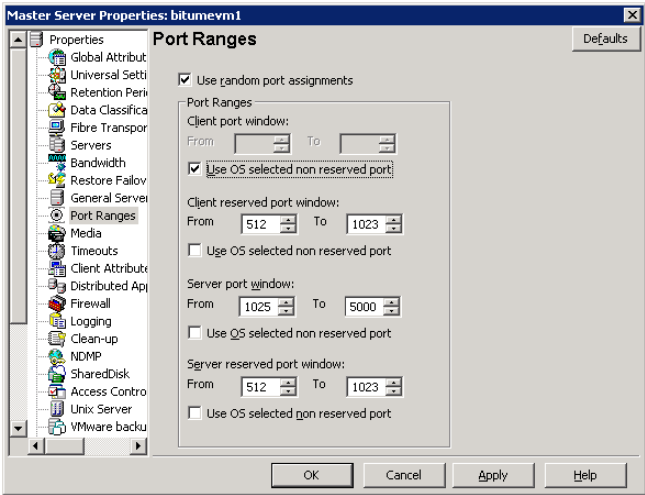
See “[IP\\_ADDRESS\\_FAMILY bp.conf entry for UNIX servers](#)” on page 255.

See “[Preferred Network properties](#)” on page 180.

## Port Ranges properties

Use the **Port Ranges** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to determine how hosts connect to one another. These properties apply to selected master servers, media servers, and clients.

Figure 3-44 Port Ranges dialog box



The **Port Ranges** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-51 Port Ranges dialog box properties

Property	Description
Use random port assignments	<p>Specifies how the selected computer chooses a port when it communicates with NetBackup on other computers. Enable this property to let NetBackup randomly select ports from those that are free in the allowed range. For example, if the range is from 1023 through 5000, it chooses randomly from the numbers in this range.</p> <p>If this property is not enabled, NetBackup chooses numbers sequentially, not randomly. NetBackup starts with the highest number that is available in the allowed range. For example, if the range is from 1023 through 5000, NetBackup chooses 5000. If 5000 is in use, port 4999 is chosen.</p> <p>This property is enabled by default.</p>

Table 3-51 Port Ranges dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Client port window	Lets the administrator define the range of non-reserved ports on the selected computer. NetBackup can use any available port within this range to communicate with NetBackup on another computer.
Use OS selected non reserved port	Lets the operating system determine which non-reserved port to use.
Client reserved port window	This property no longer applies to NetBackup 7.0.1 and later. For information about this property, refer to documentation from a previous release.
Server port window	This property no longer applies to NetBackup 7.0.1 and later. For information about this property, refer to documentation from a previous release.
Server reserved port window	This property no longer applies NetBackup 7.0.1 and later. For information about this property, refer to documentation from a previous release.

## Registered ports and dynamically-allocated ports

NetBackup communicates between computers by using a combination of registered ports and dynamically-allocated ports.

Registered ports

These ports are registered with the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) and are permanently assigned to specific NetBackup services. For example, the port for the NetBackup client daemon (bpcd) is 13782.

The following system configuration file can be used to override the default port numbers for each port:

```
/etc/services
```

Dynamically-allocated ports

These ports are assigned as needed, from configurable ranges in the **Port Ranges** host properties for NetBackup servers and clients.

In addition to the range of numbers, you can specify whether NetBackup selects a port number at random or starts at the top of the range and uses the first one available.

## Preferred Network properties

Use the **Preferred Network** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to specify to NetBackup which networks or interfaces to use for outgoing



NetBackup traffic from the selected hosts. These properties apply to currently selected master servers, media servers, and clients.

The **Preferred Network** properties are useful in NetBackup environments that include multihomed hosts—the hosts that are connected to two or more networks, or hosts that have two or more network addresses. The properties are especially helpful to administrators who must configure an environment that includes both Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6) and IPv4 address families.

The **Preferred Network** properties compare to the **Use specified network interface** property in the **Universal Settings** properties. However, the **Use specified network interface** property can be used to specify only a single interface for NetBackup to use for outbound calls. The **Preferred Network** properties were introduced so that administrators can give more elaborate and constrictive instructions that apply to multiple individual networks, or a range of networks. For example, an administrator can configure a host to use any network except one.

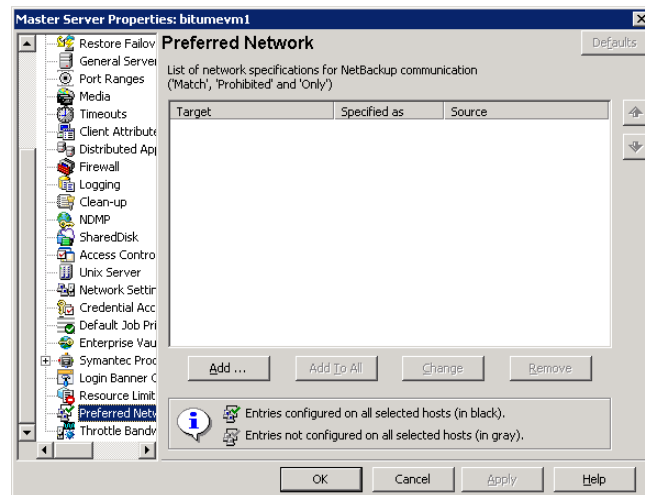
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**Note:** Do not inadvertently configure hosts so that they cannot communicate with any other host. Use the `bptestnetconn` utility to determine whether the hosts can communicate as you intend.

See [“bptestnetconn utility to display Preferred Network information”](#) on page 190.

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**Figure 3-45** Preferred Network dialog box



The **Preferred Network** dialog box contains a list of networks and the directive that has been configured for each.

Table 3-52 Preferred Network dialog box properties

Property	Description
List of network specifications for NetBackup communications	<p>The list of preferred networks contains the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The <b>Target</b> column lists the networks (or hostnames or IP addresses) that have been given specific directives. If a network is not specifically listed as a target, or if a range of addresses does not include the target, NetBackup considers the target to be available for selection.</li></ul> <p>Note that if the same network considerations apply for all of the hosts, the list of directives can be identical across all hosts in the NetBackup environment. If a directive contains an address that does not apply to a particular host, that host ignores it. For example, an IPv4-only host ignores IPv6 directives, and IPv6-only hosts ignore IPv4 directives. This lets the administrator use the same <b>Preferred Network</b> configurations for all the hosts in the NetBackup environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The <b>Specified as</b> column indicates the directive for the network: <b>Match</b>, <b>Prohibited</b>, or <b>Only</b>.</li><li>■ The <b>Source</b> column lists source binding information to use to filter addresses. The <b>Source</b> property is an optional configuration property.</li></ul>
Ordering arrows	<p>Select a network in the list, then click the up or down arrow to change the order of the network in the list. The order can affect which network NetBackup selects.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Order of directive processing in the Preferred Network properties”</a> on page 189.</p>
Add	<p>Click <b>Add</b> to add a network to the <b>Preferred Network</b> properties. The directive for the network is configured in the <b>Add Preferred Network Settings</b> dialog box.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Table 3-53</a> on page 183.</p>
Add to all	<p>The <b>Add to all</b> button is active when multiple servers are selected.</p>
Change	<p>Select a network in the list, then click <b>Change</b> to change the <b>Preferred Network</b> properties. The directive is changed in the <b>Change Preferred Network Settings</b> dialog box.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Add or Change Preferred Network Settings dialog box”</a> on page 182.</p>
Remove	<p>Select a network in the list, then click <b>Remove</b> to remove the network from the list of preferred networks.</p>

## Add or Change Preferred Network Settings dialog box

The **Add Preferred Network Settings** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-53** Add or Change Preferred Network Settings dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Target</b>	<p>Enter a network address or a hostname:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If an address is specified as the network, it is usually considered a remote or target address. NetBackup recognizes the following wildcard entries as addresses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0.0.0.0 Matches any IPv4 address.</li> <li>■ 0::0 Matches any IPv6 address.</li> <li>■ 0/0&lt; /&gt; Matches the address of any family.</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ If a hostname is specified as the network, then the address that is used is the first returned by the DNS resolver.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Do not use the following malformed entries as wildcards: 0/32, 0/64, or 0/128. The left side of the slash must be a legitimate IP address. However, 0/0 may be used, as listed.</p>
<b>Match</b>	<p>The <b>Match</b> directive indicates that the specified network, address, or hostname is preferred for communication with the selected host.</p> <p>The <b>Match</b> directive does not reject other networks, addresses, or hostnames from being selected, even if they do not match. (The <b>Only</b> directive rejects unsuitable targets if they do not match.)</p> <p>The <b>Match</b> directive is useful following a <b>Prohibited</b> or a <b>Only</b> directive. When used with other directives, <b>Match</b> indicates to NetBackup to stop rule processing because a suitable match has been found.</p> <p>The <b>Match</b> directive can be used with the <b>Source</b> property to indicate source binding.</p>
<b>Prohibited</b>	<p>Use the <b>Prohibited</b> directive to exclude or prevent the specified network, address, or hostname from being considered. In a list of DNS addresses, addresses in these networks are avoided.</p>
<b>Only</b>	<p>The <b>Only</b> directive indicates that the specified network, address, or hostname that is used for communication with the selected host must be in the specified network.</p> <p>Use the <b>Only</b> directive to prevent any network from being considered other than those specified as <b>Only</b>.</p> <p>This directive replaces the <code>REQUIRED_NETWORK</code> entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> file or registry.</p> <p>The <b>Only</b> directive can be used with the <b>Source</b> property to indicate source binding.</p>

Table 3-53

Add or Change Preferred Network Settings dialog box properties

(continued)

Property	Description
Source	<p>Use this property with the <b>Match</b> or the <b>Only</b> directives to describe the local hostname, IP addresses, or networks that may be used for source binding.</p> <p>NetBackup matches the desired source interfaces, (backup networks, for example) with the target addresses described by the <b>Source</b> property.</p> <p>The corresponding <code>bp.conf</code> or registry entry for this property is <code>PREFERRED_NETWORK</code>. This property replaces the <code>REQUIRED_INTERFACE</code> entry.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“PREFERRED_NETWORK bp.conf entry”</a> on page 263.</p>

## How NetBackup uses the directives to determine which network to use

Each host has an internal table of preferred network rules that NetBackup consults before it selects a network interface to use for communication with another host. The table includes every interface-IP address combination available to the selected host. Based on the **Preferred NetBackup** directives, the table indicates to NetBackup whether or not the host is allowed to use a given network.

This topic uses the example of two multihomed servers (Server\_A and Server\_B) as shown in [Figure 3-46](#). Server A is considering which addresses it can use to access Server\_B, given the **Preferred Network** directives configured on Server\_A.

When **Preferred Network** directives are used to place restrictions on targets, they are added from the perspective of the server making the connection. The directives on Server\_A affect its preferences as to which Server\_B addresses it can use.

Figure 3-46      Multihomed servers example

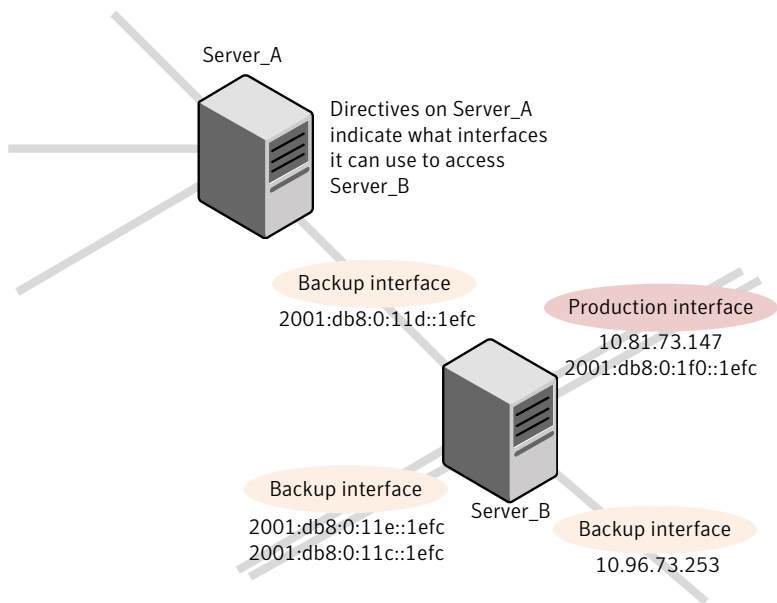


Figure 3-47 shows a table for Server\_B. Server\_B has multiple network interfaces, some of which have multiple IP addresses. In the table, *yes* indicates that NetBackup can use the network-IP combination as a source. In this example, no directives have been created for the host. Since no networks are listed in the **Preferred Network** properties, any network-IP combinations can be used for communication.

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**Note:** The following topic shows the `bptestnetconn` output for this example configuration:

See [Figure 3-54](#) on page 191.

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**Figure 3-47** From Server\_A's perspective: Available IP addresses on Server\_B when no directives are indicated on Server\_A

		IP addresses	
		IPv4	IPv6
Network interfaces	2001:0db8:0:1f0::1efc	---	Yes
	10.80.73.147	Yes	---
	2001:0db8:0:11c::1efc	---	Yes
	2001:0db8:0:11d::1efc	---	Yes
	2001:0db8:0:11e::1efc	---	Yes
	10.96.73.253	Yes	---

Figure 3-48 shows a table for the same host (Server\_B). Now, the **Preferred Network** properties are configured so that all IPv4 addresses are excluded from selection consideration by NetBackup. All NetBackup traffic is to use only IPv6 addresses.

**Figure 3-48** From Server\_A's perspective: Available IP addresses on Server\_B when directives to use IPv6 addresses only are indicated on Server\_A

		IP addresses	
		IPv4	IPv6
Network interfaces	2001:0db8:0:1f0::1efc	---	Yes
	10.80.73.147	No	---
	2001:0db8:0:11c::1efc	---	Yes
	2001:0db8:0:11d::1efc	---	Yes
	2001:0db8:0:11e::1efc	---	Yes
	10.96.73.253	No	---

The following topics describe various configurations:

- See [“Configurations to use IPv6 networks”](#) on page 187.
- See [“Configurations to use IPv4 networks”](#) on page 188.
- See [“Configuration to prohibit using a specified address”](#) on page 192.
- See [“Configuration that uses the same specification for both the network and the interface—less constrictive”](#) on page 192.

- See [“Configuration that uses the same specification for both the network and the interface—more constrictive”](#) on page 193.
- See [“Configuration that limits the addresses, but allows any interfaces”](#) on page 194.

## Configurations to use IPv6 networks

The following **Preferred Network** configurations instruct NetBackup to use only IPv6 addresses as targets in outbound calls for the currently selected hosts. The configurations satisfy a topology where all backup traffic uses an IPv6 network and other traffic uses other networks.

One configuration uses the **Prohibited** directive ([Figure 3-49](#)) and one configuration uses the **Match** directive ([Figure 3-50](#)).

The more efficient method to specify one address family, (IPv6, in this case), is to prohibit IPv4. The behavior of the **Match** directive is not as exclusive as **Prohibited**. In this case, **Match** may not necessarily exclude other address families.

[Figure 3-49](#) uses the **Prohibited** directive with a wildcard to indicate to NetBackup to not consider using any IPv4 addresses. In this situation, NetBackup must use an IPv6 address.

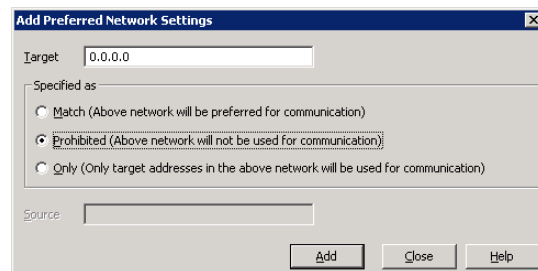
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**Note:** The default configuration is for NetBackup to use only IPv4 addresses. Creating a directive that prohibits all IPv4 addresses renders the server mute unless you have IPv6 addresses and have them enabled.

See [“IP Address Family Support property”](#) on page 178.

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**Figure 3-49** Prohibit IPv4 addresses as targets



[Figure 3-50](#) uses the **Match** directive with a wildcard to indicate to NetBackup to consider only IPv6 addresses. In this case, NetBackup tries to use an IPv6 address, but may consider IPv4 addresses if necessary.

Figure 3-50 Match IPv6 addresses as targets

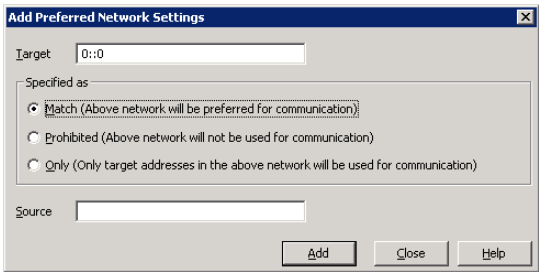


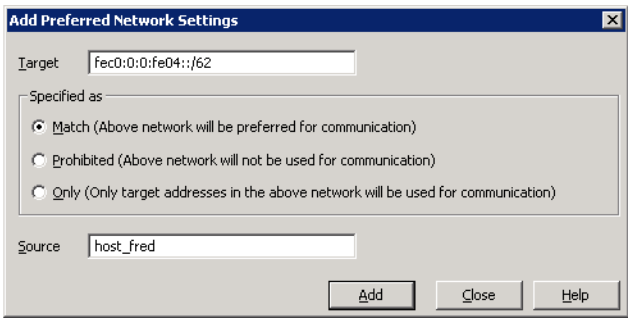
Figure 3-51 shows another configuration that allows NetBackup to choose from multiple IPv6 networks.

Given the multihomed example configuration, the directive indicates the following:

- Four IPv6 networks, from `fec0:0:0:fe04` to `fec0:0:0:fe07`, are described as targets.
- For all addresses in these networks, a source binding address that is derived from the IP addresses of hostname `host_fred` is used.

See “[How NetBackup uses the directives to determine which network to use](#)” on page 184.

Figure 3-51 Indicating a range of IPv6 networks



## Configurations to use IPv4 networks

The following **Preferred Network** configurations instruct NetBackup to use only IPv4 addresses as targets in outbound calls for the currently selected hosts. The configurations satisfy a topology where all backup traffic uses an IPv4 network and other traffic uses other networks.

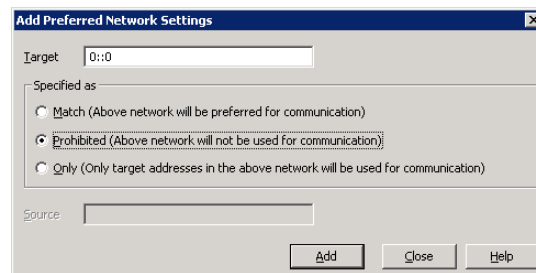
One configuration uses the **Prohibited** directive (Figure 3-52) and one configuration uses the **Match** directive (Figure 3-53).



The more efficient method to specify one address family, (IPv4, in this case), is to prohibit IPv6. The behavior of the **Match** directive is not as exclusive as **Prohibited**. In this case, **Match** may not necessarily exclude other address families.

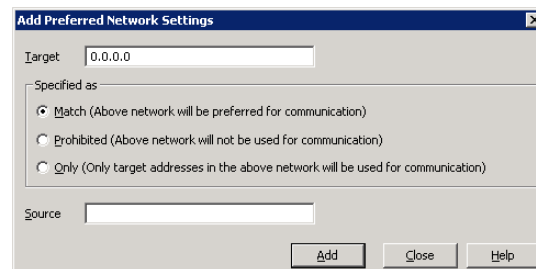
[Figure 3-52](#) uses the **Prohibited** directive with a wildcard to indicate to NetBackup to not consider using any IPv6 addresses. In this situation, NetBackup must use an IPv4 address.

**Figure 3-52** Prohibit IPv6 addresses as targets



[Figure 3-53](#) uses the **Match** directive with a wildcard to indicate to NetBackup to consider only IPv4 addresses. In this case, NetBackup tries to use an IPv4 address, but may consider IPv6 addresses if necessary.

**Figure 3-53** Match IPv4 addresses as targets



## Order of directive processing in the Preferred Network properties

NetBackup sorts all directives into decreasing order by subnet size so that the more specific network specifications, such as complete hostnames or IP addresses, match first. (For example, a /24 subnet matches before a /16 subnet.) In this way, NetBackup can honor host-specific overrides.

If NetBackup considers the directives of multiple networks to be equal in specificity (a tie), NetBackup looks at the order in which the networks are listed.

See [“Order of directives can affect processing”](#) on page 190.

NetBackup processes each resolved address in the network list according to specific rules. Directives that contain addresses that do not apply to the host are ignored. [Table 3-54](#) describes how NetBackup determines whether an address can be used for communication.

**Table 3-54**      Order of directive processing

Step	NetBackup considers the target	Target is selected or processing continues
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ If the target is not a match for the directive, and</li><li>■ if the directive is an <b>Only</b> directive...</li></ul>	...then the target is treated as <b>Prohibited</b> , and processing stops for that target.  NetBackup considers the next target.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ If the target is a match for the directive, and</li><li>■ if the directive is a <b>Prohibited</b> directive...</li></ul>	...then the target is treated as <b>Prohibited</b> and processing stops for that target.  NetBackup considers the next target.
3	If the target is not a match...	...then the processing continues.  NetBackup considers the next directive in the list.
4	If the target is a match...	...then the directive is either <b>Only</b> or <b>Match</b> and further directive processing stops.  An <b>Only</b> match is treated like a <b>Match</b> in terms of source binding computation. If no rules ever match, then the target is allowed, and no source binding is enforced.

## Order of directives can affect processing

The order of the networks in the list can affect which network NetBackup selects for communication for the selected hosts.

The strongest filters are **Prohibited** and **Only**.

Use the up or down arrows to the right of the list to change the order of the networks.

## bptestnetconn utility to display Preferred Network information

The `bptestnetconn` utility is available to administrators to test and analyze host connections. Use the preferred network option (`--prefnet`) to display information about the preferred network configuration along with the forward lookup information of a host on the server list.

The `bptestnetconn` command is described in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

Figure 3-54 shows the `bptestnetconn` output when run on Server\_A, for Server\_B. That is, `bptestnetconn` is run from Server\_A's perspective. Based on the directives configured on Server\_A, for Server\_B, `bptestnetconn` shows the available IP addresses on Server\_B. In this example, no directives are configured on Server\_A.

**Figure 3-54** `bptestnetconn` for Server\_B with no directives listed

```
[root@Server_A netbackup]# bptestnetconn -f --prefnet -H Server_B
```

FL: Server_B -> 10.81.73.147	:	11 ms SRC: ANY
FL: Server_B -> 10.96.73.253	:	11 ms SRC: ANY
FL: Server_B -> 2001:db8:0:11d::1efc	:	11 ms SRC: ANY
FL: Server_B -> 2001:db8:0:11e::1efc	:	11 ms SRC: ANY
FL: Server_B -> 2001:d8b:0:1f0::1efc	:	11 ms SRC: ANY
FL: Server_B -> 2001:db8:0:11c::1efc	:	11 ms SRC: ANY

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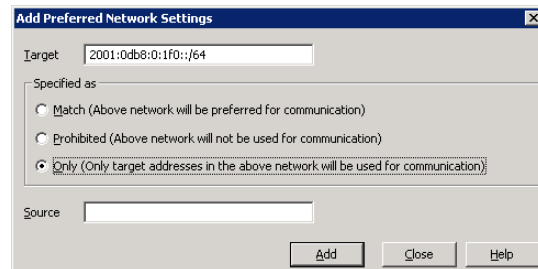
Total elapsed time: 0 sec

Host for which lookup  
is performed

List of networks available to  
Server\_B

Any source is available to  
use for a connection

The following directive is added to the **Preferred Networks** properties on Server\_B:



In the `bp.conf` file or the registry, the directive appears as follows:

```
PREFERRED_NETWORK = 2001:0db8:0:11c::/62 ONLY
```

This directive provides NetBackup with the information to filter the addresses and choose to communicate with only those that match the `:11c`, `:11d`, `:11e`, and `:11f` networks. The addresses that do not match the **Only** directive are prohibited, as shown in the `bptestnetconn` output.

See “**PREFERRED\_NETWORK bp.conf entry**” on page 263.

Figure 3-55 shows the `bptestnetconn` output for Server\_B, given this directive.

Figure 3-55 bptestnetconn for Server\_B with directive

```
[root@Server_A netbackup]# bptestnetconn -f --prefnet -H Server_B
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FL: Server_B -> 10.81.73.147           :      11 ms TGT PROHIBITED
FL: Server_B -> 10.96.73.253          :      11 ms TGT PROHIBITED
FL: Server_B -> 2001:db8:0:11d::1efc   :      11 ms SRC: ANY
FL: Server_B -> 2001:db8:0:11e::1efc   :      11 ms SRC: ANY
FL: Server_B -> 2001:d8b:0:1f0::1efc   :      11 ms TGT PROHIBITED
FL: Server_B -> 2001:db8:0:11c::1efc   :      11 ms SRC: ANY
-----
Total elapsed time: 0 sec
```

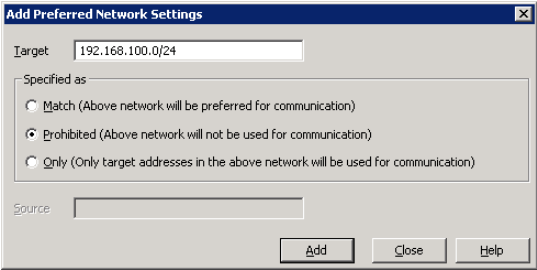
List of networks available to Server\_B

Directives make some targets unavailable to Server\_B

Configuration to prohibit using a specified address

Figure 3-56 shows a configuration that prohibits NetBackup from using the specified address.

Figure 3-56 Prohibited target example



Configuration that uses the same specification for both the network and the interface—less constrictive

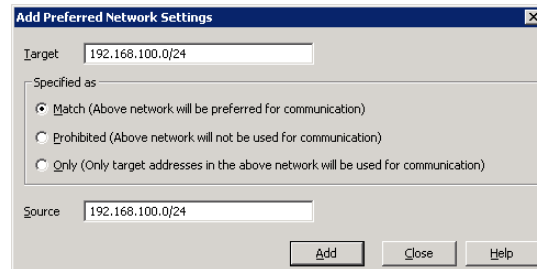
Figure 3-57 shows a configuration that uses the same specification for both the network and the interface.

For all target addresses in the specified network, a source binding in the same network is selected. This directive is considered generic since the identical directive applies to all NetBackup hosts on the network. The closest preferred source address that matches a remote address is used for source binding.

A production network outside this range can then be **Prohibited**, thereby preferring these addresses from both a remote and source binding perspective.

Additional **Match** directives may be used to indicate additional backup networks that are allowed.

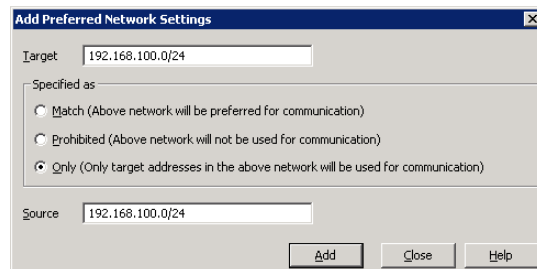
**Figure 3-57** Match network selection with the source



Configuration that uses the same specification for both the network and the interface—more constrictive

[Figure 3-58](#) also uses the same specification for both target and source binding, however this example is more restrictive. With the **Only** property specified, this configuration does not allow multiple backup networks to be specified.

**Figure 3-58** Only network selection with the same source binding address



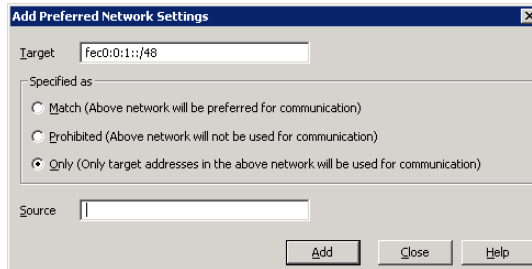
A host with the **Only** directive configured considers only those target addresses in the 192.168.100.0 subnet. Additionally, source binding to the local interface must be done on the 192.168.100.0 subnet.

On hosts that have a 192.168.100.0 interface but no :1b0 interface, source binding to the :1f0 interface is the default of the operating system.

## Configuration that limits the addresses, but allows any interfaces

Figure 3-59 shows a configuration that allows only addresses that start with the specified prefix to be considered. No source binding is specified, so any interface may be used.

**Figure 3-59** Limiting the addresses, without any source binding



## Resilient Network properties

The **Resilient Network** properties appear for the master server, for media servers, and for clients. For media servers and clients, the **Resilient Network** properties are read only. When a job runs, the master server updates the media server and the client with the current properties.

The **Resilient Network** properties let you configure NetBackup to use resilient network connections. A resilient connection allows backup and restore traffic between a client and NetBackup media servers to function effectively in high-latency, low-bandwidth networks such as WANs. The use case that benefits the most from a resilient connection is a client in a remote office that backs up its own data (client-side deduplication). The data travels across a wide area network (WAN) to media servers in a central datacenter.

NetBackup monitors the socket connections between the remote client and the NetBackup media server. If possible, NetBackup re-establishes dropped connections and resynchronizes the data stream. NetBackup also overcomes latency issues to maintain an unbroken data stream. A resilient connection can survive network interruptions of up to 80 seconds. A resilient connection may survive interruptions longer than 80 seconds.

The NetBackup Remote Network Transport Service manages the connection between the computers. The Remote Network Transport Service runs on the master server, the client, and the media server that processes the backup or restore job. If the connection is interrupted or fails, the services attempt to re-establish a connection and synchronize the data. More information about the Remote Network Transport Service is available.

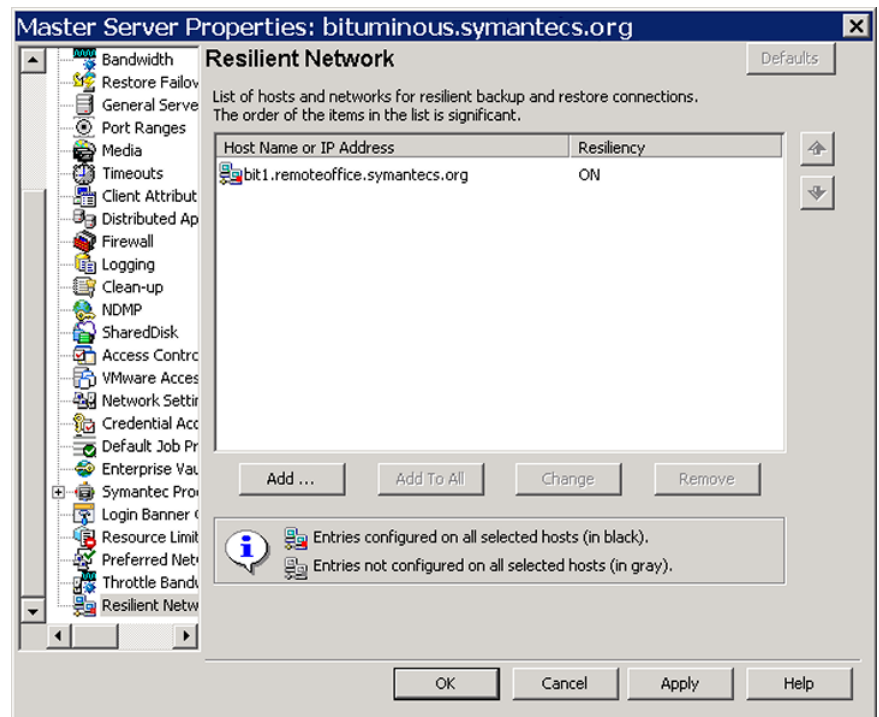
Resilient connections apply between clients and NetBackup media servers, which includes master servers when they function as media servers. Resilient connections do not apply to master servers or media servers if they function as clients and back up data to a media server.

Resilient connections can apply to all of the clients or to a subset of clients.

**Note:** If a client is in a different subdomain than the server, add the fully qualified domain name of the server to the client's hosts file. For example, india.symantecs.org is a different subdomain than china.symantecs.org.

When a backup or restore job for a client starts, NetBackup searches the **Resilient Network** list from top to bottom looking for the client. If NetBackup finds the client, NetBackup updates the resilient network setting of the client and the media server that runs the job. NetBackup then uses a resilient connection.

**Figure 3-60** Master server Resilient Network host properties



See [“About the Daemons tab”](#) on page 910.

[Table 3-55](#) describes the **Resilient Network** properties.

Table 3-55 Resilient Network dialog box properties

Property	Description
Host Name or IP Address	<p>The <b>Host Name or IP Address</b> of the host. The address can also be a range of IP addresses so you can configure more than one client at once. You can mix IPv4 addresses and ranges with IPv6 addresses and subnets.</p> <p>If you specify the host by name, Symantec recommends that you use the fully qualified domain name.</p> <p>Use the arrow buttons on the right side of the pane to move up or move down an item in the list of resilient networks.</p>
Resiliency	<b>Resiliency</b> is either <b>ON</b> or <b>OFF</b> .

**Note:** The order is significant for the items in the list of resilient networks. If a client is in the list more than once, the first match determines its resilient connection status. For example, suppose you add a client and specify the client IP address and specify **On** for **Resiliency**. Suppose also that you add a range of IP addresses as **Off**, and the client IP address is within that range. If the client IP address appears before the address range, the client connection is resilient. Conversely, if the IP range appears first, the client connection is not resilient.

The resilient status of each client also appears as follows:

- In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Policies** in the left pane and then select a policy. In the right pane, a **Resiliency** column shows the status for each client in the policy.
- In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Clients** in the left pane. In the right pane, a **Resiliency** column shows the status for each client.

Other NetBackup properties control the order in which NetBackup uses network addresses.

See “[Preferred Network properties](#)” on page 180.

The NetBackup resilient connections use the SOCKS protocol version 5.

Resilient connection traffic is not encrypted. Symantec recommends that you encrypt your backups. For deduplication backups, use the deduplication-based encryption. For other backups, use policy-based encryption.

Resilient connections apply to backup connections. Therefore, no additional network ports or firewall ports must be opened.



## Resilient connection resource usage

Resilient connections consume more resources than regular connections, as follows:

- More socket connections are required per data stream. Three socket connections are required to accommodate the Remote Network Transport Service that runs on both the media server and the client. Only one socket connection is required for a non-resilient connection.
- More sockets are open on media servers and clients. Three open sockets are required rather than one for a non-resilient connection. The increased number of open sockets may cause issues on busy media servers.
- More processes run on media servers and clients. Usually, only one more process per host runs even if multiple connections exist.
- The processing that is required to maintain a resilient connection may reduce performance slightly.

## Specifying resilient connections

Use the following procedure to specify resilient connections for NetBackup clients. See [“Resilient Network properties”](#) on page 194.


Alternatively, you can use the `resilient_clients` goodies script to specify resilient connections for clients:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/goodies/resilient_clients
```

### To specify resilient connections

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers** in the left pane.
- 2 In the right pane, select the host or hosts on which to specify properties.
- 3 Click **Actions > Properties**.
- 4 In the properties dialog box left pane, select **Resilient Network**.
- 5 In the **Resilient Network** dialog box, use the following buttons to manage resiliency:

<b>Add</b>	Opens a dialog box in which you can add a host or an address range.  If you specify the host by name, Symantec recommends that you use the fully qualified domain name.
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Add To All	<p>If you select multiple hosts in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, the entries in the <b>Resilient Network</b> list may appear in different colors, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The entries that appear in black type are configured on all of the hosts.</li><li>■ The entries that appear in gray type are configured on some of the hosts only.</li></ul> <p>For the entries that are configured on some of the hosts only, you can add them to all of the hosts. To do so, select them and click <b>Add To All</b>.</p>
Change	<p>Opens a dialog box in which you can change the resiliency settings of the select items.</p>
Remove	<p>Remove the select host or address range. A confirmation dialog box does not appear.</p>
	<p>Move the selected item or items up or down.</p> <p>The order of the items in the list is significant.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Resilient Network properties</a>” on page 194.</p>

## Resource Limit properties

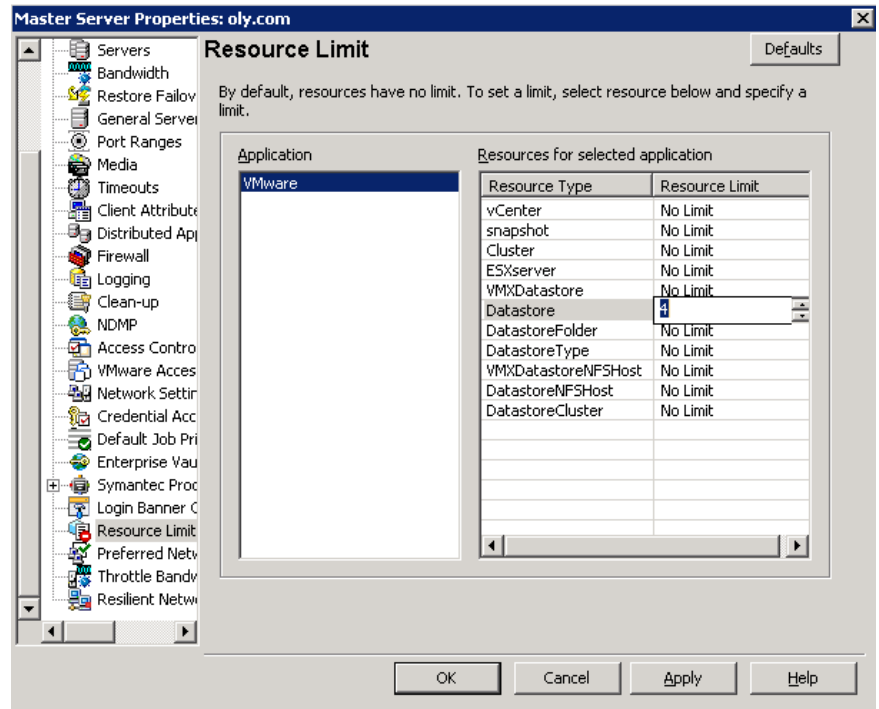
The **Resource Limit** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** control the number of simultaneous backups that can be performed on a VMware resource type. These settings apply to all policies for the currently selected master server.

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**Note:** The **Resource Limit** dialog applies only to policies that use automatic selection of virtual machines (the policy's Query Builder). If you select virtual machines manually on the **Browse for Virtual Machines** dialog box, the **Resource Limit** properties have no effect.

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Figure 3-61 Resource Limit dialog box



The **Resource Limit** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-56 Resource Limit dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>vCenter</b>	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per vCenter server.
<b>snapshot</b>	The maximum number of simultaneous snapshot operations (create or delete) per vCenter.
<b>Cluster</b>	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per VMware cluster.
<b>ESXserver</b>	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per ESX server.
<b>VMXDatastore</b>	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per VMX datastore.
<b>Datastore</b>	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per Datastore.

Table 3-56 Resource Limit dialog box properties (continued)

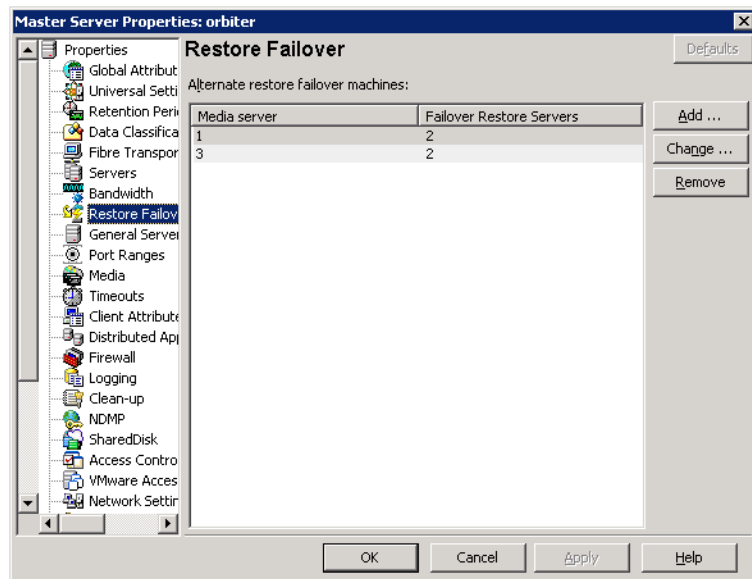
Property	Description
DatastoreFolder	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per datastore folder.
DatastoreType	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per datastore type.
VMXDatastoreNFSHost	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per NFS host of the VMX datastore.
DatastoreNFSHost	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per NFS host of the datastore.
DatastoreCluster	The maximum number of simultaneous backups per datastore cluster.

For example, a **Resource Limit** of four for Datastore means that NetBackup policies can perform no more than four simultaneous backups on any particular datastore.

## Restore Failover properties

The **Restore Failover** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** control how NetBackup performs automatic failover to a NetBackup media server. A failover server may be necessary if the regular media server is temporarily inaccessible to perform a restore operation. The automatic failover does not require administrator intervention. By default, NetBackup does not perform automatic failover. These properties apply to currently selected master servers.

Figure 3-62      Restore Failover dialog box



The **Restore Failover** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-57      Restore Failover dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Media server</b>	Displays the NetBackup media servers that have failover protection for restores.
<b>Failover restore server</b>	Displays the servers that provide the failover protection. NetBackup searches from top to bottom in the column until it finds another server that can perform the restore.

A NetBackup media server can appear only once in the **Media server** column but can be a failover server for multiple other media servers. The protected server and the failover server must both be in the same master and media server cluster.

The following situations describe examples of when to use the restore failover capability:

- Two or more media servers share a robot and each has connected drives. When a restore is requested, one of the servers is temporarily inaccessible.
- Two or more media servers have stand alone drives of the same type. When a restore is requested, one of the servers is temporarily inaccessible.

In these instances, inaccessible means that the connection between `bprd` on the master server and `bptm` on the media server (through `bpcd`) fails.

Possible reasons for the failure are as follows:

- The media server is down.
- The media server is up but `bpcd` does not respond. (For example, if the connection is refused or access is denied.)
- The media server is up and `bpcd` is running, but `bptm` has problems. (For example, `bptm` cannot find the required tape.)

## Assigning an alternate media server as a failover restore server

You can assign another media server to act as a failover restore server for your media server. If your media server is unavailable during a restore, the failover restore server takes its place.

To assign an alternate media server as a failover restore server

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left panel, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers**.
- 2 In the right pane, double-click on the master server you want to modify.
- 3 In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click **Restore Failover**.
- 4 Click **Add**.
- 5 In the **Media server** field, specify the media server for failover protection.
- 6 In the **Failover restore servers** field, specify the media servers to try if the server that is designated in the **Media server** field is unavailable. Separate the names of multiple servers with a single space.
- 7 Click **Add**. The dialog box remains open for another entry.
- 8 Click **Close**.
- 9 From the **Restore Failover** dialog box, click **Apply** to accept the changes.

Before the change takes effect, you must stop and restart the NetBackup Request daemon on the master server where the configuration was changed.

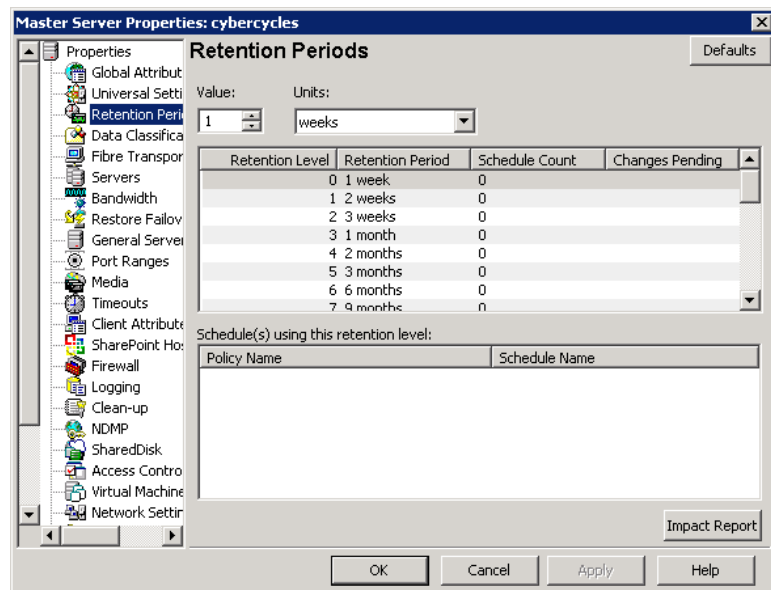
See [“About enabling automatic failover to an alternate server”](#) on page 1007.

## Retention Periods properties

Use the **Retention Periods** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to define a duration for each retention level. You can select from 25 retention levels.

In a policy, the retention period determines how long NetBackup retains the backups or the archives that are created according to the schedule. These properties apply to selected master servers.

**Figure 3-63** Retention Periods dialog box



By default, NetBackup stores each backup on a volume that already contains backups at the same retention level. However, NetBackup does not check the retention period that is defined for that level. When the retention period for a level is redefined, some backups that share the same volume may have different retention periods.

For example, if the retention level 3 is changed from one month to six months, NetBackup stores future level 3 backups on the same volumes. That is, the backups are placed on the volumes with the level 3 backups that have a retention period of one month.

No problem exists if the new and the old retention periods are of similar values. However, before a major change is made to a retention period, suspend the volumes that were previously used for that retention level.

See “[Determining retention periods for volumes](#)” on page 205.

The **Retention Periods** dialog box contains the following properties.

**Table 3-58** Retention Periods dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Value</b>	Assigns a number to the retention level setting.
<b>Units</b>	Specifies the units of time for the retention period. The list includes hours as the smallest unit of granularity and the special units, <b>Infinite</b> , and <b>Expires immediately</b> .
<b>Retention Level</b>	The retention level number (0 through 24).
<b>Retention Period</b>	<p>A list of the current definitions for the 25 possible levels of retention. By default, levels 9 through 24 are set to infinite. Retention level 9 is the only level that cannot be changed and remains at infinite.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Retention Periods with end dates beyond 2038, excluding Infinity</a>” on page 206.</p> <p>With the default, there is no difference between a retention level of 12 and a retention level of 20, for example.</p> <p>The <b>Schedule Count</b> column indicates how many schedules currently use each level. If the retention period is changed for a level, it affects all schedules that use that level.</p> <p>The <b>Changes Pending</b> column uses an asterisk (*) to indicate that the period has been changed and not applied. NetBackup does not change the actual configuration until the administrator accepts or applies the changes.</p>
<b>Schedule Count</b>	Lists the number of schedules that use the currently selected retention level.
<b>Schedules using this retention level</b>	Displays a list of the current policy names and schedule names that use the retention level.
<b>Impact Report</b>	Displays a summary of how changes affect existing schedules. The list displays all schedules in which the retention period is shorter than the frequency period.

## Changing a retention period

Use the following procedure to change a retention period.

**To change a retention period**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers**.
- 2 In the right pane, double-click on the master server you want to modify.
- 3 In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click **Retention Periods**.



- 4 Select the retention level to change.

By default, levels 9 through 24 are set to infinite. If the levels are left at the default, there is no difference between a retention level of 12 and a retention level of 20. Level 9 cannot be changed and remains at a setting of infinite.

See [“Retention Periods with end dates beyond 2038, excluding Infinity”](#) on page 206.

The dialog box displays the names of all schedules that use the selected retention level as well as the policy to which each schedule belongs.

- 5 Type the new retention period in the **Value** box.
- 6 From the **Units** drop-down list, select a unit of measure (days, weeks, months, years, Infinite, or Expires immediately).

After you change the value or unit of measure, an asterisk (\*) appears in the **Changes Pending** column to indicate that the period was changed. NetBackup does not change the actual configuration until the administrator accepts or applies the changes.

- 7 Click **Impact Report**.

The policy impact list displays the policies and the schedule names where the new retention period is less than the frequency period. To prevent a potential gap in backup coverage, redefine the retention period for the schedules or change the retention or frequency for the schedule.

- 8 Do one of the following:
  - To discard your changes, click **Cancel**.
  - To save your changes and leave the dialog box open to make further changes, click **Apply**.
  - To save your changes and close the dialog box, click **OK**.

## Determining retention periods for volumes

Use the following procedure to determine retention periods for volumes.

### To determine retention periods for volumes

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**
- 2 In the right pane, find the volume on the list and examine the value in the **Retention Period** column.

To see all volumes that have the same retention period, click the **Retention Period** column header to sort the volumes by retention period. This column heading is hidden by default.

## Retention Periods with end dates beyond 2038, excluding Infinity

Due to UNIX epoch time and the year 2038 problem, any retention end date that exceeds January 19, 2038 is automatically set to expire on January 19, 2038, regardless of whether the expiration end date is reached.

This issue does not apply to retention levels for which the retention period is set to **Infinity**. NetBackup never expires media with a retention set to **Infinity** unless instructed to do so by the NetBackup administrator.

## Servers properties

The **Servers** properties display the NetBackup server list on selected master servers, media servers, and clients. The server list displays the NetBackup servers that each host recognizes.

The **Servers** dialog box contains the following tabs and properties:

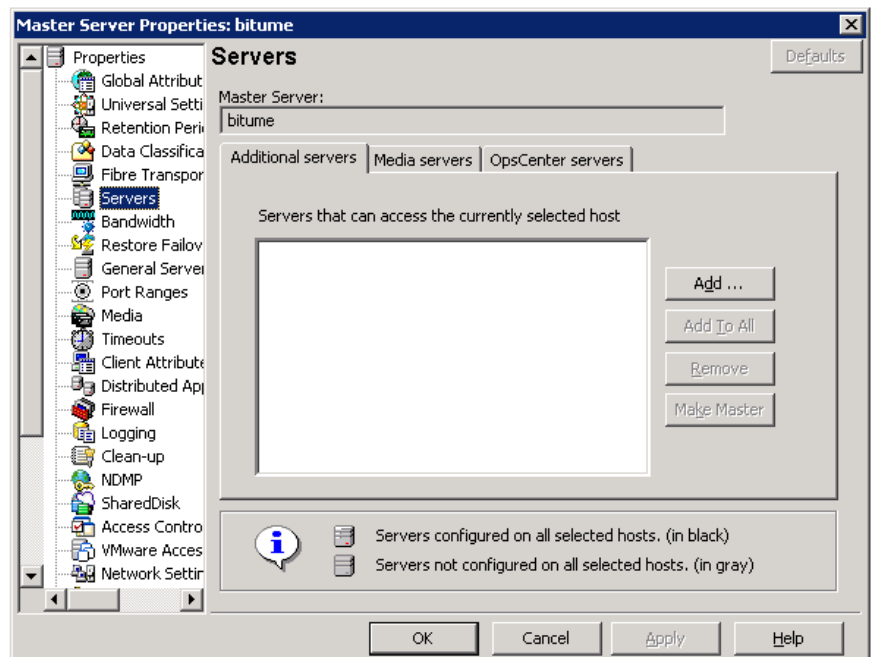
Table 3-59 Servers dialog box properties

Property	Description
Master Server	Specifies the master server for the selected host. (The name of the selected host appears in the title bar.)
Additional Servers tab	<p>This tab (<a href="#">Figure 3-64</a>) lists the additional servers that can access the server that is specified as <b>Master server</b>.</p> <p>During installation, NetBackup sets the master server to the name of the system where the server software is installed. NetBackup uses the master server value to validate server access to the client. The master server value is also used to determine which server the client must connect to so that files can be listed and restored.</p> <p>To configure access to a remote server, add to the server list the name of the host seeking access.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Accessing remote servers”</a> on page 965.</p>

**Table 3-59** Servers dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Media Servers tab</b>	<p>This tab (Figure 3-65) lists the hosts that are media servers only. Hosts that are listed as media servers can back up and restore clients, but have limited administrative privileges.</p> <p>If a server appears only on the <b>Media servers</b> tab, the server is a media server. Media servers can back up and restore clients, but they have limited administrative privileges.</p> <p>A server that appears on the <b>Media servers</b> tab and the <b>Additional servers</b> tab may introduce unintended consequences. A computer that is defined as both a master server and a media server gives the administrator of the media server full master server privileges. By listing the media server in both places, you may inadvertently give the media server administrator more privileges than intended.</p>
<b>OpsCenter Servers tab</b>	<p>This tab (Figure 3-66) lists the Symantec OpsCenter servers that can access the currently selected master server.</p> <p>To add a server to the list, ensure that the NetBackup server can reach the OpsCenter server.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>Symantec OpsCenter Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>

**Figure 3-64** Additional servers tab in the Servers dialog box



**Figure 3-65** Media servers tab in the Servers dialog box

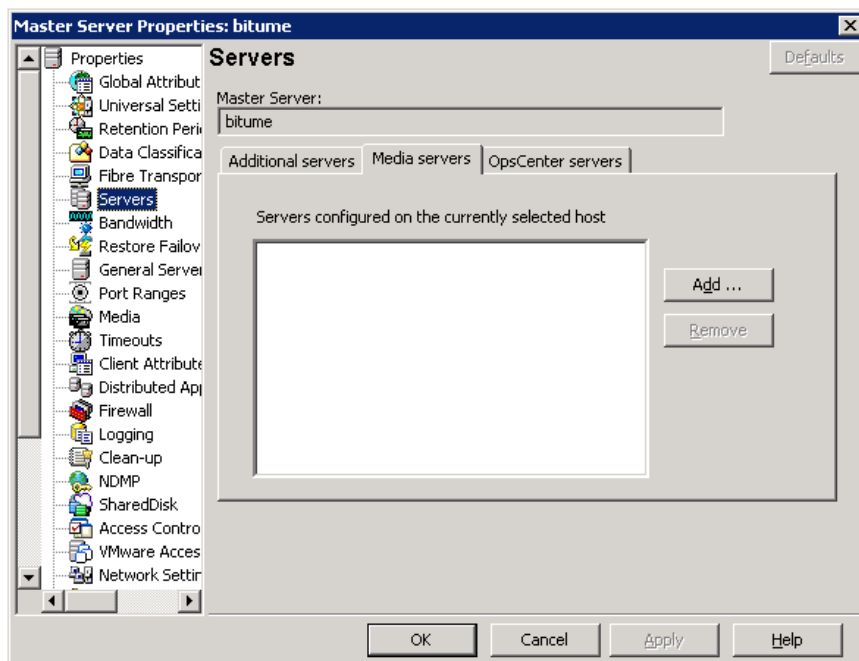
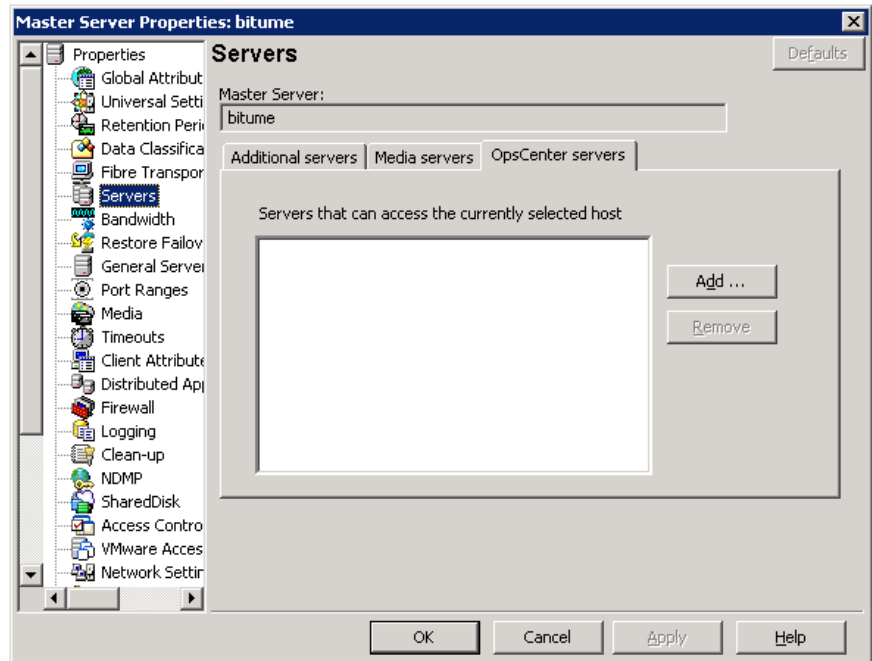


Figure 3-66 OpsCenter servers tab in the Servers dialog box



See [“Adding a server to a remote server list”](#) on page 967.

See [“RESUME\\_ORIG\\_DUP\\_ON\\_OPT\\_DUP\\_FAIL bp.conf entry for UNIX servers”](#) on page 267.

See [“MEDIA\\_SERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX servers”](#) on page 261.

## Adding a server to a servers list

Depending on the tab that is selected, you can add a master server, media server, client, or OpsCenter server to the server list in the **Additional servers** tab, the **Media servers** tab, or the **OpsCenter servers** tab. All tabs appear in the **Servers** properties dialog box.

To add a server to a list

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**.
- 2 Depending on the host to be configured, select **Master Servers**, **Media Servers**, or **Clients**.

- 3 In the right pane, double-click the master server, media server, or client you want to modify.
- 4 In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click **Servers**.
- 5 Select the tab that contains the server list that you want to modify.
- 6 Click **Add**.  
  
To add multiple hosts, select more than one media server or client in step 2 and click **Apply To All** in step 5. However, you can add only one master server to the list at a time.
- 7 In the **Add a New Server Entry** dialog box, type the name of the new server.
- 8 Click **Add**. The dialog box remains open for another entry.
- 9 Click **Close**.

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**Note:** If you add a media server, run `nbemmcmd -addhost` to add the media server to the Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) database of the existing master server.

See [“About sharing one Enterprise Media Manager \(EMM\) database across multiple master servers”](#) on page 211.

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## Removing a server from a server list

You can remove a master server or a media server from the **Additional servers** list. You can also remove a media server from the **Media servers** list.

### To change the Master Server

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**.
- 2 Depending on the host to be configured, select **Master Servers**, **Media Servers**, or **Clients**.
- 3 In the right pane, double-click the master server, media server, or client you want to modify.
- 4 In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click **Servers**.
- 5 Select a server from the **Additional servers** list, the **Media servers** list, or the **OpsCenter servers** list.
- 6 Click **Remove**.

## Switching to another master server in the Servers properties dialog box

You can switch to view the properties of another master server in the **Servers** properties dialog box.

### To switch the master server in the Servers properties dialog box

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**.
- 2 Depending on the host to be configured, select **Master Servers**, **Media Servers**, or **Clients**.
- 3 In the details pane, double-click the master server, media server, or client you want to modify.
- 4 In the dialog box, click **Servers**.
- 5 From the **Additional servers** list, select a server.
- 6 Click **Make Master**.

The new master server appears as the first sever entry in the `bp.conf` list.

## About sharing one Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) database across multiple master servers

Multiple master servers can share one Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) database that is located on a single host. The host that contains the EMM database can be either a master server or a media server.

The **Servers** host properties must be set up to allow multiple master servers to access the host that contains the EMM database.

Access can be set using the **Host Properties** or configured in the `bp.conf` file.

The following table shows example `bp.conf` files from three master servers (*Meadow*, *Havarti*, and *Study*) that share one EMM database. One of the servers (*Meadow*) hosts the EMM database.

**Table 3-60** Example entries from the `bp.conf` files of three master servers that share an EMM database

Meadow	Havarti	Study
SERVER = meadow	SERVER = havarti	SERVER = study
SERVER = havarti	SERVER = meadow	SERVER = meadow

**Table 3-60** Example entries from the bp.conf files of three master servers that share an EMM database (continued)

Meadow	Havarti	Study
SERVER = study	CLIENT_NAME = havarti	CLIENT_NAME = study
CLIENT_NAME = meadow	EMMSERVER = meadow	EMMSERVER = meadow
EMMSERVER = meadow		

Use the following conventions when making entries like those in the example:

- The first `SERVER` entry must be the name of the master server. The table shows that the first `SERVER` entry matches the name of each master server.
- The host server must have a `SERVER` entry for each server that shares the EMM database. This entry allows the **NetBackup Administration Console** to administer the other servers. The table shows *Havarti* and *Study* listed under *Meadow*.  
See [“About choosing a remote server to administer”](#) on page 969.
- If the EMM database is hosted on another master server, that server must be listed. The table shows *Meadow* listed under *Havarti* and *Study*.
- The `CLIENT_NAME` entry must match the name of the master server.
- The `EMMSERVER` entry must be present on all master servers that share the EMM host. The table shows *Meadow* listed as the `EMMSERVER` for all three servers.

If you assign the media server to a different master, the Enterprise Media Manager database also needs to be updated. To update the EMM database, run the following command:

See [“Switching to another master server in the Servers properties dialog box”](#) on page 211.

```
install_path\VERITAS\NetBackup\bin\admincmd\nbemcmd -updatehost
```

See [“EMMSERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX servers”](#) on page 250.

# SharedDisk properties

The **SharedDisk** properties specify the SharedDisk storage option properties for a NetBackup configuration. These properties apply to currently selected master servers.

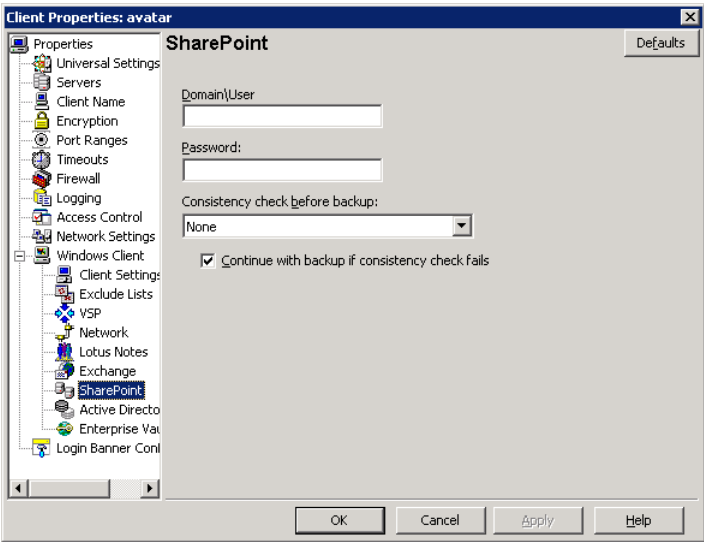
See [“About SharedDisk support in NetBackup 7.0 and later”](#) on page 480.



# SharePoint properties

The **SharePoint** properties apply to currently selected Windows clients to protect SharePoint Server installations.

Figure 3-67      SharePoint dialog box



The **SharePoint** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-61      SharePoint dialog box properties

Property	Description
Domain\User	Specifies the domain and the user name for the account you want to use to log on to SharePoint (DOMAIN\user name).
Password	Specifies the password for the account.
Consistency check before backup	<p>Specifies the consistency checks to perform on the SQL Server databases before NetBackup begins a backup operation. These checks are performed for both server-directed and user-directed backups.</p> <p>If you choose to perform a consistency check, you can select <b>Continue with backup if consistency check fails</b>. NetBackup then continues to perform the backup if the consistency check fails.</p>

For complete information on these options, see the *NetBackup for Microsoft SharePoint Server Administrator's Guide* .

## Consistency check options for SharePoint Server

The following consistency checks can be performed before a SharePoint Server backup.

**Table 3-62** Consistency check options

Option	Description
None	Do not perform consistency checking.
Full check, excluding indexes	Select this option to exclude indexes from the consistency check. If indexes are not checked, the consistency check runs significantly faster but is not as thorough. Only the data pages and clustered index pages for each user table are included in the consistency check. The consistency of the non-clustered index pages is not checked.
Full check, including indexes	Include indexes in the consistency check. Any errors are logged.
Physical check only (SQL 2000 only)	Only applicable for SQL 2000.

## Symantec Products properties

The **Symantec Products** properties encompass properties for other Symantec products.

The Symantec Products properties include the subnode, Backup Exec Tape Reader properties.

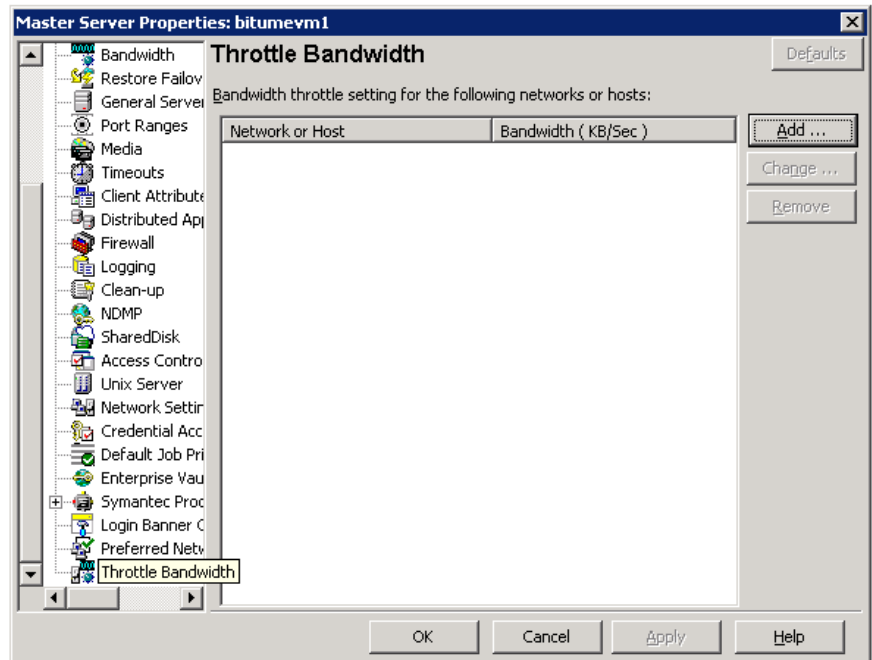
See “[Backup Exec Tape Reader properties](#)” on page 77.

## Throttle Bandwidth properties

Use the **Throttle Bandwidth** properties to specify a limit for the network bandwidth or transfer rate that NetBackup clients use on a network. The actual limiting occurs on the client side of the backup connection. These properties limit only backups. Restores are unaffected. The default is that the bandwidth is not limited.

The **Throttle Bandwidth** properties are similar to the **Bandwidth** host properties, but offer greater flexibility in IPv6 environments.

Figure 3-68 Throttle Bandwidth dialog box



To manage entries in the **Throttle Bandwidth** dialog box, select one of the following buttons:

- Add** Add a network or host to the **Network or Host** list using the **Add Bandwidth Settings** dialog box.
- Change** Change the selected network or host property using the **Change Bandwidth Settings** dialog box.
- Remove** Removes the selected network or host from the **Network or Host** list.

See [“THROTTLE\\_BANDWIDTH bp.conf entry for UNIX servers”](#) on page 274.

## Add Bandwidth Settings dialog box for Throttle Bandwidth properties

The **Add Bandwidth Settings** and the **Change Bandwidth Settings** dialog boxes contain the following properties.

- Network or Host** The network or host to which the throttle applies.

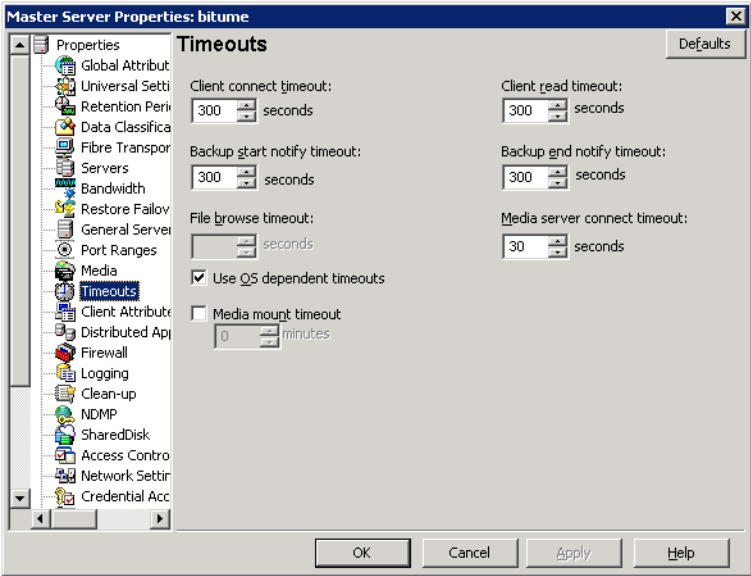
Bandwidth (KB/Sec)

The bandwidth or the transfer rate in kilobyte per second for the network or host indicated. A value of zero disables throttling IPv6 addresses.

# Timeouts properties

The **Timeouts** properties apply to selected master servers, media servers, and clients.

Figure 3-69      Timeouts dialog box



The **Timeouts** dialog box contains the following properties.

Table 3-63      Timeouts dialog box properties

Property	Description
Client connect timeout	Specifies the number of seconds the server waits before it times out when it connects to a client. The default is 300 seconds.
Backup start notify timeout	Specifies the number of seconds the server waits for the <code>bpstart_notify</code> script on a client to complete. The default is 300 seconds. <b>Note:</b> If this timeout is changed, verify that <b>Client read timeout</b> is set to the same or higher value.

Table 3-63 Timeouts dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>File browse timeout</b>	<p>Specifies how long the client can wait for a response from the NetBackup master server while it lists files.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If it exists, the value in a UNIX client's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence to the property here.</p> <p>If the limit is exceeded, the user receives a socket read failed error. The timeout can be exceeded even while the server processes the request.</p>
<b>Use OS dependent timeouts</b>	<p>Specifies that the client waits for the timeout period as determined by the operating system when it lists files, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Windows client: 300 seconds</li> <li>■ UNIX client: 1800 seconds</li> </ul>
<b>Media mount timeout</b>	<p>Specifies how long NetBackup waits for the requested media to be mounted, positioned, and ready on backups, restores, and duplications.</p> <p>This property applies to currently selected master servers.</p> <p>Use this timeout to eliminate excessive waiting time during manual media mounts. (For example, when robotic media is out of the robot or is off site.)</p>
<b>Client read timeout</b>	<p>Specifies the number of seconds to use for the client-read timeout. This timeout can apply to a NetBackup master, remote media server, or database-extension client (such as NetBackup for Oracle). The default is 300 seconds.</p> <p>If the server does not get a response from a client within the <b>Client read timeout</b> period, the backup or restore operation, for example, fails.</p> <p>The client-read timeout on a database-extension client is a special case. Clients can initially require more time to get ready than other clients. More time is required because database backup utilities frequently start several backup jobs at the same time, slowing the central processing unit.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> For database-extension clients, Symantec suggests that the <b>Client read timeout</b> be set to a value greater than 5 minutes. 15 minutes are adequate for many installations. For other clients, change this property only if the client encounters problems.</p> <p>The sequence on a database-extension client is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ NetBackup on the database-extension client reads the client's client-read timeout to find the initial value. If the option is not set, the standard 5-minute default is used.</li> <li>■ When the database-extension API receives the server's value, it uses it as the client-read timeout.</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Client Settings (UNIX) properties</a>" on page 102.</p>

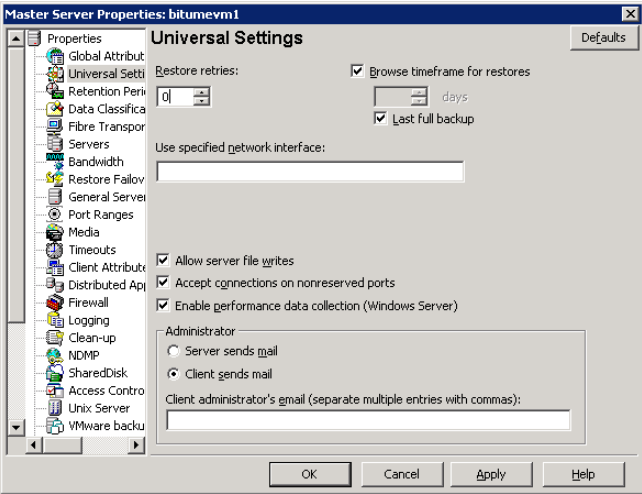
Table 3-63                      Timeouts dialog box properties (continued)

Property	Description
Backup end notify timeout	Specifies the number of seconds that the server waits for the bpend_notify script on a client to complete. The default is 300 seconds.  <b>Note:</b> If this timeout is changed, verify that <b>Client read timeout</b> is set to the same or higher value.
Media server connect timeout	Specifies the number of seconds that the master server waits before it times out when it connects to a remote media server. The default is 30 seconds.

# Universal Settings properties

Use the **Universal Settings** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to configure basic backup and restore settings. These properties apply to selected master servers, media servers, and clients.

Figure 3-70                      Universal Settings dialog box



The **Universal Settings** dialog box contains the following options.

**Table 3-64** Universal Settings dialog box properties

Property	Description
<b>Restore retries</b>	<p>Specifies the number of attempts a client has to restore after a failure. (The default is 0; the client does not attempt to retry a restore. The client can try up to three times.) Change <b>Restore retries</b> only if problems are encountered.</p> <p>If a job fails after the maximum number of retries, the job goes into an incomplete state. The job remains in the incomplete state as determined by the <b>Move restore job from incomplete state to done state</b> property.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Clean-up properties</a>” on page 83.</p> <p>A checkpointed job is retried from the start of the last checkpointed file rather than at the beginning of the job.</p> <p><b>Checkpoint restart</b> for restore jobs allows a NetBackup administrator to resume a failed restore job from the Activity Monitor.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Take checkpoints every __ minutes (policy attribute)</a>” on page 620.</p>
<b>Browse timeframe for restores</b>	<p>Specifies how long ago NetBackup searches for files to restore. For example, to limit the browse range to one week before the current date, clear the <b>Last full backup</b> check box and specify 7.</p> <p>This limit is specified on the master server and applies to all NetBackup clients. A limit can be specified on an individual client to reduce the size of the Search window. The client setting cannot make the browse window larger.</p> <p>By default, NetBackup includes files from the time of the last-full backup through the latest backup for the client. If the client belongs to more than one policy, then the browse starts with the earliest of the set of last-full backups.</p>
<b>Last full backup</b>	<p>Indicates whether NetBackup includes all backups since the last successful full backup in its browse range. This property must be disabled to enter a value for the <b>Browse timeframe for restores</b> property. The default is that this property is enabled.</p>
<b>Allow server file writes</b>	<p>Specifies whether a NetBackup server can create or modify files on the NetBackup client. For example, enable this property to prevent server-directed restores and remote changes to the client properties.</p> <p>After the <b>Allow server file writes</b> property is applied, it can be cleared only by modifying the client configuration. The default is that server writes are allowed.</p>

Table 3-64 Universal Settings dialog box properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Logging the status of a redirected restore</b>	<p>No progress log is produced for a redirected restore if the requesting server is not included in the server list for the server that performs the restore. (A progress log is an entry in the <b>Task Progress</b> tab of the Backup, Archive, and Restore client interface.)</p> <p>Without the entry in the server list, the restoring server has no access to write the log files to the requesting server.</p> <p>Consider the following solutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ To produce a progress log, add the requesting server to the server list and log into the requesting server. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Master Servers</b>.</li> <li>■ In the details pane, double-click on master server you want to modify, and click <b>Servers</b> from the options pane.</li> <li>■ Add the restoring server to the server list.</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Log on to the restoring server. Check the Activity Monitor to determine the success of the restore operation.</li> </ul>
<b>Accept connections on nonreserved ports</b>	<p>Specifies whether the NetBackup client service (<code>bpcd</code>) can accept remote connections from non-reserved ports. (Non-reserved ports have port numbers of 1024 or greater.) The default is that this property is enabled.</p> <p>This property no longer applies. For information about this property, refer to NetBackup 6.5 documentation.</p>
<b>Enable performance data collection (Windows server only)</b>	<p>Specifies whether NetBackup updates disk and tape performance object counters. (Applies only to Windows master and media servers. Use the Windows Performance Monitor utility (<code>perfmon</code>) to view the NetBackup performance counters. The default is that this property is enabled.</p>
<b>Client sends mail</b>	<p>Specifies whether the client sends an email to the address that is specified in the <b>Universal Settings</b> properties. If the client cannot send email, use <b>Server sends mail</b>. The default is that this property is enabled.</p>
<b>Server sends mail</b>	<p>Specifies whether the server sends an email to the address that is specified in the <b>Global Attributes</b> properties. Enable this property if the client cannot send mail and you want an email notification. The default is that this property is disabled.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Global Attributes properties</a>” on page 145.</p>
<b>Client administrator’s email</b>	<p>Specifies the email address of the administrator on the client. This address is where NetBackup sends backup status reports for the client. By default, no email is sent. To enter multiple addresses or email aliases, separate entries with commas.</p>



## Logging the status of a redirected restore

A redirected restore may not produce a progress log. The name of the requesting server must appear in the server list for the server that performs the restore. Otherwise, no progress log is produced for a redirected restore. (A progress log is an entry in the **Task Progress** tab of the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface.)

Without the entry in the server list, the restoring server has no access to write the log files to the requesting server. Add the requesting server to the server list and log into the requesting server.

### To produce a progress log

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers**.
- 2 In the right pane, double-click the master server you want to modify.  
In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click **Servers**.
- 3 Perform one of the following actions:

To add the restoring server to the  
**Additional servers** list

From the **Media servers** list, click **Add**.

To add the restoring server to the  
**Media servers** list

From the **Additional servers** list, click **Add**.

- 4 In the **Add a New Server Entry** dialog box, type the name of the new server.
- 5 Click **Add**. The dialog box remains open for another entry.
- 6 Click **Close**.
- 7 Log on to the restoring server.

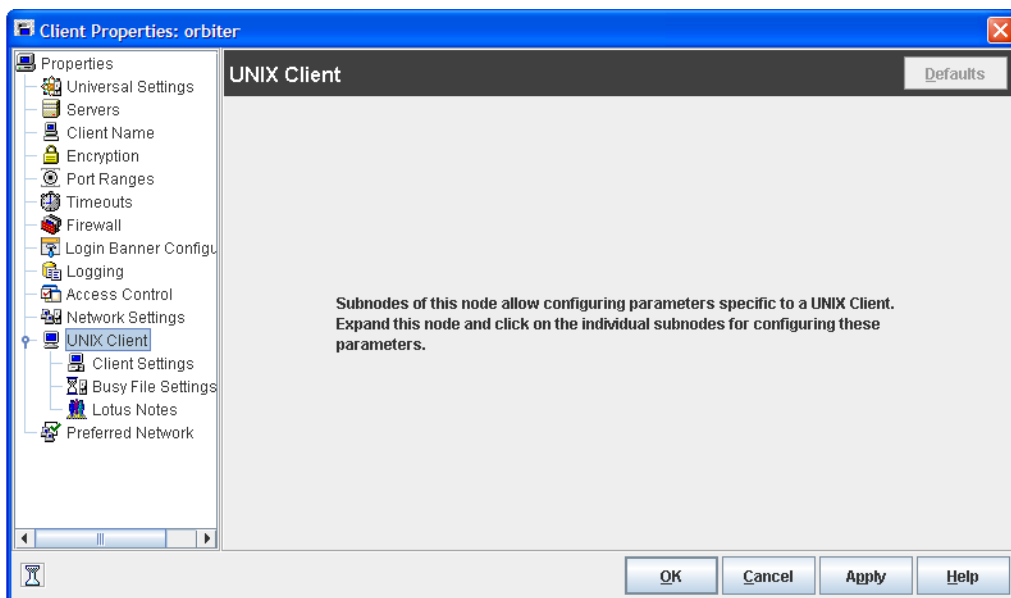
Check the **Activity Monitor** to determine the success of the restore operation.

See [“About the Jobs tab”](#) on page 904.

## UNIX Client properties

Use the **UNIX Client** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to define properties of UNIX clients.

**Figure 3-71** UNIX Client dialog box



See [“Client Settings \(UNIX\) properties”](#) on page 102.

See [“Busy File Settings properties”](#) on page 81.

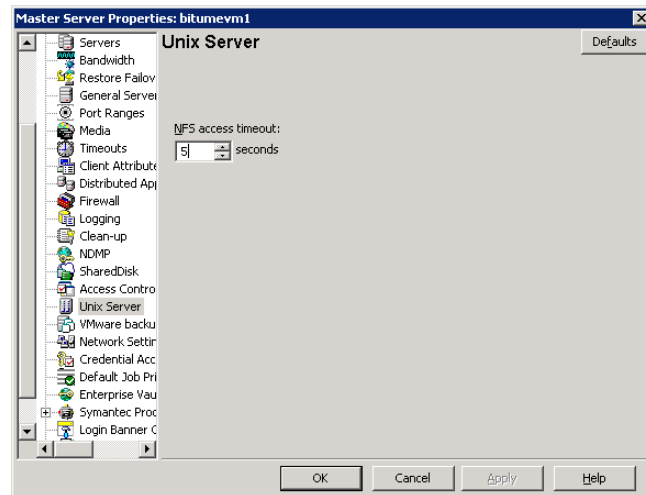
See [“Lotus Notes properties”](#) on page 162.

## UNIX Server properties

Use the **UNIX Server** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to change the **NFS access timeout** property. This property specifies how long the backup waits to process the mount table before it considers an NFS file system unavailable. The default is 5 seconds.

These properties apply to selected UNIX master servers.

**Figure 3-72** UNIX Server dialog box

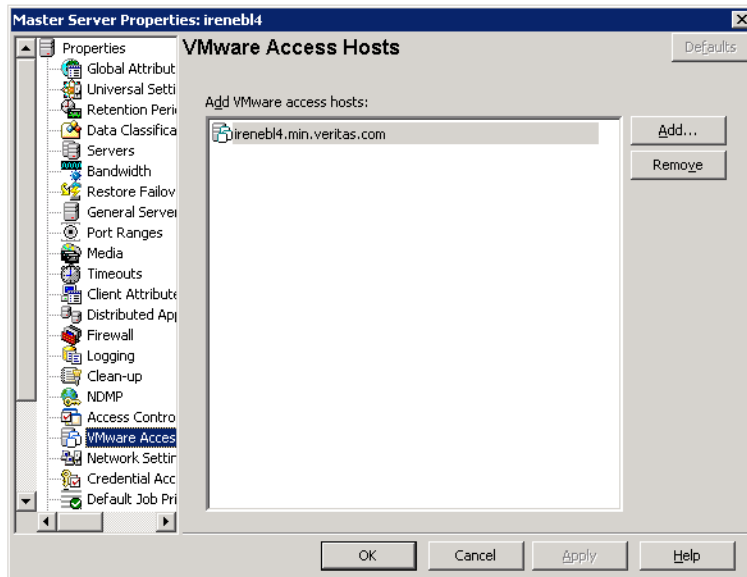


See [“Follow NFS \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 627.

## VMware Access Hosts properties

Use the **VMware backup hosts** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to add or remove VMware backup hosts. These properties appear when the NetBackup Enterprise Client license is installed. These properties apply to currently selected master servers.

Figure 3-73 VMware Access Hosts dialog box



You can add servers to and remove servers from the backup hosts list.

A VMware backup host is a server on the same SAN as a VMware ESX server. The VMware ESX server must be able to access the snapshot of the VMware virtual machine. A backup host can provide access to the files for third-party backup vendors.

For more information, see the *NetBackup for VMware Administrator's Guide*.

## VSP (Volume Snapshot Provider) properties

Use the **Volume Snapshot Provider** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to change the way NetBackup manages snapshots. These properties are displayed when the selected client is running NetBackup 6.x. The VSP properties do not appear for 7.x clients.

See the following topic for information about selecting VSP for backlevel and upgraded clients:

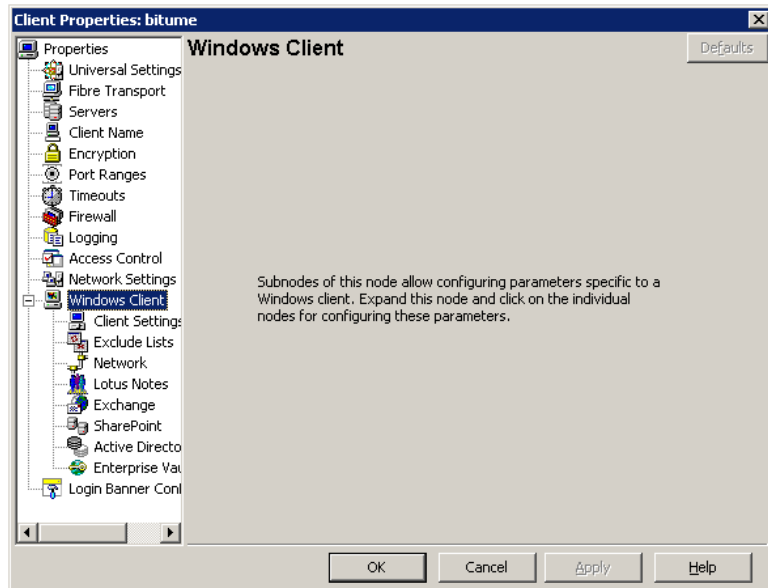
See [“Back-level and upgraded clients that use Windows Open File Backup”](#) on page 100.

For information about VSP settings, see the *6.5 NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume I*.

# Windows Client properties

Use the **Windows Client** properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to define NetBackup properties for Microsoft Windows clients.

**Figure 3-74** Windows Client dialog box



**Windows Client** properties include specific host properties for configuring Windows clients.

## About bp.conf entries

Instead of changing configuration options in the **Host Properties**, administrators may enter or change options in the `bp.conf` file. The file is found in the following location:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf
```

Use the `bpgetconfig` command to first obtain a list of configuration entries in the `bp.conf` file. Then use `bpsetconfig` to change the entries.

For information about `bpgetconfig` and `bpsetconfig`, see *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*. If a single UNIX system is running as both a client and a server, the `bp.conf` file contains options for both the client and the server.

See “[About the bp.conf entries for servers](#)” on page 226.

See “[bp.conf options for UNIX clients](#)” on page 282.

Each nonroot user on a UNIX client can also have a personal `bp.conf` file in their home directory:

```
$HOME/bp.conf
```

Use the following syntax rules to create entries in `bp.conf`:

- Use the `#` symbol to comment out lines.
- Any number of spaces or tabs are allowed on either side of `=` signs.
- Blank lines are allowed.
- Any number of blanks or tabs are allowed at the start of a line.

## About the bp.conf entries for servers

Stop and restart all NetBackup daemons and utilities after you make a change to the `bp.conf` file on the master server. This action ensures that all of the NetBackup processes use the new `bp.conf` values. This action is not required for changes to `bp.conf` files on a client or to a `$HOME/bp.conf` file on the master server.

The `SERVER` option must be present in the `/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf` file on all NetBackup UNIX clients and servers. During installation, NetBackup sets the `SERVER` option to the name of the master server where the software is installed. It is the only required entry in the `bp.conf` files. NetBackup uses internal software defaults for all options in the `bp.conf` file, except `SERVER`.

The `SERVER` entries must be the same on all servers in a master and a media server cluster. Symantec recommends (but does not require) that all other entries also match on all servers. (The `CLIENT_NAME` entry is an exception.)

## ALLOW\_MEDIA\_OVERWRITE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry overrides the NetBackup overwrite protection for various media formats on removable media.

Table 3-65 ALLOW\_MEDIA\_OVERWRITE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a master server.

**Table 3-65** ALLOW\_MEDIA\_OVERWRITE information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	On a UNIX master server, add <code>ALLOW_MEDIA_OVERWRITE</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.
Example	On the master server (and media servers if applicable), add the following to permit overwriting the <code>cpio</code> format:  <code>ALLOW_MEDIA_OVERWRITE = CPIO</code>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> > Double-click on master or media server > <b>Media &gt; Allow media overwrite</b> .  See “ <a href="#">Media properties</a> ” on page 165.

## ALLOW\_NON\_RESERVED\_PORTS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

This option is not applicable to NetBackup 7.0.1 or later.

This entry specifies that the NetBackup Client daemon (`bpcd`) can accept remote connections from unauthorized ports (port numbers 1024 or greater). If this entry is not present, `bpcd` requires remote connections to come from privileged ports (port numbers 1024 or smaller). This option is useful when NetBackup clients and servers are on opposite sides of a firewall.

**Table 3-66** ALLOW\_NON\_RESERVED\_PORTS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.
How to use	Add <code>ALLOW_NON_RESERVED_PORTS</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file using the following syntax:  <code>ALLOW_NON_RESERVED_PORTS = YES   NO</code>  This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> > Double-click on master server, media server, or client > <b>Universal Settings &gt; Accept Connections on Non-reserved Ports</b> .  See “ <a href="#">Universal Settings properties</a> ” on page 218.

# AUTHENTICATION\_DOMAIN bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

This entry defines a set of NetBackup product authentication principles.

Table 3-67 AUTHENTICATION\_DOMAIN information

Usage	Description
Where to use	<p>A master server, media server, or client that uses NetBackup product authentication and authorization must have at least one AUTHENTICATION_DOMAIN entry. More than one can be specified.</p> <p>If a media server or client does not define an authentication domain, it uses the authentication domains of its master server.</p>
How to use	<p>Add AUTHENTICATION_DOMAIN to the /usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file.</p> <pre>AUTHENTICATION_DOMAIN = domain "comment" mechanism broker [port]</pre> <p>The following variables are defined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <i>domain</i> is an Internet domain name or a Windows domain name.</li><li>■ <i>"comment"</i> is a quoted comment that describes the authentication domain.</li><li>■ <i>mechanism</i> is the authentication mechanism.</li></ul> <p>The keywords for various mechanisms are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ NIS: Network Information Service version 1</li><li>■ NIS+: Network Information Service version 2</li><li>■ PASSWD: Local UNIX password file on the specified broker</li><li>■ VXPDP: The NetBackup product authentication and authorization private database</li><li>■ WINDOWS: Windows Active Directory or primary domain controller</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <i>broker</i> is the host name or IP address of the authentication broker.</li><li>■ <i>port</i> is the port number of the authentication broker. The default is the standard port number for authentication brokers.</li></ul>



**Table 3-67** AUTHENTICATION\_DOMAIN information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
Example	<p>AUTHENTICATION_DOMAIN = mycompany.com "Typical UNIX logins"  NIS broker1.mycompany.com  AUTHENTICATION_DOMAIN = OurEnterprise "Typical Windows logins"  WINDOWS broker2.mycompany.com 5544  AUTHENTICATION_DOMAIN = mycompany.com "VxSS-Only Identities"  VXPD broker1.mycompany.com  AUTHENTICATION_DOMAIN = broker3.mycompany.com "Local  UNIX Logins on host broker3" PASSWD broker3.mycompany.com</p> <p>In the example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ mycompany.com is the Internet domain name and OurEnterprise is the Windows domain name.</li> <li>■ The broker on host name broker1 handles both NIS and private authentication for NetBackup product authentication.</li> <li>■ The broker on host name broker2 handles Windows authentication for NetBackup product authentication.</li> <li>■ broker2 uses the non-standard port number 5544.</li> <li>■ The broker on host name broker3 uses its local /etc/passwd file for NetBackup product authentication.</li> </ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server or client &gt; <b>Access Control &gt; Authentication Domain.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Authentication Domain tab”</a> on page 70.</p>

## AUTHORIZATION\_SERVICE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry defines the NetBackup Product Authorization Service that the local NetBackup server uses.

**Table 3-68** AUTHORIZATION\_SERVICE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	<p>A master server that uses NetBackup product authorization must define an authorization service. If a media server does not define an authorization service, it uses its master server's authorization service.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>

Table 3-68 AUTHORIZATION\_SERVICE information (continued)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>On a UNIX master server, add AUTHORIZATION_SERVICE to the /usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file.</p> <p>AUTHORIZATION_SERVICE = host [ port ]</p> <p>The following variables are defined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ host is the host name or IP address of the authorization service.</li><li>■ port is the port number of the authorization service. The default is the standard port number for the authorization service.</li></ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master or media server &gt; Access Control &gt; Authorization Service.</b></p> <p>See “Authorization Service tab” on page 72.</p>

AUTO\_ADD\_ALL\_ALIASES\_FOR\_CLIENT

This entry allows client aliases to be automatically added to the NetBackup database when bpdbm detects a new client in a backup policy.

Table 3-69 AUTO\_ADD\_ALL\_ALIASES\_FOR\_CLIENT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX or Windows master server.
How to use	<p>By default, AUTO_ADD_ALL_ALIASES_FOR_CLIENT does not appear in the /usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file. When not present,</p> <p>AUTO_ADD_ALL_ALIASES_FOR_CLIENT = YES</p> <p>If present, this entry should appear only once in the bp.conf file.</p>
Example	<p>The following entry prohibits bpdbm from adding a client alias automatically.</p> <p>AUTO_ADD_ALL_ALIASES_FOR_CLIENT = NO</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

BPBRM\_VERBOSE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

Used for debugging purposes, the BPBRM\_VERBOSE entry controls the amount of information NetBackup includes in the bpbm debug log.

**Table 3-70** BPBRM\_VERBOSE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>BPBRM_VERBOSE</code> to the <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The default is that <code>BPBRM_VERBOSE</code> is the same value as the <code>bp.conf</code> <code>VERBOSE</code> entry (<b>Global logging level</b>). The <code>BPBRM_VERBOSE</code> entry overrides the <code>VERBOSE</code> entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Example	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ To use the same value as the <code>bp.conf</code> <code>VERBOSE</code> entry for <code>bpbrm</code>, enter:           <pre>BPBRM_VERBOSE = 0</pre> <p>This entry is the same as the <b>BPBRM logging level</b> set to <b>Same as Global</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties.</p> </li> <li>■ To log the minimum amount of information for <code>bpbrm</code>, enter:           <pre>BPBRM_VERBOSE = -1</pre> <p>This entry is the same as the <b>BPBRM logging level</b> set to zero in the <b>Logging</b> host properties.</p> </li> <li>■ To log additional information for <code>bpbrm</code>, enter a value of 1 through 5:           <pre>BPBRM_VERBOSE = 1</pre> <p>This entry is the same as the <b>BPBRM logging level</b> set to one in the <b>Logging</b> host properties.</p> </li> <li>■ To log the maximum amount of information for <code>bpbrm</code>, enter:           <pre>BPBRM_VERBOSE = 5</pre> <p>The entry is the same as the <b>BPBRM logging level</b> set to five in the <b>Logging</b> host properties.</p> </li> </ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Logging &gt; BPBRM logging level.</b></p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i> for more information about the debug log. See <a href="#">“Logging properties”</a> on page 152.</p>

## BPDBJOBS\_COLDEFS `bp.conf` entries for UNIX servers

Use `BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS` entries to customize the output of the `bpdbjobs` process. Add a `BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS` entry for every column you want to include in the output.

Add BPDBJOBS\_COLDEFS entries to the bp.conf file to customize the output of bpdjobs.

Table 3-71 BPDBJOBS\_COLDEFS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS to the /usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file.</p> <p>Add an entry for every column to include in the output by using the following format:</p> <pre>BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = COLDEFS_ENTRY [minimum_size [true   false]]</pre> <p>The following variables are defined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ COLDEFS_ENTRY is the name of the column to include in the output.</li><li>■ minimum_size is the minimum column width. If not specified, the default is a width of 5.</li><li>■ true indicates that the column should expand as needed. If not specified, true is the default.</li><li>■ false indicates that the column should not expand beyond the minimum_size.</li></ul>
Example	<p>The order of the entries determines the order that the column headings appear.</p> <pre>BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = JOBID 5 true BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = TYPE 4 true BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = STATE 5 true BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = STATUS 6 true BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = POLICY 6 true BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = SCHEDULE 8 true BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = CLIENT 6 true BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = DSTMEDIA_SERVER 12 true BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS = ACTPID 10 true</pre> <p>The following items are the ramifications of a BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS entry in the bp.conf conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The addition of any BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS entry overrides all default columns.</li><li>■ All users on the local system see only those columns that are specified in the bp.conf file.</li></ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

Table 3-72 shows possible COLDEFS entries and the column which is created by each.

**Table 3-72** COLREFS entries

COLDEFS entry	Column Name
ACTIVEELAPSED	<b>Active Elapsed</b> (elapsed active time)
ACTPID	<b>Active PID</b> (PID of job)
ATTEMPT	<b>Attempt</b>
BACKUPTYPE	<b>Backup Type</b>
CLIENT	<b>Client</b>
COMPLETION	<b>Completion</b> (percent complete)
COMPRESSION	<b>Compression</b> (yes or no)
DEDUPRATIO	<b>Dedup</b> (shows deduplication rate in bpd jobs command output)
DSTMEDIA_SERVER	<b>Dest Media Svr</b> (writing media server)
DSTMEDIAID	<b>Dest Media ID</b> (writing media ID)
DSTSTORAGE_UNIT	<b>Dest StUnit</b> (writing storage unit)
ELAPSED	<b>Elapsed</b> (elapsed time)
ENDED	<b>Ended</b>
ESTFILE	<b>Est File</b> (estimated number of files)
ESTKB	<b>Est KB</b> (estimated number of kilobytes)
FILES	<b>Files</b>
GROUP	<b>Group</b>
JOBID	<b>JobID</b>
KBPERSEC	<b>KB Per Sec</b>
KILOBYTES	<b>Kilobytes</b>
LASTBACKUP	<b>Last Backup</b> (date and time)
MAINPID	<b>Main PID</b> (PID that spawns job, if applicable)
NUMTAPESEJECT	<b>Media to Eject</b> (number of tapes to eject; Vault only)

**Table 3-72** COLREFS entries (*continued*)

COLDEFS entry	Column Name
OPERATION	<b>Operation</b> (current operation)
OWNER	<b>Owner</b>
PATHNAME	<b>Pathname</b>
PARENTJOBID	<b>Parent JobID</b>
POLICY	<b>Policy</b>
POLICYTYPE	<b>Policy Type</b>
PRIORITY	<b>Priority</b>
PROFILE	<b>Profile</b> (Vault only)
RETENTION	<b>Retention</b> (retention period)
RESUMABLE	<b>Resumable</b>
ROBOT	<b>Robot</b> (Vault only)
RQSTPID	<b>Request PID</b> (PID requesting job, if applicable)
SCHEDULE	<b>Schedule</b>
SCHEDULETYPE	<b>Schedule Type</b>
SESSIONID	<b>Session ID</b> (Vault only)
SRCMEDIA_SERVER	<b>Src Media Svr</b>
SRCMEDIAID	<b>Src Media ID</b>
SRCSTORAGE_UNIT	<b>Src StUnit</b>
STARTED	<b>Started</b>
STATE	<b>State</b>
STATUS	<b>Status</b>
STREAMNUMBER	<b>Stream Number</b>
SUSPENDABLE	<b>Suspendable</b>
TYPE	<b>Type</b> (job type)

**Table 3-72** COLREFS entries (*continued*)

COLDEFS entry	Column Name
VAULT	<b>Vault</b> (Vault only)

## BPDBM\_VERBOSE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

Used for debugging purposes, the `BPDBM_VERBOSE` option controls the amount of information NetBackup includes in the `bpdbm` debug log.

**Table 3-73** BPDBM\_VERBOSE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>The default is that the value is the same as the <code>bp.conf</code> <code>VERBOSE</code> entry (<b>Global logging level</b>). The <code>BPDBM_VERBOSE</code> entry overrides the <code>bp.conf</code> <code>VERBOSE</code> entry (<b>Global logging level</b>).</p> <p>Add <code>BPDBM_VERBOSE</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ To use the same value as the <code>bp.conf</code> <code>VERBOSE</code> entry for <code>bpdbm</code>, enter: <pre>BPDBM_VERBOSE = 0</pre> <p>The entry is the same as setting <b>BPDBM logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to <b>Same as Global</b>.</p> </li> <li>■ To log the minimum amount of information for <code>bpdbm</code>, enter: <pre>BPDBM_VERBOSE = -1</pre> <p>The entry is the same as setting <b>BPDBM logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 0.</p> </li> <li>■ To log additional information for <code>bpdbm</code>, enter a value of 1 through 5: <pre>BPDBM_VERBOSE = 1</pre> <p>The entry is the same as setting <b>BPDBM logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 1.</p> </li> <li>■ To log the maximum amount of information for <code>bpdbm</code>, enter: <pre>BPDBM_VERBOSE = 5</pre> <p>The entry is the same as setting <b>BPDBM logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 5.</p> </li> </ul> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>

Table 3-73 BPDBM\_VERBOSE information (continued)

Usage	Description
Example	<p>The following examples show two <code>bp.conf</code> entries which enable logging, while they minimize the growth rate of the <code>bpdbm</code> debug file:</p> <pre>VERBOSE = 5 BPDBM_VERBOSE = -1</pre>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Logging &gt; Global logging level.</b></p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i> for more information about logging.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Logging properties</a>” on page 152.</p>

## BPRD\_VERBOSE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

Used for debugging purposes, the `BPRD_VERBOSE` option controls the amount of information that NetBackup includes in its `bprd` debug logs.

Table 3-74 BPRD\_VERBOSE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.



**Table 3-74** BPRD\_VERBOSE information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>The default is that the value is the same as the <b>bp.conf VERBOSE</b> entry (<b>Global logging level</b>). The <b>BPRD_VERBOSE</b> entry overrides the <b>bp.conf VERBOSE</b> entry (<b>Global logging level</b>).</p> <p>Add <b>BPRD_VERBOSE</b> to the <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ To use the same value as the <b>bp.conf VERBOSE</b> entry for <b>bprd</b>, enter: <pre>BPRD_VERBOSE = 0</pre> <p>The entry is the same as setting <b>BPRD logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to <b>Same as Global</b>.</p> </li> <li>■ To log the minimum amount of information for <b>bprd</b>, enter: <pre>BPRD_VERBOSE = -1</pre> <p>The entry is the same as setting <b>BPRD logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 0.</p> </li> <li>■ To log additional information for <b>bprd</b>, enter a value of 1 through 5: <pre>BPRD_VERBOSE = 1</pre> <p>The entry is the same as setting <b>BPRD logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 1.</p> </li> <li>■ To log the maximum amount of information for <b>bprd</b>, enter: <pre>BPRD_VERBOSE = 5</pre> <p>The entry is the same as setting <b>BPRD logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 5.</p> </li> </ul> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Logging &gt; Global logging level</b>.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i> for more information about the debug log.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Logging properties</a>” on page 152.</p>

## BPTM\_VERBOSE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

Used for debugging purposes, the **BPTM\_VERBOSE** option controls the amount of information NetBackup includes in the **bptm** debug logs.

Table 3-75 BPTM\_VERBOSE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>The default is that the value is the same as the <code>bp.conf</code> <code>VERBOSE</code> entry (<b>Global logging level</b>). The <code>BPTM_VERBOSE</code> entry overrides the <code>bp.conf</code> <code>VERBOSE</code> entry (<b>Global logging level</b>).</p> <p>Add <code>BPTM_VERBOSE</code> to the <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ To use the same value as the <code>bp.conf</code> <code>VERBOSE</code> entry for <code>bptm</code>, enter:  <code>BPTM_VERBOSE = 0</code>  The entry is the same as setting <b>BPTM logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to <b>Same as Global</b>.</li><li>■ To log the minimum amount of information for <code>bptm</code>, enter:  <code>BPTM_VERBOSE = -1</code>  The entry is the same as setting <b>BPTM logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 0.</li><li>■ To log additional information for <code>bptm</code>, enter a value of 1 through 5:  <code>BPTM_VERBOSE = 1</code>  The entry is the same as setting <b>BPTM logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 1.</li><li>■ To log the maximum amount of information for <code>bptm</code>, enter:  <code>BPTM_VERBOSE = 5</code>  The entry is the same as setting <b>BPTM logging level</b> in the <b>Logging</b> host properties to 5.</li></ul> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Logging</b> &gt; <b>Global logging level</b>.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i> for more information about the debug log.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Logging properties</a>” on page 152.</p>

BPEND\_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `BPEND_TIMEOUT` entry specifies the number of seconds to wait for the `bpend_notify` script on a client to complete. The default timeout is 300 seconds.

**Table 3-76** BPEND\_TIMEOUT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>BPEND_TIMEOUT</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If this option is changed, verify that the <code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT</code> option is set to the same or higher value.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Timeouts &gt; Backup end notify timeout.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">Timeouts properties</a>” on page 216.</p>

## BPSTART\_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `BPSTART_TIMEOUT` entry specifies the number of seconds to wait for the `bpstart_notify` script on a client to complete. The default timeout is 300 seconds.

**Table 3-77** BPSTART\_TIMEOUT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>BPSTART_TIMEOUT</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If this option is changed, verify that the <code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT</code> option is also set to the same or higher value.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Timeouts &gt; Backup start notify timeout.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">Timeouts properties</a>” on page 216.</p>

## CHECK\_RESTORE\_CLIENT bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `CHECK_RESTORE_CLIENT` entry specifies that the client to be restored to is checked before the restore starts. An unresponsive client can slow restores for other clients that have data on the same tapes.

Table 3-78 CHECK\_RESTORE\_CLIENT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	Add CHECK_RESTORE_CLIENT to the /usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file. This option applies only to master servers.  This entry should appear only once in the bp.conf file.
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## CLIENT\_CONNECT\_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry specifies the number of seconds that the server waits when it connects to a client. If the server needs to wait longer than the time specified, it times out. The default timeout is 300 seconds.

Table 3-79 CLIENT\_CONNECT\_TIMEOUT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	Add CLIENT_CONNECT_TIMEOUT to the /usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file.  This entry should appear only once in the bp.conf file.
Example	CLIENT_CONNECT_TIMEOUT = 300
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Timeouts &gt; Client connect timeout.</b>  See <a href="#">“Timeouts properties”</a> on page 216.

## CLIENT\_PORT\_WINDOW bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

This entry specifies the range of nonreserved ports on this computer that are used for connecting to NetBackup on other computers. This setting applies when it connects to a client configured to accept nonreserved ports.

Table 3-80 CLIENT\_PORT\_WINDOW information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On NetBackup servers or clients.

**Table 3-80** CLIENT\_PORT\_WINDOW information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	Add <code>CLIENT_PORT_WINDOW</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.
Example	<p><code>CLIENT_PORT_WINDOW = 4800 5000</code></p> <p>If 0 is specified for the first number (default), the operating system determines the nonreserved port to use.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Port Ranges &gt; Client port</b> window.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Port Ranges properties”</a> on page 179.</p>

## CLIENT\_READ\_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT` entry specifies the number of seconds to use for the client-read timeout.

If the master server does not get a response from a client within the `CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT` period, the backup or restore operation, for example, fails.

**Table 3-81** CLIENT\_READ\_TIMEOUT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.

Table 3-81 CLIENT\_READ\_TIMEOUT information (continued)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>By default, <code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT</code> is not present on the server or the database agent and the client-read timeout is 300 seconds. This time is a reasonable default. Change only in the event of problems.</p> <p><code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT</code> on a database agent is a special case because these types of clients can initially require more time to get ready than other clients. Database backup utilities frequently start several backup jobs at the same time, which can slow the CPU.</p> <p>The sequence on a database agent is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ NetBackup on the database agent reads the client's <code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT</code> to find the value to use initially. If the option is not set, the standard default of five minutes is used.</li><li>■ When the database agent API receives the server's value, it uses it as the <code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT</code>.</li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Symantec suggests setting <code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT</code> on the database agent to a value greater than 5 minutes. A setting of 15 minutes is adequate for many installations.</p>
Example	<code>CLIENT_READ_TIMEOUT = 300</code>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Timeouts &gt; Client read timeout.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Timeouts properties”</a> on page 216.</p>

## CLIENT\_RESERVED\_PORT\_WINDOW bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

The `CLIENT_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW` entry specifies the range of reserved ports on this computer that are used for connecting to NetBackup on other computers. This setting applies when the computer connects to a client configured to accept only reserved ports.

Table 3-82 CLIENT\_RESERVED\_PORT\_WINDOW information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.

**Table 3-82** CLIENT\_RESERVED\_PORT\_WINDOW information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	Add <code>CLIENT_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW</code> to the <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.
Example	<p>The following example permits ports from 900 through 1023:</p> <pre>CLIENT_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW = 900 1023</pre> <p>The default is from 512 through 1023. Note that if 0 is specified for the first number, a nonreserved port is used instead. The operating system chooses the nonreserved port.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Port Ranges &gt; Client reserved port</b> window.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Port Ranges properties”</a> on page 179.</p>

## CONNECT\_OPTIONS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `CONNECT_OPTIONS` entry specifies the following options that are designed to enhance firewall efficiency with NetBackup:

- Whether the host is connected to by using a reserved or a nonreserved port number.
- Whether the host is connected to by another server by using the traditional call-back method or by using the Veritas Network daemon (`vnetd`).
- Whether the host is connected to by using `vnetd` or the daemon’s port number.
- Whether the host is connected to by using `vnetd` only.
- Whether the host is connected to by using the daemon’s port number only.

**Table 3-83** CONNECT\_OPTIONS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.

Table 3-83 CONNECT\_OPTIONS information (continued)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <code>CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <pre>CONNECT_OPTIONS = host [ 0   1   2 ] [ 0   1   2 ] [ 0   1   2   3   4 ]</pre> <p>The following variables are defined:</p> <p><i>Host</i> is a remote NetBackup system that the local computer connects to. You may have multiple <code>CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> entries in the configuration. If a host is not specified in any <code>CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> entries, the values from the <code>DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> entry are used.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers</a>” on page 246.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Universal Settings properties</a>” on page 218.</p>
	<p>The first setting indicates the type of port to use to connect to <code>bpcd</code> on <i>host</i>:</p> <p>0 = Connections to <code>bpcd</code> from the local computer should use a reserved source port number. It is selected from the <code>CLIENT_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW</code> range. (Default.)</p> <p>1 = Connections to <code>bpcd</code> from the local computer should use a non-reserved source port number that is selected from the <code>CLIENT_PORT_WINDOW</code> range. If this option is selected, enable <b>Allow non reserved ports</b> for the selected <i>host</i>.</p> <p>In the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, see the <b>Universal Settings</b> dialog box under <b>Host Properties &gt; Media Servers</b>.</p> <p>2 = Use the method that the <code>DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> configuration entry defines.</p>
	<p>The second setting indicates the <code>bpcd</code> call-back method to use to connect to <i>host</i>:</p> <p>0 = Use the traditional call-back method. For connections to <code>bpcd</code> from the local computer, <code>bpcd</code> connects back to a random port number on the local computer that is selected from the <code>SERVER_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW</code> range, or <code>SERVER_PORT_WINDOW</code> range on the server.</p> <p>1 = Use the <code>vnetd</code> no call-back method. For connections to <code>bpcd</code> from the local computer, <code>bpcd</code> connects back to the <code>vnetd</code> port number on the server.</p> <p>2 = Use the method that the <code>DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> configuration entry defines (default).</p>



**Table 3-83** CONNECT\_OPTIONS information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
	<p>The third setting only affects connections to NetBackup 7.0 and earlier clients and servers. For connections to NetBackup 7.0.1 and later, the <code>veritas_pbx</code> port is used.</p> <p>This setting indicates the connection method to use to connect to <i>host</i>:</p> <p>0 = Connect to a daemon on the host by using <code>vnetd</code> if possible, otherwise connect by using the traditional port number of the daemon.</p> <p>1 = Connect to a daemon on the host by using <code>vnetd</code> only. This setting turns on <code>unidirectional bpcd</code>.</p> <p>2 = Connect to a daemon on the host by using the traditional port number of the daemon only.</p> <p>3 = Use the method that the <code>DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> configuration entry defines (default).</p>
Example	<p>The <code>bp.conf</code> file can contain <code>CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> settings for multiple hosts. For example:</p> <pre>CONNECT_OPTIONS = shark 0 0 0</pre> <p><code>bpcd</code> connections to server <code>shark</code> must use a reserved port number and the traditional call-back method.</p> <p>Connections to <code>bpdbm</code>, <code>vmd</code>, <code>bprd</code>, and robotic daemons on server <code>shark</code> can use either <code>vnetd</code> or the daemon's port number.</p> <pre>CONNECT_OPTIONS = dolphin 1 0 1</pre> <p><code>bpcd</code> connections to server <code>dolphin</code> must use a nonreserved port number and the traditional call-back method.</p> <p>Connections to <code>bpdbm</code>, <code>vmd</code>, <code>bprd</code>, and robotic daemons on server <code>dolphin</code> must use <code>vnetd</code>.</p> <pre>CONNECT_OPTIONS = perch 0 1 2</pre> <p><code>bpcd</code> connections to server <code>perch</code> must use a reserved port number and <code>vnetd</code>.</p> <p>Connections to <code>bpdbm</code>, <code>vmd</code>, <code>bprd</code>, and robotic daemons on server <code>perch</code> must use the daemon's port number.</p> <pre>CONNECT_OPTIONS = trout 1 1 2</pre> <p><code>bpcd</code> connections to server <code>trout</code> must use a nonreserved port number and <code>vnetd</code>.</p> <p>Connections to <code>bpdbm</code>, <code>vmd</code>, <code>bprd</code>, and robotic daemons on server <code>trout</code> must use the daemon's port number.</p>

Table 3-83 CONNECT\_OPTIONS information (continued)

Usage	Description
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server > <b>Firewall</b> .  See <a href="#">“Firewall properties”</a> on page 138.

DEFAULT\_CONNECT\_OPTIONS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS` entry specifies the default values for the `CONNECT_OPTIONS` configuration entry. If a host name is not specified in any `CONNECT_OPTIONS` entry, the value from the `DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS` entry is used.

Table 3-84 DEFAULT\_CONNECT\_OPTIONS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.

**Table 3-84** DEFAULT\_CONNECT\_OPTIONS information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <code>DEFAULT_CONNECT_OPTIONS</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If <code>vnetd</code> only (1) is selected as the daemon connection port, the BPCD connect-back setting is not applicable. If <code>vnetd</code> only (1) is selected as the daemon connection port, the non-reserved ports setting (1) is always used regardless of the value of the ports setting.</p> <p>The following variables are defined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The first setting indicates the type of port to use to connect to <code>bpcd</code> on the remote host: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 = Use a reserved port number (default).</li> <li>1 = Use a nonreserved port number. If this option is selected, enable <b>Allow non reserved ports</b> for the selected <i>host</i>. See the <b>Universal Settings</b> dialog box under <b>Host Properties &gt; Media Servers</b>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ The second setting indicates the <code>bpcd</code> call-back method to use to connect to the remote host: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 = Use the traditional call-back method</li> <li>1 = Use the <code>vnetd</code> no call-back method (default)</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ The third setting indicates the connection method to use to connect to the remote host. <p>This setting only affects connections to NetBackup 7.0 and earlier. For connections to NetBackup 7.0.1 and later, the <code>veritas_pbx</code> port is used.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0 = Connect to a daemon on the host by using <code>vnetd</code> if possible, otherwise connect by using the traditional port number of the daemon (default)</li> <li>1 = Connect to a daemon on the host by using <code>vnetd</code> only</li> <li>2 = Connect to a daemon on the host by using the traditional port number of the daemon only</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Firewall.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Firewall properties”</a> on page 138.</p>

## DISABLE\_JOB\_LOGGING bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry disables the logging of the job information that the NetBackup Activity Monitor requires. The default is that job logging occurs.

Table 3-85      DISABLE\_JOB\_LOGGING information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>DISABLE_JOB_LOGGING</code> to the <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>DISABLE_JOB_LOGGING</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Media &gt; Enable job logging</b>.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Media properties</a>” on page 165.</p>

DISABLE\_STANDALONE\_DRIVE\_EXTENSIONS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry disables the nonrobotic drive operations. During a backup, NetBackup automatically attempts to use standalone volumes in nonrobotic drives.

Table 3-86      DISABLE\_STANDALONE\_DRIVE\_EXTENSIONS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Change the <code>DISABLE_STANDALONE_DRIVE_EXTENSIONS</code> by using the <code>nbemmcmd</code> command.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Example	<pre>nbemmcmd -changesetting -DISABLE_STANDALONE_DRIVE_EXTENSIONS yes</pre> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i>.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Media &gt; Enable standalone drive extension</b>. The default is that this option is enabled.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Media properties</a>” on page 165.</p>

DISALLOW\_BACKUPS\_SPANNING\_MEDIA bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry prevents backups from spanning media. The default is that backups are allowed to span media.

**Table 3-87** DISALLOW\_BACKUPS\_SPANNING\_MEDIA information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>DISALLOW_BACKUPS_SPANNING_MEDIA</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>DISALLOW_BACKUPS_SPANNING_MEDIA</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Media &gt; Allow backups to span tape media.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">Media properties</a>” on page 165.</p>

## DISALLOW\_CLIENT\_LIST\_RESTORE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry denies the list and restore requests for all clients. When this option is present, clients cannot list or restore any files that they have backed up through this master server. The default is that this option is not present and clients can list and restore their files.

**Table 3-88** DISALLOW\_CLIENT\_LIST\_RESTORE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>DISALLOW_CLIENT_LIST_RESTORE</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>DISALLOW_CLIENT_LIST_RESTORE</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Override the <code>DISALLOW_CLIENT_LIST_RESTORE</code> option for individual clients by changing their <code>list_restore</code> setting.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Client Attributes &gt; Allow Client Restore.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">Client Attributes properties</a>” on page 87.</p>

## DISALLOW\_CLIENT\_RESTORE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry denies the restore requests for all clients. When this option is present, clients cannot restore the files that they have backed up through this master server. The default is that this option is not present and clients can restore their files.

Table 3-89 DISALLOW\_CLIENT\_RESTORE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>DISALLOW_CLIENT_RESTORE</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>DISALLOW_CLIENT_RESTORE</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> To override the <code>DISALLOW_CLIENT_RESTORE</code> option for individual clients, change their <code>list_restore</code> setting.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Client Attributes &gt; Allow Client Browse.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">Client Attributes properties</a>” on page 87.</p>

## EMMSERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry indicates the master or the media server that acts as the Enterprise Media Manager server for one or more master servers. The EMM server contains the database where media and device configuration information is stored.

Table 3-90 EMMSERVER information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>The EMMSERVER entry must be present on all master servers that share the EMM host.</p> <pre>EMMSERVER = server_name</pre> <p>The EMMSERVER entry applies only to servers at version 6.0 and later.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>

**Table 3-90** EMMSERVER information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p>No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About sharing an EMM server”</a> on page 963.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About sharing one Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) database across multiple master servers”</a> on page 211.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Servers properties”</a> on page 251.</p>

## ENABLE\_ROBUST\_LOGGING bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry indicates to NetBackup to limit the amount of disk space that one debug log directory consumes. When a log file grows to the maximum size, the log file is closed and a new log file is opened. If the new log file causes the maximum number of log files in the directory to be exceeded, the oldest log file is deleted.

**Table 3-91** ENABLE\_ROBUST\_LOGGING information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>ENABLE_ROBUST_LOGGING</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>If <code>ENABLE_ROBUST_LOGGING</code> is present in the <code>bp.conf</code> file, NetBackup uses the settings in the <code>nblog.conf</code> file as the unified logging settings.</p> <p>The maximum size of a log file is set by using the NetBackup command <code>vxlogcfg</code> with parameters <code>NumberOfLogFiles</code> and <code>MaxLogFileSizeKB</code>.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Do not edit the <code>nblog.conf</code> file manually.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i> for more information on controlling the log file size.</p> <p>If a NetBackup environment uses scripts depending on the <code>MMDDYY.log</code> naming convention, either update the scripts or uncheck <b>Enable robust logging</b>.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Logging &gt; Enable robust logging.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Logging properties”</a> on page 152.</p>

## FAILOVER\_RESTORE\_MEDIA\_SERVERS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry specifies that an automatic failover media server be used if a server is temporarily inaccessible for a restore. This failover does not require administrator intervention. The default is that NetBackup does not perform automatic failover.

Table 3-92 FAILOVER\_RESTORE\_MEDIA\_SERVERS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS = failed_host host1 host2 ... hostN</pre> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <code>failed_host</code> is the server that is not operational.</li><li>■ <code>host1 ... hostN</code> are the servers that provide failover capabilities.</li></ul> <p>When automatic failover is necessary for a server, NetBackup searches from left to right through the associated <code>FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS</code> list. It stops when it finds one that is eligible to perform the restore.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> A <code>bp.conf</code> file can contain multiple <code>FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS</code> entries and each entry can list multiple servers. However, a NetBackup server can be a <code>failed_host</code> in only one entry.</p> <p>After a <code>FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS</code> entry is added, stop and restart the NetBackup Request daemon on the master server where you plan to change the configuration.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Restore Failover.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Restore Failover properties”</a> on page 200.</p>

## FORCE\_RESTORE\_MEDIA\_SERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry forces the restore to go to a specific server, regardless of where the files were backed up.

Table 3-93 FORCE\_RESTORE\_MEDIA\_SERVER information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.



**Table 3-93** FORCE\_RESTORE\_MEDIA\_SERVER information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <code>FORCE_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVER</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>FORCE_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVER = from_host to_host</pre> <p>Where <i>from_host</i> is the server that performed the original backup and <i>to_host</i> is the server to use for the restore.</p> <p>Stop and restart the NetBackup Request daemon on the master server after adding the <code>FORCE_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVER</code> entry. Physically move the media to <i>to_host</i> before attempting a restore. Update the Media Manager volume database to reflect the move.</p> <p>This setting applies to all storage units on the original server. Restores for any storage unit on <i>from_host</i> go to <i>to_host</i>. To revert to the original configuration for future restores, delete the entry.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server &gt; <b>General Server &gt; Media Host Override.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“General Server properties”</a> on page 142.</p>

## GENERATE\_ENGLISH\_LOGS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

This entry enables the generation of an English error log, and English trace logs for the `bparchive`, `bpbackup`, `bpduplicate`, `bpimport`, and `bprestore` commands. This option is useful to support personnel to assist in distributed environments where different locales result in logs that contain various languages.

An English text error log (indicated by the suffix `_en`) is created in the following directory:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/error
```

**Table 3-94** GENERATE\_ENGLISH\_LOGS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.

Table 3-94 GENERATE\_ENGLISH\_LOGS information (continued)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add GENERATE_ENGLISH_LOGS to the /usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf file in the following format:</p> <pre>GENERATE_ENGLISH_LOGS</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the bp.conf file.</p> <p>Setting the GENERATE_ENGLISH_LOGS option also forces the -en argument on the execution of the following commands when the progress log is specified (-L): bparchive, bpbackup, bpduplicate, bpimport, and bprestore.</p> <p>The suffix _en indicates the English text progress log.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## INCOMPLETE\_JOB\_CLEAN\_INTERVAL bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

This entry indicates the number of days a failed restore job can remain in the incomplete state before it is moved to the done state.

Table 3-95 INCOMPLETE\_JOB\_CLEAN\_INTERVAL information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.
How to use	<p>Add INCOMPLETE_JOB_CLEAN_INTERVAL to the /usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf file in the following format:</p> <pre>INCOMPLETE_JOB_CLEAN_INTERVAL = x</pre> <p>Where <i>x</i> is a value between 0 and 365. A value of 0 indicates that failed, incomplete jobs are never automatically moved to the done state. The default is 7 days.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the bp.conf file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on master server or client &gt; <b>Clean-up &gt; Move restore job from incomplete state to done state.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Clean-up properties”</a> on page 83.</p>

## INITIAL\_BROWSE\_SEARCH\_LIMIT `bp.conf` entry for UNIX servers and clients

This entry specifies the number of days back that NetBackup searches for files to restore.

**Table 3-96** INITIAL\_BROWSE\_SEARCH\_LIMIT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX server or client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>INITIAL_BROWSE_SEARCH_LIMIT</code> to the <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>INITIAL_BROWSE_SEARCH_LIMIT = 7</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The example limits the browse range to the seven days before the current date.</p> <p>The default is that NetBackup includes files from the time of the last full backup through the latest backup for the client. If the client belongs to more than one policy the browse starts with the earliest of the set of last full backups.</p> <p>When this option is specified on a UNIX client, it applies only to that client. The option can reduce the size of the Search window from what is specified on the server (the client setting cannot make the window larger).</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Universal Settings &gt; Browse timeframe for restores.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Universal Settings properties”</a> on page 218.</p>

## IP\_ADDRESS\_FAMILY `bp.conf` entry for UNIX servers

The `IP_ADDRESS_FAMILY` entry indicates whether NetBackup on this host supports only IPv4 or both IPv4 and IPv6.

Upon installation or upgrade to NetBackup version 7.1, NetBackup defaults to IPv4. If any of the `SERVER bp.conf` entries do not support IPv4, NetBackup uses the setting that indicates both IPv4 and IPv6.

**Table 3-97** IP\_ADDRESS\_FAMILY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a NetBackup client or server.

Table 3-97 IP\_ADDRESS\_FAMILY information (continued)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>On hosts that are both IPv4 and IPv6, use this entry to indicate which address family to use.</p> <p>Add this entry to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file using the following syntax:</p> <pre>IP_ADDRESS_FAMILY = AF_INET   AF_UNSPEC</pre> <p><code>AF_INET</code> indicates that the host supports only IPv4.</p> <p><code>AF_UNSPEC</code> indicates that the host supports both IPv4 and IPv6.</p> <p>This entry may appear once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Network Settings.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Network Settings Properties”</a> on page 175.</p>

JOB\_PRIORITY bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

This entry lets administrators set the priority for a job type.

Table 3-98 JOB\_PRIORITY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>JOB_PRIORITY</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>JOB_PRIORITY = P1 P2 P3 P4 P5 P6 P7 P8 P9 P10 P11 P12 P13 P14 P15 P16 P17 P18 P19 P20 P21 P22 P23 P24</pre> <p>Variables <code>P1</code>, <code>P2</code>, and so on indicate the priority for each backup type.</p> <p>The actual default values for the entry appear as follows:</p> <pre>JOB_PRIORITY = 0 0 90000 90000 90000 90000 85000 85000 80000 80000 80000 80000 75000 75000 70000 70000 50000 50000 0 0 0 0 0 0</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>

**Table 3-98** JOB\_PRIORITY information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
Example	<p>An administrator may want backup jobs to have a priority of 50000 and duplication jobs to have a priority of 30000. The administrator would change theJOB_PRIORITY entry to read as follows:</p> <pre>JOB_PRIORITY = 50000 0 90000 90000 90000 90000 85000 85000 80000 80000 80000 80000 75000 75000 70000 70000 30000 50000 0 0 0 0 0 0</pre>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on master server or client &gt; <b>Default Job Priorities &gt; Job Priority</b>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Default Job Priorities properties”</a> on page 118.</p>

[Table 3-99](#) lists the order of the job types and the various job type defaults.

**Table 3-99** Default job type priorities

Field	Represents this action	Default
P1	Performing a backup	0
P2	Performing a database backup (a catalog backup)	0
P3	Performing a restore	90000
P4	Recovering a catalog	90000
P5	Performing a staging operation	90000
P6	Performing the duplication jobs that Vault starts	90000
P7	Cleaning up images	85000
P8	Importing images	85000
P9	Requesting tapes	80000
P10	Cleaning a tape	80000
P11	Tape formatting	80000
P12	Performing device diagnostics	80000
P13	Verifying an image	75000
P14	Running a media contents report	75000

Table 3-99 Default job type priorities (continued)

Field	Represents this action	Default
P15	Labeling tape media	70000
P16	Erasing media	70000
P17	Running a duplication job	50000
P18	Performing an inventory	50000
P19	This field is not currently in use	0
P20	This field is not currently in use	0
P21	This field is not currently in use	0
P22	This field is not currently in use	0
P23	This field is not currently in use	0
P24	This field is not currently in use	0

## LIMIT\_BANDWIDTH bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry specifies a limit for the network bandwidth that NetBackup clients use on a network. The actual limiting occurs on the client side of the backup connection. This entry limits only backups. Restores are unaffected. The default is that the bandwidth is not limited.

## LIST\_FS\_IMAGE\_HEADERS

This entry controls whether or not `bpdbm` looks for legacy image headers when the `bplist` and `bpimagelist` commands are run.

Table 3-100 LIST\_FS\_IMAGE\_HEADERS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX or Windows master server.

**Table 3-100** LIST\_FS\_IMAGE\_HEADERS information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Immediately after NetBackup 7.5 is installed, <code>LIST_FS_IMAGE_HEADERS</code> does not appear in the <code>bp.conf</code> file or registry. After a catalog cleanup job runs and successfully migrates all legacy image headers, <code>LIST_FS_IMAGE_HEADERS = NO</code> is added to the <code>bp.conf</code> file or registry.</p> <p>If the entry is changed to <code>YES</code>, the next catalog cleanup job migrates any legacy images that are located in the <code>db/images</code> directory. After all of the image headers are migrated, the entry once again changes to <code>NO</code>.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Example	<p>After a catalog cleanup job runs, the entry appears in the <code>bp.conf</code> file or registry.</p> <pre>LIST_FS_IMAGE_HEADERS = NO</pre>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## MEDIA\_ID\_PREFIX bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry configures the prefix that NetBackup uses to identify media.

**Table 3-101** MEDIA\_ID\_PREFIX information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Use with the <code>nbemmcmd</code> command. For example:</p> <pre>nbemmcmd -changesetting -NON_ROBOTIC_MEDIA_ID_PREFIX FEB</pre> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i>.</p> <p>The prefix must be one to three alpha-numeric characters. NetBackup appends numeric characters as needed, so the assigned media IDs become FEB000, FEB001, and so on.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Example	<p>The default media ID prefix is <code>A</code>: NetBackup assigns A00000, then A00001, and so on.</p> <pre>MEDIA_ID_PREFIX = A</pre>

Table 3-101 MEDIA\_ID\_PREFIX information (continued)

Usage	Description
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server > <b>Media &gt; Media ID prefix (non-robotic).</b>  See “Media properties” on page 165.

MEDIA\_UNMOUNT\_DELAY bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

When `MEDIA_UNMOUNT_DELAY` is specified, the media unload is delayed for the specified number of seconds after the requested operation has completed. (Applies only to user operations.)

Table 3-102 MEDIA\_UNMOUNT\_DELAY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	Add <code>MEDIA_UNMOUNT_DELAY</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:  <code>MEDIA_UNMOUNT_DELAY = 120</code>  In the example, the delay is set to 120 seconds  This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server > <b>Media &gt; Media unmount delay.</b>  See “Media properties” on page 165.

MEDIA\_REQUEST\_DELAY bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry specifies the number of seconds that NetBackup waits for a non-robotic drive to become ready. The default is 0 seconds.

Table 3-103 MEDIA\_REQUEST\_DELAY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.



**Table 3-103** MEDIA\_REQUEST\_DELAY information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Use the <code>nbermmcmd</code> command. For example:</p> <pre>nbermmcmd -changesetting -MEDIA_REQUEST_DELAY 150</pre> <p>The example indicates to NetBackup to wait 150 seconds for a non-robotic drive to become ready for use.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Media &gt; Media request delay.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Media properties”</a> on page 165.</p>

## MEDIA\_SERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry is similar to the `SERVER` entry.

A host that is listed as a `MEDIA_SERVER` can back up and restore clients. However, if the host is not specified as a `SERVER`, the host has limited administrative capabilities.

**Table 3-104** MEDIA\_SERVER information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>MEDIA_SERVER</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>MEDIA_SERVER = media_server_name</pre>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Servers &gt; Media Servers.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Servers properties”</a> on page 251.</p>

## MPX\_RESTORE\_DELAY bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry applies to multiplexed restores. The `MPX_RESTORE_DELAY` specifies how long the server waits for restore requests of files and raw partitions. In this case, the entry applies to the files and raw partitions in a set of multiplexed images on

the same tape. All of the restore requests that are received within the delay period are included in the same restore operation (one pass of the tape).

Table 3-105      MPX\_RESTORE\_DELAY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>MPX_RESTORE_DELAY</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>MPX_RESTORE_DELAY = 60</pre> <p>The default is 30 seconds.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; General Server &gt; Delay on multiplexed restores.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“General Server properties”</a> on page 142.</p>

## MUST\_USE\_LOCAL\_DRIVE bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry instructs NetBackup that if the client is also a media server and this entry is present, backups for this client must occur on a local drive. If all drives are down, another may be used. If the client is not a media server, this entry has no effect.

Table 3-106      MUST\_USE\_LOCAL\_DRIVE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Use the <code>nbemmcmd</code> command. For example:</p> <pre>nbemmcmd -changesetting -MUST_USE_LOCAL_DRIVE yes</pre> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i>.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; General Server &gt; Must use local drive.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“General Server properties”</a> on page 142.</p>

## NBRNTD\_IDLE\_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `NBRNTD_IDLE_TIMEOUT` entry specifies the number of seconds to wait before the Remote Network Transport Service (`nbrntd`) shuts itself down. After it is shut down, NetBackup must restart the service if a new resilient connection for backups or restores is required.

Table 3-107      `NBRNTD_IDLE_TIMEOUT` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	Add <code>NBRNTD_IDLE_TIMEOUT</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.  This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.  By default, <code>NBRNTD_IDLE_TIMEOUT</code> is not present. The default timeout is 300 seconds.
Example	<code>NBRNTD_IDLE_TIMEOUT = 300</code>

## PREFERRED\_NETWORK bp.conf entry

The `PREFERRED_NETWORK` entry replaces the `REQUIRED_INTERFACE` and `REQUIRED_NETWORK` entries.

The `PREFERRED_NETWORK` entry offers more control in IPv4 and IPv6 networks.

**Note:** Upon upgrading to NetBackup 7.1, a configuration that lists an IP address for the `REQUIRED_INTERFACE` entry may experience a change on the choice of interfaces after the upgrade. (For example, `REQUIRED_INTERFACE = IP_address`.)

If the hostname that is associated with the IP address resolves to more than one IP address, each of those addresses is used, rather than just the first address.

Symantec recommends the use of a hostname that resolves to one address with `REQUIRED_INTERFACE` or replacing it with the `PREFERRED_NETWORK` equivalent now available in NetBackup 7.1.

Use this entry:

- To prohibit the use of specified address.
- Specify that only certain addresses can be used.
- Associate source interfaces with IP addresses.

Table 3-108      PREFERRED\_NETWORK information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a NetBackup client or server.
How to use	<p>Add this entry to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The following example instructs the host to not use IPv4 addresses:</p> <pre>PREFERRED_NETWORK = 0.0.0.0 PROHIBITED</pre> <p>The following example instructs the host to not use IPv6 addresses:</p> <pre>PREFERRED_NETWORK = 0::0 PROHIBITED</pre> <p>The following example instructs the host to use only IPv6 addresses in that subnet range:</p> <pre>PREFERRED_NETWORK = 2001:1234:1efc::/48 ONLY</pre> <p>The following example instructs the host to not use the address of the <i>production_server</i>:</p> <pre>PREFERRED_NETWORK = production_server PROHIBITED</pre> <p>The following example instructs the host that for all IPv4 addresses, use the interface IPs of <i>Host_A</i>:</p> <pre>PREFERRED_NETWORK = 0/0 MATCH Host_A</pre> <p>This entry may appear multiple times in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Preferred Network</b>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Preferred Network properties”</a> on page 180.</p>

RANDOM\_PORTS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

This entry specifies whether NetBackup chooses port numbers randomly or sequentially when it requires one for communication with NetBackup on other computers.

Table 3-109      RANDOM\_PORTS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.

**Table 3-109** RANDOM\_PORTS information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <b>RANDOM_PORTS</b> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If <b>RANDOM_PORTS</b> = YES (default), NetBackup chooses port numbers randomly from those that are free in the allowed range. For example, if the range is from 1024 through 5000, it chooses randomly from the numbers in this range.</li> <li>■ If <b>RANDOM_PORTS</b> = NO, NetBackup chooses numbers sequentially, starting with the highest number available in the allowed range. For example, if the range is from 1024 through 5000, NetBackup chooses 5000 (if the number is available). If 5000 is not available, port 4999 is chosen.</li> </ul> <p>By default, this option is not present and NetBackup uses the random method for selecting port numbers. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Port Ranges &gt; Use random port assignments.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Port Ranges properties”</a> on page 179.</p>

## RE\_READ\_INTERVAL bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The **RE\_READ\_INTERVAL** entry determines how often NetBackup checks disk storage units for available capacity.

**Table 3-110** RE\_READ\_INTERVAL information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <b>RE_READ_INTERVAL</b> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>RE_READ_INTERVAL = 300</pre> <p>The default is 300 seconds (5 minutes).</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; General Server &gt; Check the capacity of disk storage units.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“General Server properties”</a> on page 142.</p>

## REQUIRED\_NETWORK server configuration entry

The `REQUIRED_NETWORK` entry specifies the required route for backup traffic in an environment where the network traffic is segregated.

For example, an environment can contain a production network at `145.21.14.0` and a backup network at `192.132.28.0`.

Table 3-111      `REQUIRED_NETWORK` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a master server.
How to use	<p>To indicate that NetBackup use only the backup network, add the following entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> file:</p> <pre>REQUIRED_NETWORK = 192.132.28.0</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If the variable is set and the network is not available, all connections fail and no backups are performed.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Preferred Network &gt; Only.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Preferred Network properties”</a> on page 180.</p>

## RESILIENT\_NETWORK bp.conf entry for UNIX master servers and clients

The `RESILIENT_NETWORK` entry specifies the computers that should use a resilient connection for backups and restores.

Table 3-112      `RESILIENT_NETWORK` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>RESILIENT_NETWORK</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in any of the following formats:</p> <pre>RESILIENT_NETWORK = hostname ON OFF RESILIENT_NETWORK = ip_address ON OFF RESILIENT_NETWORK = network address/network_mask ON OFF</pre> <p>You can mix IPv4 addresses and ranges with IPv6 addresses and subnets.</p> <p>By default, <code>RESILIENT_NETWORK</code> is not present.</p>

**Table 3-112** RESILIENT\_NETWORK information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
Examples	<pre>RESILIENT_NETWORK = client.symantecs.org ON RESILIENT_NETWORK = 192.0.2.0 ON RESILIENT_NETWORK = 192.0.2.0/26 OFF RESILIENT_NETWORK = 2001:db8:0:0:0:0:0:0 ON</pre>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Master Servers</b> Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Resilient Network</b>.</p> <p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Clients</b> Double-click on client &gt; <b>Resilient Network</b>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Specifying resilient connections”</a> on page 197.</p>

**Note:** The order is significant for the items in the list of resilient networks. If a client is in the list more than once, the first match determines its resilient connection status. For example, suppose you add a client and specify the client IP address and specify **On** for **Resiliency**. Suppose also that you add a range of IP addresses as **Off**, and the client IP address is within that range. If the client IP address appears before the address range, the client connection is resilient. Conversely, if the IP range appears first, the client connection is not resilient.

## RESUME\_ORIG\_DUP\_ON\_OPT\_DUP\_FAIL bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `RESUME_ORIG_DUP_ON_OPT_DUP_FAIL` entry specifies that NetBackup should perform normal duplication if an OpenStorage optimized duplication fails.

If this entry is not present, NetBackup does not perform normal duplication when an optimized duplication fails.

**Table 3-113** RESUME\_ORIG\_DUP\_ON\_OPT\_DUP\_FAIL information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>RESUME_ORIG_DUP_ON_OPT_DUP_FAIL</code> to the <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>This entry takes two options, as follows:</p> <pre>RESUME_ORIG_DUP_ON_OPT_DUP_FAIL = TRUE   FALSE</pre>

Table 3-113      RESUME\_ORIG\_DUP\_ON\_OPT\_DUP\_FAIL information (continued)

Usage	Description
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## REVERSE\_NAME\_LOOKUP bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

This entry lets administrators allow, restrict, or prohibit reverse host name lookup.

Table 3-114      REVERSE\_NAME\_LOOKUP information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server, media server, or client.
How to use	Add REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP to the /usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf file in the following format:  REVERSE_NAME_LOOKUP = ALLOWED   RESTRICTED   PROHIBITED
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server > <b>Network Settings &gt; Reverse Host Name Lookup.</b>  See “ <a href="#">Network Settings Properties</a> ” on page 175.

## SERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The first SERVER entry in the bp.conf file must point to the master server where the bp.conf entry resides. During installation, SERVER is automatically set to the name of the system where the NetBackup master server software is installed.

Table 3-115      SERVER information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.



Table 3-115      SERVER information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>The <code>SERVER</code> option must be present in the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file on all NetBackup UNIX servers and clients. It is the only required entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> file. This option is not used in <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> files on a client.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This topic discusses the <code>bp.conf</code> entries on the server. However, note that every <code>SERVER</code> entry in a client <code>bp.conf</code> file must be a NetBackup master or media server. That is, each system that is listed as a <code>SERVER</code> must have either NetBackup master or media server software installed. The client service on some clients cannot be started if the client name is incorrectly listed as a server.</p> <p>If you configure NetBackup media servers for a master server, the <code>bp.conf</code> file on the master server must have a <code>SERVER</code> entry or <code>MEDIA_SERVER</code> entry for each. As previously mentioned, the first <code>SERVER</code> entry in the list designates the master server itself. The <code>SERVER</code> entry or the <code>MEDIA_SERVER</code> entries should be added after the first, self-referencing entry.</p> <p>A NetBackup master server can be backed up as a NetBackup client by the servers that belong to another cluster. In that case the <code>bp.conf</code> file on the master server should have <code>SERVER</code> entries for those servers as well.</p>

Table 3-115      SERVER information (continued)

Usage	Description
Example	<p>The following is an example <code>bp.conf</code> file on a master server:</p> <pre>SERVER = Master_server (this master server itself) SERVER = NBU_server (master server of another cluster) SERVER = Media_server_#1 MEDIA_SERVER = Media_server_#2 . . .</pre> <p>The first <code>SERVER</code> entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> files on all the media servers must point to the master server for those media servers. A media server can have only one master server. However, a media server can be backed up as a NetBackup client by the servers that belong to another cluster, in which case the <code>bp.conf</code> file on the media server should have <code>SERVER</code> entries for those servers as well.</p> <p>The following is an example <code>bp.conf</code> file on a media server:</p> <pre>SERVER = Master_server (for this media server) SERVER = NBU_server (master server of another cluster) SERVER = Media_server_#1 MEDIA_SERVER = Media_server_#2 . . .</pre> <p>The <code>SERVER</code> entries must be the same on all servers in a master and a media server cluster.</p> <p>If a <code>SERVER</code> entry is added or modified in the <code>bp.conf</code> file on the master server, stop and restart <code>bprd</code> and <code>bpdbm</code> so that NetBackup recognizes the change. (The NetBackup request daemon and NetBackup database manager.)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If the first <code>bp.conf</code> <code>SERVER</code> entry (the master server) is modified on a media server, the EMM database also needs to be updated. To update the EMM database, run <code>nbemmcmd -updatehost</code> to change the master server for a media server.</p>

**Table 3-115** SERVER information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Servers</b>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Servers properties”</a> on page 251.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“<b>FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS</b> bp.conf entry for UNIX servers”</a> on page 252.</p>

## SERVER\_PORT\_WINDOW bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients

The `SERVER_PORT_WINDOW` entry specifies the range of nonreserved ports on which this computer accepts connections from NetBackup on other computers. This option can also be useful on the clients that run the NetBackup-Java application server.

This entry is also available for client configuration.

**Table 3-116** SERVER\_PORT\_WINDOW information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.
How to use	Add <code>SERVER_PORT_WINDOW</code> to the <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file. The default range is from 1024 through 5000. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.
Example	<p>The following example permits ports from 4900 through 5000:</p> <pre>SERVER_PORT_WINDOW = 4900 5000</pre>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p>To use the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> to configure this option, change the <b>Server port</b> window range property in the <b>Port Ranges</b> host properties.</p> <p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Port Ranges</b> &gt; <b>Server port</b> window.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Port Ranges properties”</a> on page 179.</p>

## SERVER\_RESERVED\_PORT\_WINDOW bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry specifies the range of local reserved ports on which this computer accepts connections from NetBackup on other computers.

The `SERVER_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW` setting applies when a server connects to a client that is configured to accept only reserved ports. This entry is generally not useful on clients.

Table 3-117      `SERVER_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	Add <code>SERVER_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file. The default range is from 512 through 1023. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.
Example	The following example permits ports from 900 through 1023:  <code>SERVER_RESERVED_PORT_WINDOW = 900 1023</code>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Port Ranges &gt; Server reserved port window.</b>  See <a href="#">“Port Ranges properties”</a> on page 179.

## SKIP\_RESTORE\_TO\_SYMLINK\_DIR bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

The `SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR` entry forces NetBackup to check all directories on a UNIX client into which files are restored. If the file to be restored is under a symbolically linked directory, NetBackup does not restore the file.

Table 3-118      `SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.

**Table 3-118** SKIP\_RESTORE\_TO\_SYMLINK\_DIR information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>For example, if the UNIX client requests a restore for <code>/home/user/.cshrc</code> and <code>/home/user</code> is a symbolic link, NetBackup does not restore <code>.cshrc</code>.</p> <p>The addition of <code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code> helps minimize potential security and data loss problems if the restore is performed with root permissions. Without <code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code> in the <code>bp.conf</code> file, NetBackup follows any symbolically linked directories and restores files to that location.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Restore job performance is reduced by using this option.</p> <p><code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code> and <code>UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE</code> do not affect each other if both are specified, with one exception:</p> <p>When the following options are enabled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Overwrite existing files option</b></li> <li>■ <code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code></li> <li>■ <code>UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE</code></li> </ul> <p>Then, when a restore job comes across a symbolic link, the link is unlinked before the job checks, and the files and directory are restored.</p> <p>For example, <code>/home/user/</code> is backed up as a directory and, when restored, it is a symbolic link to a directory.</p> <p>These settings have the following outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ With <code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code> set (and <b>Overwrite existing files</b> indicated), no files are restored into the directory the symbolic link points to, and the symbolic link remains.</li> <li>■ With both <code>UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE</code> and <code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code> (and <b>Overwrite existing files</b> indicated), the symbolic link directory is unlinked, the original directory is restored, and all files within the directory are also restored.</li> <li>■ With neither entry set (and <b>Overwrite existing files</b> indicated), NetBackup follows the symbolic link and restore all files into the directory to which the symbolic link points.</li> </ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Port Ranges &gt; Server reserved port</b> window.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Port Ranges properties</a>” on page 179.</p>

## SERVER\_CONNECT\_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

`SERVER_CONNECT_TIMEOUT` specifies the number of seconds that the master server waits before timing out when it connects to a media server.

Table 3-119 SERVER\_CONNECT\_TIMEOUT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>Add <code>SERVER_CONNECT_TIMEOUT</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>SERVER_CONNECT_TIMEOUT = 60</pre> <p>The example permits a timeout of 60 seconds. The default timeout period is 30 seconds. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Timeouts &gt; Media mount timeout.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Timeouts properties”</a> on page 216.</p>

## THROTTLE\_BANDWIDTH bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry specifies a limit for the network bandwidth or transfer rate that NetBackup clients use on a network. The actual limiting occurs on the client side of the backup connection. This entry limits only backups. Restores are unaffected. The default is that the bandwidth is not limited.

While `LIMIT_BANDWIDTH` associates a bandwidth or transfer rate with all client IP addresses in a range between two IP addresses, `THROTTLE_BANDWIDTH` is more useful in an IPv6 environment. `THROTTLE_BANDWIDTH` associates a bandwidth setting with a subnet description.

For example, the following subnet will get 400kbs bandwidth:

```
2001:db8:cb30:120::/64 400
```

Table 3-120 THROTTLE\_BANDWIDTH information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.

**Table 3-120** THROTTLE\_BANDWIDTH information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <b>THROTTLE_BANDWIDTH</b> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format (but on one line):</p> <pre>THROTTLE_BANDWIDTH = xxxx:xxxx:xxxx:xxxx:yyyy:yyyy:yyyy:yyyy::/nnn zzz</pre> <p>Each <b>THROTTLE_BANDWIDTH</b> entry specifies the bandwidth value and the IP address of the clients and networks to which it applies.</p> <p>The following variables are defined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>xxxx.xxxx.xxxx.xxxx</code> is the subnet portion (64-bits) of the IPv6 address range. (For example, 2001:db8:1:110.)</li> <li>■ <code>yyyy.yyyy.yyyy.yyyy</code> is the host portion (64-bits) of the IPv6 address range. (For example, 0:0:0:8b72.)</li> <li>■ <code>nnn</code> is the number of mask bits that, when applied to the IPv6 address, identifies the range of addresses that are considered for throttling. The valid range is 0 to 128. Mask bits are applied left to right across the address range.</li> <li>■ <code>zzz</code> is the bandwidth limitation in kilobytes per second. (For example, 200.) A value of 0 disables throttling IPv6 addresses covered by this entry.</li> </ul>
Bandwidth examples	<p>The following are <b>LIMIT_BANDWIDTH</b> examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Configure a bandwidth limit of 500 kilobytes per second for all computers on the subnet 2001:db8:1:110 as follows: <pre>LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110::/64 500</pre> </li> <li>■ Configure a bandwidth limit of 700 kilobytes per second for a particular client (2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72) as follows: <pre>LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72::/128 700</pre> </li> <li>■ To disable bandwidth limiting for a client in a subnet that has a bandwidth limit, specify 0 for the kilobytes per second: <pre>LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110::/64 500 LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72::/128 0</pre> <p>In this case, no limiting occurs for the client with IPv6 address 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72</p> </li> </ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Bandwidth.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">Bandwidth properties</a>” on page 79.</p>

## IPv6 address rules

The IPv6 address ranges can specify individual clients or entire subnets.

- An IPv6 address can take the following forms:
  - `a.b.c.d.`  
Where `a`, `b`, `c`, and `d` are hexadecimal integers in the range 0-ffff.
  - `a`  
A 32-bit integer that represents the full IP address in network byte order. (The big endian, the most significant byte is first on the wire.)
- Enter IPv6 addresses as hexadecimal numbers.
- Neither the subnet nor the host part of an IPv6 address can be zero.
- Only ordinary IPv6 addresses are accepted.
- Do not create multiple entries that specify the same range of IPv6 addresses. If multiple entries are created, NetBackup uses the last one found. In the following example, NetBackup uses the second entry:

```
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110::/48 500
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110::/48 200
```

This rule also applies to multiple entries that specify an exact client address, as follows:

```
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72::/128 200
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72::/128 100
```

- Do not specify IPv6 address ranges that overlap one another. Consider the following:

```
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110::/48 500
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110::/48 500
```

The ranges overlap, and bandwidth limiting results are unpredictable.

- Specify a range of addresses in one entry and an address for a specific client in other entries.  
If a client is covered by an entry that specifies its exact IPv6 address and by another entry that specifies a range of IPv6 addresses, NetBackup uses the bandwidth value in the entry with the exact IP address.  
The following sets the bandwidth for a range of IPv6 addresses:

```
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110::/48 500
```



The following sets the bandwidth for a specific address that is within the range:

```
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72::/128 200
```

In this case, NetBackup uses the specific entry (bandwidth of 200) for the client whose address is 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72. This capability can also be used to exclude specific clients from bandwidth limiting. The order of the range and specific address entries in the `bp.conf` file is not significant.

## Rules for setting bandwidth values

Set bandwidths for individual clients to one of the following values:

- 0 (no bandwidth limiting), or
- Less than or equal to any value that is set for the IPv6 address range that contains the IP address for the client.

For example, the following is valid:

```
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72::/64 500  
LIMIT_BANDWIDTH = 2001:db8:1:110:0:0:0:8b72::/128 300
```

If the bandwidth is set higher for a client than is set for the range, NetBackup ignores the individual setting. NetBackup uses the value for the range instead. In this case, the client receives a share of the bandwidth that is specified for the network.

If the bandwidth limit for a client is equal to or lower than the value for the range, the client uses the lower of the following settings:

- Its share of the network bandwidth value.
- Its individual bandwidth value.

The bandwidth value that NetBackup uses for a client is always at least one kilobyte per second.

## ULINK\_ON\_OVERWRITE `bp.conf` entry for UNIX servers

When a UNIX client indicates **Overwrite existing files** as a restore option, the `UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE` entry forces NetBackup to perform the following actions:

- Check for the existence of a file to be restored.
- Unlink the file if it exists.
- Restore the file.

The file can be any normal file, symbolic link, hard link, or empty directory.

The addition of `UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE` helps minimize potential security and data loss problems from following existing symbolic links. It also guarantees that files are restored exactly as they were backed up.

Table 3-121 `UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.
How to use	<p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Restore job performance is reduced by using this option.</p> <p>If the <code>UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE</code> entry is not indicated in the <code>bp.conf</code> file but the <b>Overwrite existing files</b> option is specified, the behavior of NetBackup is different when it restores symbolic links. (Or, if the entry is set to NO.) NetBackup unlinks existing files or empty directories when it restores symbolic links, hard links, or special files (CHR, BLK, and FIFO).</p> <p>However, NetBackup does not unlink when it restores normal files or directories, which can be problematic. NetBackup follows the symbolic link and creates or replaces the files that the symbolic link points to. Or, it replaces the directory that the symbolic link points to.</p> <p><code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code> and <code>UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE</code> do not affect each other if both are specified, with one exception:</p> <p>When the following options are enabled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Overwrite existing files</b> option</li><li>■ <code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code></li><li>■ <code>UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE</code></li></ul> <p>Then, when a restore job comes across a symbolic link, the link is unlinked before the job checks, and the files and directories are restored.</p>
Example	<p>For example, if the <code>/home/user/</code> path was backed up as a directory and, when restored, it is a symbolic link to a directory:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ With <code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code> set (and <b>Overwrite existing files</b> indicated), no files are restored into the directory the symbolic link points to, and the symbolic link remains.</li><li>■ With both <code>UNLINK_ON_OVERWRITE</code> and <code>SKIP_RESTORE_TO_SYMLINK_DIR</code> (and <b>Overwrite existing files</b> indicated), the symbolically linked directory is unlinked, the original directory is restored, and all files within the directory are also restored.</li><li>■ With neither set (and <b>Overwrite existing files</b> indicated), NetBackup follows the symbolic link and restore all files into the directory the symbolic link points to.</li></ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## USE\_VXSS `bp.conf` entry for UNIX servers and clients

The `USE_VXSS` entry specifies whether the local system uses NetBackup product authentication and authorization.

**Table 3-122** `USE_VXSS` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>USE_VXSS</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>USE_VXSS = REQUIRED   PROHIBITED   AUTOMATIC</pre> <p>The entry uses the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>REQUIRED</code> Indicates that the local system always uses NetBackup product authentication and authorization. Connections from the systems that do not use NetBackup product authentication and authorization are rejected.</li> <li>■ <code>PROHIBITED</code> Indicates that the local system never uses NetBackup product authentication and authorization. Connections from the systems that use NetBackup product authentication and authorization are rejected (default).</li> <li>■ <code>AUTOMATIC</code> Indicates that the local system negotiates with the remote system whether to use NetBackup product authentication and authorization. If the <code>USE_VXSS = AUTOMATIC</code> option is specified, <code>VXSS_NETWORK</code> entries can be used to require or prohibit NetBackup product authentication and authorization connections with specified remote systems. See “<a href="#">VXSS_NETWORK bp.conf entry for UNIX servers</a>” on page 280.</li> </ul> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Access Control &gt; NetBackup product authentication and authorization.</b> Change this option to <b>Required</b>.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Network Attributes tab</a>” on page 73.</p>

## VERBOSE `bp.conf` entry for UNIX servers and clients

Used for debugging purposes, the `VERBOSE` option controls the amount of information NetBackup includes in its legacy logs.

Table 3-123      VERBOSE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server or client.
How to use	<div>Add VERBOSE to the /usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file in the following format:  VERBOSE = [ 0   1   2   3   4   5 ]  The default is that this option is disabled. This entry should appear only once in the bp.conf file.</div>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<div><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on master server &gt; Logging &gt; Global logging level.</b>  See “Logging properties” on page 152.</div>

See “About bp.conf entries” on page 225.

## VXSS\_NETWORK bp.conf entry for UNIX servers

This entry identifies whether a specific network or remote system must or must not use **NetBackup product authentication and authorization** with the local system.

If a media server or client does not define a **NetBackup product authentication and authorization** network, it uses the **NetBackup product authentication and authorization** networks of its master server.

Table 3-124      VXSS\_NETWORK information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX master server.

Table 3-124 VXSS\_NETWORK information (continued)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <code>VXSS_NETWORK</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>VXSS_NETWORK = hostname   IP_address   .domain   network. [AUTOMATIC   REQUIRED   PROHIBITED]</pre> <p><code>VXSS_NETWORK</code> is relevant only if <code>USE_VXSS</code> is set to <code>AUTOMATIC</code> (<code>USE_VXSS = AUTOMATIC</code>). More than one <code>VXSS_NETWORK</code> entry can be specified.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“USE_VXSS bp.conf entry for UNIX servers and clients”</a> on page 279.</p> <p>The entry uses the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <code>hostname</code> The host name of the remote system.</li><li>■ <code>IP_address</code> The IP address of the remote system.</li><li>■ <code>.domain</code> A dot followed by the Internet domain name of the remote systems.</li><li>■ <code>network.</code> The network for the remote systems, followed by a dot.</li></ul> <p>The optional second value can be one of the following keywords:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <code>AUTOMATIC</code></li><li>■ <code>REQUIRED</code></li><li>■ <code>PROHIBITED</code></li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> If multiple <code>VXSS_NETWORK</code> entries specify one particular system, the first occurrence takes precedence.</p>

Table 3-124 VXSS\_NETWORK information (continued)

Usage	Description
Example	<div><div>USE_VXSS = AUTOMATIC VXSS_NETWORK = fred.mycompany.com VXSS_NETWORK = 10.0.0.37 REQUIRED VXSS_NETWORK = 10.0.0. PROHIBITED VXSS_NETWORK = .theircompany.com VXSS_NETWORK = wilma.theircompany.com PROHIBITED VXSS_NETWORK = barney.mycompany.com PROHIBITED</div><div><p>In the example, <b>NetBackup product authentication and authorization</b> is required for connections between the local system and the system with host fred.mycompany.com.</p><p><b>NetBackup product authentication and authorization</b> is required for connections between the local system and the system with IP address 10.0.0.37.</p><p><b>NetBackup product authentication and authorization</b> is prohibited for connections between the local system and systems in the 10.0.0 network except for 10.0.0.37.</p><p><b>NetBackup product authentication and authorization</b> is required for connections between the local system and systems within the theircompany.com Internet domain.</p><p><b>NetBackup product authentication and authorization</b> is required for connections between the local system and the system with host name wilma.theircompany.com despite the PROHIBITED entry for wilma.theircompany.com. The REQUIRED entry for .theircompany.com takes precedence.</p><p><b>NetBackup product authentication and authorization</b> is prohibited for connections between the local system and the system with host name barney.mycompany.com</p></div></div>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<div><div><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on master server &gt; <b>Access Control</b>. Change the networks list property.</div><div>See “<a href="#">Network Attributes tab</a>” on page 73.</div></div>

## bp.conf options for UNIX clients

On NetBackup UNIX clients, two bp.conf files may apply and affect client configuration:

- The main bp.conf file is located in the following location:

/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf

NetBackup uses internal software defaults for all options in the `bp.conf` file, except `SERVER`. During installation, NetBackup sets the `SERVER` option to the name of the master server where the software is installed.

See [“SERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX servers”](#) on page 268.

If a UNIX system is both a client and a server, both the server and the client options are in the `/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf` file.

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**Note:** The `SERVER` option must be in the `/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf` file on all NetBackup UNIX clients. It is also the only required entry in this file.

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- Each nonroot user on a UNIX client can have a personal `bp.conf` file in their home directory as follows:

```
$HOME/bp.conf
```

The options in personal `bp.conf` files apply only to user operations. During a user operation, NetBackup checks the `$HOME/bp.conf` file before `/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf`.

Root users do not have personal `bp.conf` files. NetBackup uses the `/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf` file for root users.

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**Note:** To change these options on non-UNIX clients, use either the client-user interface or in a configuration file, depending on the client. For instructions, see the online Help in the Backup, Archive, and Restore client interface.

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## BPARCHIVE\_POLICY bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `BPARCHIVE_POLICY` entry specifies the name of the policy to use for user archives.

**Table 3-125** BPARCHIVE\_POLICY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.

Table 3-125      BPARCHIVE\_POLICY information (continued)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add BPARCHIVE_POLICY to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>BPARCHIVE_POLICY = policy_name</pre> <p>By default, BPARCHIVE_POLICY is not present and NetBackup uses the first policy that it finds that has the client and a user archive schedule.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence, if it exists.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Type of backup (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 660.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

BPARCHIVE\_SCHED bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

This entry specifies the name of the schedule for user archives.

Table 3-126      BPARCHIVE\_SCHED information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add BPARCHIVE_SCHED to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>BPARCHIVE_SCHED = schedule_name</pre> <p>By default, BPARCHIVE_SCHED is not present and NetBackup uses the first archive schedule in the first policy that it finds that contains this client.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence if it exists.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Considerations for user schedules”</a> on page 668.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

BPBACKUP\_POLICY bp.conf for UNIX clients

This entry specifies the name of the policy to use for user backups.



**Table 3-127** BPBACKUP\_POLICY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add BPBACKUP_POLICY to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>BPBACKUP_POLICY = <i>policy_name</i></pre> <p>By default, BPBACKUP_POLICY is not present and NetBackup uses the first policy it finds that has both the client and a user backup schedule.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence if it exists.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Type of backup (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 660.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## BPBACKUP\_SCHED bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

This entry specifies the name of the schedule to use for user backups.

**Table 3-128** BPBACKUP\_SCHED information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add BPBACKUP_SCHED to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>BPBACKUP_SCHED = <i>schedule_name</i></pre> <p>By default, BPBACKUP_SCHED is not present and NetBackup uses the first policy it finds that contains both the client and a user backup schedule.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence if it exists.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Considerations for user schedules”</a> on page 668.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## BUSY\_FILE\_ACTION bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `BUSY_FILE_ACTION` entry directs the action that NetBackup performs on busy files when busy-file processing is enabled.

Table 3-129      `BUSY_FILE_ACTION` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>BUSY_FILE_ACTION</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>BUSY_FILE_ACTION = filename_template action_template</pre> <p>■ <i>filename_template</i></p> <p>The absolute pathname and file name of the busy file. The shell language metacharacters <code>*</code>, <code>?</code>, <code>[]</code>, <code>[-]</code> can be used for matching patterns of file names or parts of file names.</p> <p>■ <i>action_template</i></p> <p>Use one of the following parameters:</p> <p>■ <code>MAIL   mail</code></p> <p>Directs NetBackup to email a busy file notification message to the user that the <code>BUSY_FILE_NOTIFY_USER</code> option specifies.</p> <p>■ <code>REPEAT   repeat [repeat_count]</code></p> <p>Directs NetBackup to retry the backup on the specified busy file. A repeat count can be specified to control the number of backup attempts. The default repeat count is 1.</p> <p>■ <code>IGNORE   ignore</code></p> <p>Directs NetBackup to exclude the busy file from processing.</p> <p>Multiple <code>BUSY_FILE_ACTION</code> entries are allowed.</p> <p>The value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence if it exists.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Busy File Settings.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">Busy File Settings properties</a>” on page 81.</p>

## BUSY\_FILE\_DIRECTORY bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `BUSY_FILE_DIRECTORY` entry specifies the path to the busy-files working directory when busy-file processing is enabled.

**Table 3-130** BUSY\_FILE\_DIRECTORY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>BUSY_FILE_DIRECTORY</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>BUSY_FILE_DIRECTORY = pathname</pre> <p>By default, <code>BUSY_FILE_DIRECTORY</code> is not present and NetBackup creates the <code>busy_files</code> directory in <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup</code>.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence, if it exists.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Busy File Settings.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Busy File Settings properties”</a> on page 81.</p>

## BUSY\_FILE\_NOTIFY\_USER bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `BUSY_FILE_NOTIFY_USER` entry specifies who receives a notification when the `BUSY_FILE_ACTION` entry is set to `MAIL`.

**Table 3-131** BUSY\_FILE\_NOTIFY\_USER information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>BUSY_FILE_NOTIFY_USER</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>BUSY_FILE_NOTIFY_USER = email</pre> <p>By default, <code>BUSY_FILE_NOTIFY_USER</code> is not present and the email recipient is <code>root</code>.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>The value in the user's <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence, if it exists.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Busy File Settings.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Busy File Settings properties”</a> on page 81.</p>

## BUSY\_FILE\_PROCESSING bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `BUSY_FILE_PROCESSING` entry lets the administrator control what NetBackup does when a file changes while it is in the process of being backed up.

Table 3-132      `BUSY_FILE_PROCESSING` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>BUSY_FILE_PROCESSING</code> to <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>BUSY_FILE_PROCESSING = yes</pre> <p>By default, <code>BUSY_FILE_PROCESSING</code> is not present and busy-file processing does not occur.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Busy File Settings.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Busy File Settings properties”</a> on page 81.</p>

## CLIENT\_NAME bp.conf entry

The `CLIENT_NAME` entry specifies the name of the client as it is known to NetBackup.

Table 3-133      `CLIENT_NAME` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.

**Table 3-133** CLIENT\_NAME information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <code>CLIENT_NAME</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file or to the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>CLIENT_NAME = clientname</pre> <p>This entry should be listed only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file. If more than one entry appears, NetBackup observes only the last <code>CLIENT_NAME</code> entry. The client name in a policy that backs up the client should match the client name that is specified with <code>CLIENT_NAME</code>.</p> <p>The <code>bp.conf</code> of the master server does not require the addition of other clients, other than the master server as <code>CLIENT_NAME = master server name</code>. The name is added by default.</p> <p>During a restore, the default is to restore to the client that is named in the policy that was used for the backup. For an alternate client restore, indicate the name of the alternate client in the Backup, Archive, and Restore user interface. (Within the user interface, the <b>Destination client for restores</b> field is located in the <b>Specify NetBackup Machines and Policy Type</b> dialog box.)</p> <p>To use the <code>bprestore</code> command, a parameter can be given to <code>bprestore</code> to indicate the destination client.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About client-redirected restores”</a> on page 1012.</p> <p>The client installation procedures automatically set <code>CLIENT_NAME</code> to the value that is specified in <code>ftp_to_client</code> command or <code>install_client</code> command in the installation scripts.</p> <p>If the value is not in any <code>bp.conf</code> file, NetBackup uses the value that the <code>gethostname()</code> library function returns.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Client Name properties”</a> on page 86.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on client > <b>Client Name</b> .

## COMPRESS\_SUFFIX bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `COMPRESS_SUFFIX` entry specifies a list of file extensions. During a backup, NetBackup does not compress files with these extensions because the file may already be in a compressed format.

Table 3-134      COMPRESS\_SUFFIX information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add COMPRESS_SUFFIX to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>COMPRESS_SUFFIX = .suffix</pre> <p>By default, COMPRESS_SUFFIX is not present in the <code>bp.conf</code> file. This option has a reasonable default. Change only if problems result.</p> <p>Multiple COMPRESS_SUFFIX entries are allowed.</p> <p>Do not use wildcards to specify these extensions. Do not specify <code>.A*</code> or <code>.A [1-9]</code> (For example, specify <code>.A1</code>)</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Clients</b> Double-click on client &gt; <b>Client Settings</b>.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Client Settings (UNIX) properties</a>” on page 102.</p>

## CRYPT\_CIPHER bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The CRYPT\_CIPHER entry applies to clients with the NetBackup Encryption option installed.

Table 3-135      CRYPT\_CIPHER information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add CRYPT_CIPHER to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>CRYPT_CIPHER = value</pre> <p>Where <i>value</i> is one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ AES-128-CFB (used when no method is specified; default)</li><li>■ AES-256-CFB</li><li>■ BF-CFB</li><li>■ DES-EDE-CFB</li></ul> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>

**Table 3-135** CRYPT\_CIPHER information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Encryption.</b> See <a href="#">“Encryption properties”</a> on page 122. See the <i>NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide</i> .

## CRYPT\_KIND bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `CRYPT_KIND` entry on the client determines whether the standard encryption or legacy encryption is used in the backup. Normally, `CRYPT_KIND` is set automatically.

The `CRYPT_KIND` entry applies to clients with the NetBackup Encryption option installed.

**Table 3-136** CRYPT\_KIND information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>To use this option, add it to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>CRYPT_KIND = type</pre> <p>The following values can be entered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>NONE</code> No encryption is used on the client (default)</li> <li>■ <code>LEGACY</code> Legacy pertains to 40-bit and 56-bit data encryption standard (DES). Legacy encryption is not recommended.</li> <li>■ <code>STANDARD</code> Standard pertains to 128-bit and 256-bit encryption (AES, 3DES, Blowfish cipher). Standard encryption is recommended.</li> </ul> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Encryption.</b> See <a href="#">“Encryption properties”</a> on page 122. See the <i>NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide</i> .

## CRYPT\_OPTION bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `CRYPT_OPTION` entry specifies the encryption options on NetBackup clients. NetBackup creates this entry automatically in the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf` file on a UNIX client when the `bpinst_crypt` command is run on the NetBackup master server.

The `CRYPT_OPTION` entry applies to clients with the NetBackup Encryption option installed.

See the *NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide*.

Do not alter the entry or create this file manually unless it was accidentally deleted.

**Table 3-137**      `CRYPT_OPTION` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>CRYPT_OPTION</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>CRYPT_OPTION = type</pre> <p>The following values can be entered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <code>DENIED denied</code> Specifies that the client does not permit encrypted backups. If the server requests an encrypted backup, it is considered an error. This option is the default for a client that has not been configured for encryption.</li><li>■ <code>ALLOWED allowed</code> Specifies that the client allows either encrypted or unencrypted backups.</li><li>■ <code>REQUIRED required</code> Specifies that the client requires encrypted backups. If this value is specified and the server requests an unencrypted backup, it is considered an error.</li></ul> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Encryption.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Encryption properties”</a> on page 122.</p>

## CRYPT\_STRENGTH bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `CRYPT_STRENGTH` entry specifies the encryption strength on NetBackup clients. It applies to clients with the NetBackup Encryption option installed.



Table 3-138 CRYPT\_STRENGTH information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>CRYPT_STRENGTH</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>CRYPT_STRENGTH = value</pre> <p>The allowable values are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <code>DES_40 des_40</code></li></ul> <p>Specifies 40-bit DES encryption. 40-bit is the default value for a client that has not been configured for encryption.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <code>DES_56 des_56</code></li></ul> <p>Specifies 56-bit DES encryption.</p> <p>NetBackup creates this entry automatically on a UNIX client when the <code>bpinst_crypt</code> command is run on the NetBackup master server. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>Do not alter the entry or create it manually unless it was accidentally deleted.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Encryption.</b></p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide</i>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Encryption properties”</a> on page 122.</p>

## CRYPT\_LIBPATH bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `CRYPT_LIBPATH` entry specifies the directory that contains the encryption libraries for NetBackup clients. NetBackup creates this entry automatically in the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf` file on a UNIX client when the `bpinst_crypt` command is run on the NetBackup master server.

The `CRYPT_LIBPATH` entry applies to clients with the NetBackup Encryption option installed. Do not alter the entry or create it manually unless it was accidentally deleted. This entry should appear only once in the `bp.conf` file.

Table 3-139 CRYPT\_LIBPATH information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.

Table 3-139 CRYPT\_LIBPATH information (continued)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add CRYPT_LIBPATH to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <p><code>CRYPT_LIBPATH = directory</code></p> <p>If necessary, create the entry in the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The default value on UNIX systems is <code>/usr/opensv/lib/</code></li><li>■ The default value on Windows systems is <code>install_path\bin\</code> Where <i>install_path</i> is the directory where NetBackup is installed and by default is <code>C:\Program Files\VERITAS.</code></li></ul>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Encryption.</b></p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide</i>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Encryption properties”</a> on page 122.</p>

CRYPT\_KEYFILE bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The CRYPT\_KEYFILE entry specifies the file that contains the encryption keys on NetBackup clients. NetBackup creates this entry automatically in the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf` file on a UNIX client when the `bpinst_crypt` command is run on the NetBackup master server.

Table 3-140 CRYPT\_KEYFILE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.

**Table 3-140** CRYPT\_KEYFILE information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>The <code>CRYPT_KEYFILE</code> entry applies to clients with the NetBackup Encryption option installed. Do not alter the entry or create it manually unless it was accidentally deleted. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>To use this option, add it to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>CRYPT_KEYFILE = directory</pre> <p>The default values follow:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ On UNIX systems <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/keyfile</code></li> <li>■ On Windows systems <code>install_path\bin\keyfile.dat</code></li> </ul> <p>Where <i>install_path</i> is the directory where NetBackup is installed and by default is <code>C:\Program Files\VERITAS</code>.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Encryption.</b></p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide</i>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Encryption properties”</a> on page 122.</p>

## DISALLOW\_SERVER\_FILE\_WRITES bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `DISALLOW_SERVER_FILE_WRITES` entry prevents the NetBackup server from creating files on the NetBackup client. For example, this entry prevents server-directed restores or server-directed updates of the `bp.conf` file on the client.

**Table 3-141** DISALLOW\_SERVER\_FILE\_WRITES information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>To use this option, add it to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>DISALLOW_SERVER_FILE_WRITES</pre> <p>By default, server writes are allowed.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>

Table 3-141DISALLOW\_SERVER\_FILE\_WRITES information (continued)

Usage	Description
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> > Double-click on client > <b>Universal Settings</b> .  See “ <a href="#">Universal Settings properties</a> ” on page 218.

DO\_NOT\_RESET\_FILE\_ACCESS\_TIME bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `DO_NOT_RESET_FILE_ACCESS_TIME` entry specifies that if a file is backed up, its access time (`atime`) displays the time of the backup. The default is that NetBackup preserves the access time by resetting it to the value it had before the backup.

**Note:** The `DO_NOT_RESET_FILE_ACCESS_TIME` entry affects the software and the administration scripts that examine a file’s access time. Do not use this option or `USE_CTIME_FOR_INCREMENTALS` if Storage Migrator is on the system. Setting these options causes the `atime` for files to be updated every time they are backed up. Each time the `atime` updates, it appears as if the files are frequently used and prevents Storage Migrator from selecting the files for migration.

Table 3-142DO\_NOT\_RESET\_FILE\_ACCESS\_TIME information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	Add <code>DO_NOT_RESET_FILE_ACCESS_TIME</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:  <code>DO_NOT_RESET_FILE_ACCESS_TIME</code>  This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> > Double-click on client > <b>Client Settings</b> .  See “ <a href="#">Client Settings (UNIX) properties</a> ” on page 102.

IGNORE\_XATTR bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

By default, extended attribute files (Solaris 9 or greater) and named data streams are backed up. Use `IGNORE_XATTR` to exclude extended attributes and named data streams from backups. (`IGNORE_XATTR` was formerly `IGNORE_XATTR_SOLARIS`.)

**Table 3-143** IGNORE\_XATTR information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add the <code>IGNORE_XATTR</code> entry to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>NetBackup does not check for extended attributes or named data streams if the <code>IGNORE_XATTR</code> entry is present in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About backing up and restoring extended attribute files and named data streams”</a> on page 729.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## INFORMIX\_HOME bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `INFORMIX_HOME` entry specifies the path to the Informix home directory and is required when the client uses NetBackup for Informix.

**Table 3-144** INFORMIX\_HOME information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>INFORMIX_HOME</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>INFORMIX_HOME</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

## KEEP\_DATABASE\_COMM\_FILE bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `KEEP_DATABASE_COMM_FILE` entry causes NetBackup to keep database agent logs for seven days. The default is that NetBackup keeps database agent logs for only one day.

Table 3-145      KEEP\_DATABASE\_COMM\_FILE information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>On a UNIX database agent, add <code>KEEP_DATABASE_COMM_FILE</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>KEEP_DATABASE_COMM_FILE</pre> <p>For example, add it to a client that runs NetBackup for Informix.</p> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

KEEP\_LOGS\_DAYS bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `KEEP_LOGS_DAYS` entry specifies how long to keep job and progress logs of the NetBackup-Java program, **Backup, Archive, and Restore**. The default is three days.

NetBackup writes these files in the following directories:

- `usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/user_ops/username/jobs`
- `/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/user_ops/username/logs`

A directory exists for each user that uses the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** console. This entry also controls how long to keep the log files from the NetBackup-Java console. The log files are located in `/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/user_ops/nbjlogs`.

Table 3-146      KEEP\_LOGS\_DAYS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>KEEP_LOGS_DAYS</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>KEEP_LOGS_DAYS</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>

**Table 3-146** KEEP\_LOGS\_DAYS information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on client > <b>Client Settings</b> . See “ <a href="#">Client Settings (UNIX) properties</a> ” on page 102. See “ <a href="#">Client Settings properties for Windows clients</a> ” on page 106.

## LIST\_FILES\_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `LIST_FILES_TIMEOUT` entry specifies how long to wait for a response from the server when it lists files by using the client-user interface or `bplist`. If this time is exceeded, the user receives a `socket read failed` error even if the server continues to process the user’s request. The default is that `LIST_FILES_TIMEOUT` is not in any `bp.conf` file and NetBackup uses a value of 30 minutes.

**Table 3-147** LIST\_FILES\_TIMEOUT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	Add <code>LIST_FILES_TIMEOUT</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:  <code>LIST_FILES_TIMEOUT</code>  This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.  The value in the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file takes precedence if it exists.
Equivalent Administration Console property	<b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt;</b> Double-click on client > <b>Timeouts</b> . See “ <a href="#">Timeouts properties</a> ” on page 216.

## LOCKED\_FILE\_ACTION bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `LOCKED_FILE_ACTION` entry specifies the behavior of NetBackup when it backs up a file that has mandatory file locking enabled in its file mode. (See `chmod(1)`). If this entry is set to `SKIP`, NetBackup skips the files that currently have mandatory locking set by another process. NetBackup logs a message to this effect.

Table 3-148 LOCKED\_FILE\_ACTION information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>LOCKED_FILE_ACTION</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>LOCKED_FILE_ACTION = SKIP</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> <code>SKIP</code> is the only legal value for this entry. The default is that NetBackup waits for files to become unlocked.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on client &gt; <b>Client Settings</b>.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Client Settings (UNIX) properties</a>” on page 102.</p>

MEDIA\_SERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `MEDIA_SERVER` entry specifies that the listed computer is a media server only. Computers that are listed as media servers can back up and restore clients, but have limited administrative privileges.

Table 3-149 MEDIA\_SERVER information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>MEDIA_SERVER</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>MEDIA_SERVER = media_server_name</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b> &gt; Double-click on client &gt; <b>Servers</b>.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Servers properties</a>” on page 251.</p>

MEGABYTES\_OF\_MEMORY bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `MEGABYTES_OF_MEMORY` entry specifies how much memory is available on the client to use to compress files during backup. If compression is selected, the client software uses this value to determine how much space to request for the compression tables. The more memory that is available to the compress code, the



greater the compression. The percentage of computer resources that are used is also greater. If other processes also need memory, use a maximum value of one half the actual physical memory on a computer to avoid excessive swapping.

**Table 3-150** MEGABYTES\_OF\_MEMORY information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>MEGABYTES_OF_MEMORY</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>MEGABYTES_OF_MEMORY = memory_value</pre> <p>The default is that NetBackup assumes a value of one megabyte. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The <code>MEGABYTES_OF_MEMORY</code> entry has a reasonable default. Change it only if problems are encountered.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Client Settings.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Client Settings (UNIX) properties”</a> on page 102.</p>

## NFS\_ACCESS\_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `NFS_ACCESS_TIMEOUT` entry specifies the number of seconds that the backup process waits to process an NFS mount table. After the time is exceeded, the process considers an NFS file system to be unavailable.

**Table 3-151** NFS\_ACCESS\_TIMEOUT information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>NFS_ACCESS_TIMEOUT</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>NFS_ACCESS_TIMEOUT = seconds</pre> <p>The default timeout period is five seconds. This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; UNIX Server.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“UNIX Server properties”</a> on page 222.</p>

## RESTORE\_RETRIES bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `RESTORE_RETRIES` entry specifies the number of times to retry a restore after a failure.

Table 3-152      `RESTORE_RETRIES` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>RESTORE_RETRIES</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>RESTORE_RETRIES = number_of_retries</pre> <p>The default is 0 (no retries). This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The <code>RESTORE_RETRIES</code> entry has a reasonable default. Change it only if problems are encountered.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Universal Settings.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">Universal Settings properties</a>” on page 218.</p>

## SERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `SERVER` entry defines the list of NetBackup master servers and media servers that can access the NetBackup client. During client installation, `SERVER` is automatically set to the name of the primary master server for this client.

Other `SERVER` entries can be added for any other master servers for this client, and for media servers for this client. Media servers for this NetBackup client can also be added by using the `MEDIA_SERVER` option.

Table 3-153      `SERVER` information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.

**Table 3-153** SERVER information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add SERVER to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Every SERVER entry in a client <code>bp.conf</code> file must be a NetBackup master or media server. That is, each system that is listed as a SERVER must have either NetBackup master or media server software installed. The client service on some clients cannot be started if the client name is incorrectly listed as a server.</p> <p>If you configure media servers, each media server must have a SERVER or a MEDIA_SERVER entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> file of the client.</p>
Example	<p>The following is an example <code>bp.conf</code> file on a client:</p> <pre>SERVER = Master_server (default master server) SERVER = NBU_server (other master server) SERVER = Media_server_#1 MEDIA_SERVER = Media_server_#2 . . .</pre> <p>The first SERVER entry denotes the master server to which the client connects to by default for any requests. (For example, to back up, to list, or to restore files). The SERVER entry must be present in the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file on all UNIX clients. The SERVER entry is the only required entry in the <code>bp.conf</code> file for clients. The SERVER entry is not used in a <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file. On NetBackup UNIX servers, the SERVER entry applies to both client and the server.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“RESUME_ORIG_DUP_ON_OPT_DUP_FAIL bp.conf entry for UNIX servers”</a> on page 267.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“MEDIA_SERVER bp.conf entry for UNIX clients”</a> on page 300.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Servers.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Servers properties”</a> on page 251.</p>

## SYBASE\_HOME bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The SYBASE\_HOME entry specifies the path to the Sybase home directory. The entry is required for NetBackup to use Sybase to back up Sybase databases.

Table 3-154 SYBASE\_HOME information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a NetBackup for Sybase client.
How to use	<p>Add SYBASE_HOME to the /usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file in the following format:</p> <pre>SYBASE_HOME = path_to_Sybase_home_directory</pre> <p>The default is that SYBASE_HOME is not in the bp.conf file. This entry should appear only once in the bp.conf file.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This entry is not required to back up the Sybase SQL Anywhere database that NetBackup uses as part of the NetBackup catalog.</p> <p>For additional information, see the <i>NetBackup for Sybase Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	No equivalent exists in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> host properties.

USE\_CTIME\_FOR\_INCREMENTALS bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The USE\_CTIME\_FOR\_INCREMENTALS entry changes how NetBackup determines whether or not a file has changed. This entry causes the client software to use both modification time and inode change time during incremental backups to determine if a file has changed. (mtime and ctime.)

Table 3-155 USE\_CTIME\_FOR\_INCREMENTALS information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.

**Table 3-155** USE\_CTIME\_FOR\_INCREMENTALS information (*continued*)

Usage	Description
How to use	<p>Add <code>USE_CTIME_FOR_INCREMENTALS</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>USE_CTIME_FOR_INCREMENTALS</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p> <p>By default, NetBackup uses only <code>mtime</code>.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If you specify <code>USE_CTIME_FOR_INCREMENTALS</code>, you must also specify <code>DO_NOT_RESET_FILE_ACCESS_TIME</code>. Do not use these options if Storage Migrator is on the system. Setting these options causes the file <code>atime</code> to be updated every time they are backed up. When the <code>atime</code> updates, it appears as if the files are frequently used and prevents Storage Migrator from selecting the files for migration.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">DO_NOT_RESET_FILE_ACCESS_TIME bp.conf entry for UNIX clients</a>” on page 296.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Client Settings &gt; Reset file access time to the value before backup.</b></p>

## USE\_FILE\_CHG\_LOG bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `USE_FILE_CHG_LOG` entry specifies whether NetBackup uses the file change log on VxFS clients. The default is off.

**Table 3-156** USE\_FILE\_CHG\_LOG information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>USE_FILE_CHG_LOG</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file in the following format:</p> <pre>USE_FILE_CHG_LOG</pre> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Client Settings &gt; Use VxFS File Change Log for Incremental Backups.</b></p> <p>See “<a href="#">VxFS file change log for incremental backups property</a>” on page 104.</p>

## USEMAIL bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

The `USEMAIL` entry specifies the email address where NetBackup sends status on the outcome of operations for a UNIX client. The default is that `USEMAIL` is not present in any `bp.conf` file and no email is sent.

**Note:** Separate multiple email addresses using a comma, with no spaces.

**Table 3-157** USEMAIL information

Usage	Description
Where to use	On a UNIX client.
How to use	<p>Add <code>USEMAIL</code> to the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> or the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ If the <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf</code> file specifies an address, NetBackup sends automatic backup and manual backup status to that address.</li><li>■ If the <code>\$HOME/bp.conf</code> file specifies an address, NetBackup also sends status on the success or failure of user operations to that address.</li></ul> <p>This entry should appear only once in the <code>bp.conf</code> file.</p>
Equivalent Administration Console property	<p><b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Double-click on client &gt; Universal Settings.</b></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Universal Settings properties”</a> on page 218.</p>

## VXSS\_NETWORK bp.conf entry for UNIX clients

This entry identifies whether a specific network or remote system must or must not use **NetBackup product authentication and authorization** with the local system. It can be configured on NetBackup servers and clients.

See [“VXSS\\_NETWORK bp.conf entry for UNIX servers”](#) on page 280.

See [“Network Attributes tab”](#) on page 73.

## UNIX client examples

The following is an example of a client’s `bp.conf` file:

```
SERVER = server1
CLIENT_NAME = client1
USEMAIL = abc@bdev.com
COMPRESS_SUFFIX = .Addr$
```

```
COMPRESS_SUFFIX = .Counts
VERBOSE = 1
RESTORE_RETRIES = 1
BPBACKUP_POLICY = Uuserdir
BPBACKUP_SCHED = userbackups
BPARCHIVE_POLICY = Uuserdir
BPARCHIVE_SCHED = userarchives
LOCKED_FILE_ACTION = SKIP
```

Nonroot users on UNIX clients can have a personal `bp.conf` file in their home directory: `$HOME/bp.conf`.

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**Note:** A root user cannot have a personal `bp.conf` file. For root users, NetBackup uses the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf` file.

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A personal `bp.conf` file can have any of the following options:

```
USEMAIL = abc@bdev.com
BPBACKUP_POLICY = user1
BPBACKUP_SCHED = userback
BPARCHIVE_POLICY = user1
BPARCHIVE_SCHED = userarch
LIST_FILES_TIMEOUT = 10
CLIENT_NAME = alternate_client_name
```

Specify `CLIENT_NAME` only when doing restores to an alternate client.

See “[bp.conf options for UNIX clients](#)” on page 282.





# Configuring server groups

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About server groups](#)
- [Configuring a server group](#)
- [Deleting a server group](#)

## About server groups

A server group is a group of NetBackup servers that are used for a common purpose.

A media sharing group is a server group that shares media for write purposes (backups).

A media sharing group can contain the following:

- NetBackup master server
- NetBackup media servers
- NDMP tape servers
- Virtual host names of NetBackup media servers in a cluster

Servers can be in more than one group. All members of a server group must have the same NetBackup master server. Only NetBackup 6.5 and later systems can be in server groups.

See [“About media sharing”](#) on page 416.

See [“Configuring media sharing with a server group”](#) on page 417.

## Configuring a server group

Use the following procedure to configure a server group.

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**Note:** NetBackup allows a server group name to be the same as the name of a media server. However, Symantec recommends that you do not use the same name for a server group and a media server. It may be confusing to use the same name for a media server and a media server group.

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To configure a server group

- 1
- In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices > Server Groups**.
- 2
- In the **Actions** menu, select **New > New Server Groups**.

New Server Group

Server group name:

Server Group Type:

Media Sharing

State:

Active

Description:

Servers in Group:

Server Name	Server Type
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▲ Add

▼ Remove

Servers not in Group:

Server Name	Server Type
zamphir	Master
gyrfalcon	Media
haggis	Media
ledplate	Media

OK

Cancel

Help

- 3
- In the **New Server Group** dialog box, enter or select the appropriate information.

See “[Server group properties](#)” on page 312.

To add a server to the group, select it in the **Servers Not in Group** window and click **Add**.

To remove a server from the group, select it in the **Servers in Group** window and click **Remove**.

## Server group properties

The following table describes server group properties that include the following options.

Table 4-1 Server group properties

Property	Description
Server group name	<p>Specifies the name of the server group.</p> <p>You cannot change the name of an existing server group.</p> <p>Symantec recommends that server group names be unique. That is, do not use the same name for a server group that you use for a host such as a media server. If you do, you may not be able to determine easily if a tape is restricted to a specific media server or to a specific media server group.</p>
Server group type	<p>Specifies the type of server group.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About server groups”</a> on page 309.</p> <p>Other server group types (such as Alternate Restore) are reserved for future use.</p>
State	<p>Specifies the state of the server group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Active.</b> The server group is available for use.</li><li>■ <b>Inactive.</b> The server group is not available for use.</li></ul> <p>To change the state, select the new state from the dropdown box.</p>
Description	<p>Describes the media server group.</p>
Servers in group	<p>Specifies the servers (and the server type) that belong to the group.</p>
Servers not in group	<p>Specifies the servers (and the server type) that do not belong to the group.</p>

## Deleting a server group

Use the following procedure to delete a server group.

To delete a server group

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **Media and Device Management > Devices > Server Groups**.
- 2 Select the group to delete.
- 3 Select **Edit > Delete**.
- 4 Click **OK**.

# Configuring host credentials

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About configuring credentials](#)

## About configuring credentials

**Credentials** appears only if a feature that requires external credentials is licensed.

Use **Media and Device Management > Credentials** to manage log on credentials for the following:

- NetBackup Deduplication Engine credentials.  
Create the credentials when you configure the storage server.  
See the *NetBackup Deduplication Guide*.
- NDMP hosts.  
See the *NetBackup for NDMP Administrator's Guide*.
- OpenStorage storage servers.  
Configure the credentials when you configure the storage server.  
See the *NetBackup OpenStorage Solutions Guide for Disk*.



# Managing media servers

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Activating or deactivating a media server](#)
- [Adding a media server](#)
- [About decommissioning a media server](#)
- [Previewing references to a media server](#)
- [Decommissioning a media server](#)
- [Registering a media server](#)
- [Deleting all devices from a media server](#)
- [Removing a device host from the EMM database](#)

## Activating or deactivating a media server

When you activate a media server, NetBackup can use it for backup and restore jobs. For example, you can deactivate a media server to perform maintenance. When a media server is deactivated, NetBackup does not send job requests to it.

When you deactivate a media server, the following things occur:

- Current jobs are allowed to complete.
- No new jobs are scheduled for the host.
- If the host is part of a shared drive configuration, it does not scan drives.

To activate or deactivate a media server

- 1
- In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Media Servers**.
- 2
- From the **Media Servers** pane, select the media server to activate or deactivate.
- 3
- On the **Actions** menu, select **Activate** or **Actions > Deactivate**.

# Adding a media server

The following table describes an overview of how to add a media server to an existing NetBackup environment.

**Note:** The NetBackup Enterprise Media Manager service must be active when a media server is added, devices and volumes are configured, and clients are backed up or restored.

Table 6-1 Adding a media server

Procedure	Section
On the new media server host, attach the devices and install any software that is required to drive the storage devices.	See the vendor’s documentation.
On the new media server host, prepare the host’s operating system.	See the <i>NetBackup Device Configuration Guide</i> .
On the master server, add the new media server to the additional servers list of the master server. Also, add the new media server to the additional servers list of the clients that the new media server backs up.  If the EMM server resides on a host other than the master server, add the new media server to the additional servers list on that host. If the new media server is part of a server group, add it to the additional servers list on all media servers in the group.  To avoid problems with NetBackup, ensure that the host name used in NetBackup matches the host name in the TCP/IP configuration.	See “ <a href="#">Servers properties</a> ” on page 251.
Restart the NetBackup services on the master server, the EMM server, and the media servers where a new server name was added.	See “ <a href="#">Starting or stopping a daemon</a> ” on page 919.
Install the NetBackup media server software.	See the <i>NetBackup Installation Guide</i> .
On the master server, configure the robots and drives that are attached to the media server.	See “ <a href="#">Configuring robots and tape drives</a> ” on page 338.



**Table 6-1** Adding a media server (*continued*)

Procedure	Section
On the master server, configure the volumes.	See <a href="#">“About adding volumes”</a> on page 381.
On the master server, add storage units to the media server. Always specify the media server as the media server for the storage unit.  The <b>Device Configuration Wizard</b> can create storage units when you configure robots and drives. Therefore, if you created storage units already, skip this step.	See <a href="#">“Creating a storage unit”</a> on page 485.
On the master server, configure the NetBackup policies and schedules to use the storage units that are configured on the media server.	See <a href="#">“About the Policies utility”</a> on page 596.
Test the configuration by performing a user backup or a manual backup that uses a schedule that specifies a storage unit on the media server.	See <a href="#">“Performing manual backups”</a> on page 753.

## About decommissioning a media server

New with this release is a command to decommission a media server, `nbdecommission`. The command launches a text-based wizard that guides you through the decommission process. The wizard removes the references to a media server from a NetBackup domain. (You may have to remove some references manually; the wizard provides instructions to do so in most cases.)

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**Note:** If you have installed an indexing server on the media server that you want to decommission, you must first decommission the indexing server. See the *NetBackup Search Administrator's Guide* for instructions to decommission an indexing server.

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The `nbdecommission` command helps in the following scenarios:

- You add a new media server and new storage to your environment. You direct all backup jobs that went to the old server to the new server. After all of the backup images on the old server expire, you run `nbdecommission` to retire the old server.
- You replace an old server with a new server and keep the same storage. You want to access all of the old server storage and backup images from the new server.
- The old server fails, and you need to replace it with a new server.

You also can use the wizard if you try to decommission a media server manually and references to it still remain. The wizard may clean up any references that remain.

Throughout this documentation, the media server to be decommissioned is referred to as the old server.

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**Warning:** Be careful when you use the `nbdecommission` command. Because the command may expire images, data loss may occur. Therefore, you should completely understand what the command does before you use it. Symantec recommends that you first preview all of the references to a media server before you decommission it.

See [“Previewing references to a media server”](#) on page 323.

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## About decommissioning limitations

The following are the limitations of the `nbdecommission` command:

- Does not decommission media servers at release levels earlier than 6.0.
- Does not decommission clustered media servers. Those include NetBackup failover media servers or application clusters.
- Does not process the media server deduplication pools.
- Does not update the `vm.conf` files on the NetBackup servers in your environment. Therefore, the old server may remain in the `vm.conf` files on the NetBackup servers.
- Does not update the configuration files on the clients. Therefore, the old server may remain in the server lists on the clients. If you replace an old server with a new server, the new server is not added to the client server lists.
- Does not process the NetBackup Vault profiles. If NetBackup Vault profiles exist that refer to the storage units on the old server, update the Vault profiles manually.
- Does not notify you about orphaned resources.
- Does not restart the daemons and services on other servers that the decommissioning affects.
- Requires that you shut down all daemons and services on the old server after it is decommissioned.
- Requires that you reconfigure devices on the new server manually (if required).

- Requires that you know which jobs are running on the old server. You must kill them or let them run to completion before you run the decommission process.
- The `-list_ref` option only reports on the references that it removes explicitly. The command removes some items implicitly and it does not report them. For example, host aliases and host credentials are removed but not reported.
- Requires that you move any media ID generation rules that exist on the old server. You must move them manually to the media server that performs robot inventory.
- Moves the old server to an Administrative Pause state so that no new jobs are started. However, NetBackup still can start backup and restore jobs for basic disk; they obtain resources differently than do jobs for other storage destinations. Also, the `nbdecommission` command may clear the Administrative Pause to expire images (depending on your responses to the wizard). Jobs may start during this period.

## Before you decommission a media server

Before you decommission a media server, Symantec recommends that you do the following:

- Preview the actions of the `nbdecommission` command.  
See [“Previewing references to a media server”](#) on page 323.  
Analyze the output of the preview operation to ensure that the command captures all references to the old server. If it did not, make a list of the items that the command does not cover and fix them manually later.
- Back up the NetBackup catalog before you begin. You can use it to return your environment to the pre-decommission state if something goes wrong or you have to abort the decommission.
- Run the command during a maintenance window when the load on the NetBackup environment is minimal.

## Post decommission recommendations

After you run the `nbdecommission` command, the following actions are recommended:

- Follow all of the instructions the command provides.  
The command may provide instructions for performing the actions that it cannot perform. For example, it may provide instructions to cancel the backup jobs that are active on the old server.

- Move the physical storage (if needed) and then reconfigure and reinventory those devices.
- Examine the `vm.conf` files on all of the NetBackup servers in your environment. Remove references to the old server and add references to the new server where necessary.
- Remove the old server from the server lists on the clients and add the new server where necessary.  
The `nbdecommission` command outputs a list of clients that refer to old server.
- Verify that the old server was removed correctly. Examine the various logical components (backup policies, storage units, and so on) to make sure that the old server references have been removed.
- Back up the NetBackup catalog as soon as possible.

## Decommission actions

The `nbdecommission` command deletes the configuration for the old server from the EMM database, the NetBackup image catalog, and configuration files on servers.

The following table shows the actions it performs for the components that reference the media server. The table is organized in the order in which the command processes the component.

Table 6-2 `nbdecommission` command actions

Component	Action
Storage unit - Tape	<p>Deletes the following tape storage units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Those in which the <b>Storage device</b> attribute specifies a robot for which the old server is the robot control host.</li><li>■ Those in which the <b>Media server</b> attribute specifies the old server.</li><li>■ Those in which the <b>Media server</b> attribute specifies <b>Any Available</b> and the old server is the only server that can access the storage unit.</li></ul>
Tape drive	<p>Deletes the tape drive path for each tape drive that is attached to the old server. If the path on the old server is the only path, it also deletes the tape drive.</p> <p>If a path to a drive exists on more than one media server, the tape drive may become unusable. You may have to connect the tape drive to a different media server and then reconfigure it in NetBackup. For example, if the old server is a scan host for a shared drive, NetBackup cannot use the drive if no other host can scan.</p>

**Table 6-2**      nbdecommission command actions *(continued)*

Component	Action
Robotic library	<p>Deletes all of the robotic libraries that are attached to the old server.</p> <p>If the old server is the robot control host for a shared library, the drives and media become stand-alone and unusable. You must reconfigure and re-inventory the library.</p>
Tape media	<p>Specifies if you want to expire the following tape media or move them to another media server:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Those assigned to the old server.</li> <li>■ Those owned by a media sharing group in which the old server is the only member of the group.</li> <li>■ Those that have no specific <b>Media owner</b> and the last write host is same as the old server.</li> </ul>
Storage unit - BasicDisk	<p>Deletes the storage unit if no images exist on it. If images exist, the wizard lets you choose one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Expire the images and delete the storage unit.</li> <li>■ Move the images to the new server. The wizard also updates the <b>Media server</b> field in the storage unit.</li> </ul> <p>The BasicDisk storage must be shared, and the same disk path must be available on the new server.</p>
Storage unit - Nearstore	<p>Deletes the storage unit if no images exist on it. If images exist, the wizard lets you choose one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Expire the images and delete the storage unit.</li> <li>■ Move the images to a new server. The wizard also transfers the credentials to the new server and updates the <b>Media server</b> field in the storage unit.</li> </ul>
Storage unit - SnapVault	<p>Deletes the storage unit if no images exist on it. If images exist, the wizard lets you choose one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Expire the images and delete the storage unit.</li> <li>■ Move the images to a new server. The wizard also transfers the credentials to the new server and updates the <b>Media server</b> field in the storage unit.</li> </ul>

**Table 6-2** `nbdecommission` command actions (*continued*)

Component	Action
Storage unit - AdvancedDisk and SharedDisk	<p>Specifies that if more than one media server can access the disk pool that is the destination of the storage unit, it does the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Removes the old server from the <b>Media Servers</b> list of the storage unit.</li> <li>■ Deletes the old server as a storage server.</li> </ul> <p>If the old server is the only server that can access the disk pool, the wizard lets you choose to do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Move the storage and images to the new server and delete the old server as a storage server. The disk volumes must be available on the new server at the same path as the old server.</li> <li>■ Expire the images (if any), delete any storage units that reference the disk pool, delete the disk pool, and delete the storage server. (A reference is when the disk pool appears in the <b>Disk pool</b> setting of a storage unit.)</li> </ul>
Storage unit - OpenStorage	<p>Specifies that if more than one media server can access the disk pool that is the destination of the storage unit, it does the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Removes the old server from the <b>Media Servers</b> list of the storage unit.</li> <li>■ Deletes the media server as an OpenStorage storage server.</li> </ul> <p>If the old server is the only server that can access the disk pool, the wizard lets you choose to do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Transfer the credentials to the new server and update the <b>Media server</b> field in the storage unit if required.</li> <li>■ Expire the images (if any), delete any storage units that reference the disk pool, and delete the disk pool. (A reference is when the disk pool appears in the <b>Disk pool</b> setting of a storage unit.)</li> </ul>
Storage unit group	<p>Specifies that if the <code>nbdecommission</code> command deletes all of the storage units in a storage unit group, it also deletes the storage unit group. Deleting the storage unit group also may affect backup policies and storage lifecycle policies.</p> <p>See “Backup policy and schedule” and “Storage lifecycle policy” in this table.</p>
Backup policy and schedule	<p>Deactivates any backup policy in which the storage destination (directly or indirectly) is a storage unit that the command deletes. Specifically, deactivates any backup policy that meets any of the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The destination is a storage unit that the <code>nbdecommission</code> command deleted.</li> <li>■ The destination is a storage unit group that contains only one storage unit and the <code>nbdecommission</code> command deleted that storage unit.</li> <li>■ The destination is a storage lifecycle policy and the <code>nbdecommission</code> command deleted the storage unit that is a <b>Backup</b> operation of the storage lifecycle policy.</li> </ul>

**Table 6-2** `nbdecommission` command actions (*continued*)

Component	Action
Storage lifecycle policy	<p>Specifies that for each storage lifecycle policy in which one or more operations uses a storage unit that the command deleted, it does the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If images under the SLP control are in-process or yet to be processed, displays the commands to cancel the SLP jobs and then exits. After you cancel the jobs (or wait until the jobs complete), rerun the <code>nbdecommission</code> command to continue with the decommissioning.</li> <li>■ If all of the images under SLP control are processed, deactivates the storage lifecycle policy.</li> <li>■ If a deleted storage unit was used by a <b>Backup</b> or <b>Snapshot</b> operation, deactivates all backup policies with the storage lifecycle policy as the destination.</li> </ul>
Fibre Transport media server	<p>Displays the commands necessary to delete the old server as an FT media server and then exits. After you delete the old server as an FT media server, rerun the <code>nbdecommission</code> command to continue with the decommissioning.</p>
<code>bp.conf</code> file	<p>On UNIX NetBackup servers, removes the old server from the following <code>bp.conf</code> file entries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>SERVER</code></li> <li>■ <code>MEDIA_SERVER</code></li> <li>■ <code>CLIENT_NAME</code></li> <li>■ <code>BROWSER</code></li> </ul> <p>On UNIX master servers, also removes the old server from the <code>FORCE_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVER</code> and <code>FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS</code> entries.</p>
Windows registry	<p>On Windows NetBackup servers, removes the old server from the following registry keys:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>SERVER</code></li> <li>■ <code>MEDIA_SERVER</code></li> <li>■ <code>CLIENT_NAME</code></li> <li>■ <code>BROWSER</code></li> </ul> <p>On Windows master servers, also removes the old server from the <code>FORCE_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVER</code> and <code>FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS</code> keys.</p>
Clients	<p>Lists the clients on which the old server appears in their server lists. You must remove the references to the old server manually.</p>

## Previewing references to a media server

Use the following procedure to preview the associations and references to a media server that you want to decommission. Symantec recommends that you preview the references to a media server before you decommission it.

The old server does not have to be up and responsive.

See [“About decommissioning a media server”](#) on page 317.

See [“Decommissioning a media server”](#) on page 324.

The `nbdecommission` command resides in the following directories:

- UNIX: `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd`
- Windows: `install_path\Veritas\NetBackup\bin\admincmd`

#### To preview references to a media server

- 1 Run the `nbdecommission` command on the master server or on a media server. The following is the command syntax:

```
nbdecommission -list_ref -oldserver OldServer > file.txt
```

Replace *OldServer* with the name of the host to be decommissioned. Replace *file* with a name that denotes its contents or purpose.

- 2 Analyze the output of the preview operation to ensure that the command captures all references to the old server. If it did not, make a list of the items that the command does not cover and fix them manually later.

## Decommissioning a media server

Use the `nbdecommission` text-based wizard to decommission a media server. The wizard guides you through the decommission process. Your path through the wizard depends on how you respond to the wizard prompts. Depending on your environment and how you respond to prompts, the wizard may advise you to perform an action and then exit. To continue in the wizard, you must run the wizard again after you perform the advised action. You may have to exit and rerun the wizard several times.

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**Note:** If you have installed an indexing server on the media server that you want to decommission, you must first decommission the indexing server. See the *NetBackup Search Administrator's Guide* for instructions to decommission an indexing server.

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If active jobs exist on the media server, you must cancel them before the command can begin to decommission the media server. Alternatively, you can wait until they finish.

The *OldServer* does not have to be up and responsive.

Symantec recommends that you preview the media server references before you decommission a media server.



See [“About decommissioning a media server”](#) on page 317.

See [“Previewing references to a media server”](#) on page 323.

The `nbdecommission` command resides in the following directories:

- UNIX: `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd`
- Windows: `install_path\Veritas\NetBackup\bin\admincmd`

The `nbdecommission` command logs to the standard NetBackup administrator commands log directory.

### To replace an old media server with a new media server

- 1 Run the `nbdecommission` command on the master server or on a media server that is not the object of this operation. The following is the command syntax:

```
nbdecommission -oldserver OldServer [-newserver NewServer] [-file  
decom_ops.txt]
```

Replace *OldServer* with the name of the host to be decommissioned.

`-newserver` is optional. If you specify a new server, the new server becomes the default media server for the replacement operations. If you do not specify a new server, the wizard prompts you for the new server for each storage type that contains valid backup images. This method is useful if you want to move backup images to different media servers. For example, you can move backup images from tape storage to one media server and backup images from disk storage to another media server.

`-file` is optional. It writes the command operations to the specified file.

Replace *decom\_ops.txt* with a name that denotes its purpose or contents.

Symantec recommends that you use the `-file` option to maintain a record of the command operations.

- 2 Follow the prompts and perform the requested actions.

For example, the command may make changes on the master server and on multiple media servers. You may be required to restart the NetBackup services on those servers so that the changes take effect.

### To decommission a media server

- 1 Run the following command on the master server or on a media server that is not the object of this operation. The *OldServer* does not have to be up and responsive.

```
nbdecommission -oldserver OldServer
```

Replace *OldServer* with the name of the host to be decommissioned.

- 2 Follow the prompts and perform the requested actions.

## Registering a media server

If the EMM server is not running when you install a media server, the media server is not registered. You cannot discover, configure, and manage the devices of that media server. You must register the media server with the EMM server.

### To register a media server

- 1 Start the EMM service on the EMM server.
- 2 On the EMM server host, run the following command (for the *hostname*, use the host name of the media server):

```
nbemmcmd -addhost -machinename hostname -machinetype media  
-masterserver server_name -operatingsystem  
os_type-netbackupversion level.major_level.minor_level
```

To avoid problems with NetBackup, ensure that the host name that is used in NetBackup matches the host name in the TCP/IP configuration.

Information about `nbemmcmd` command usage is available.

See the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

## Deleting all devices from a media server

You can delete all devices from a media server. The media server can be up, down, or failed and unrecoverable. All devices include robots, drives, and disk pools.

Two procedures exist: one to delete all robots and drives and the other to delete disk pools.

### To delete all robots and drives from a media server

- ◆ Enter the following command on the master server:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/nbemmcmd -deletealldevices  
-machinename server_name -machinetype media
```

Replace *server\_name* with the name of the media server.

### To delete disk pools from a media server

- 1 If the media server has disk pools configured, remove the media server from the storage units that use those disk pools. For each storage unit, run the following command on the master server:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpsturep -label
storage_unit_label -delhost host_name
```

Replace *storage\_unit\_label* with the name of the storage unit and *host\_name* with the name of the media server.

- 2 If the media server is the only storage server for the disk pools, change the state of the disk pools to DOWN. To do so, enter the following command on the master server for each disk pool:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/nbdevconfig -changestate -stype
server_type -dp disk_pool_name -state DOWN
```

Replace *server\_type* with the type of storage server: AdvancedDisk, PureDisk, or the vendor string that identifies the OpenStorage server type.

Replace *disk\_pool\_name* with the name of the disk pool.

- 3 For each disk pool, do the following:

- Remove the media server from disk pool access by entering the following command on the master server:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/nbdevconfig -changedp -dp
disk_pool_name -stype server_type -del_storage_servers
storage_server
```

Replace *disk\_pool\_name* with the name of the disk pool.

Replace *server\_type* with the type of storage server: AdvancedDisk, PureDisk, or the vendor string that identifies the OpenStorage server type.

Replace *storage\_server* with the name of the media server.

- If the disk pool is on disk storage available only to the media server and is no longer required, delete the disk pool as follows:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/nbdevconfig -deletedp -dp
disk_pool_name -stype server_type
```

You cannot delete a disk pool that has unexpired backup images. You must first expire the images and delete the image fragments, as follows:

- Expire the image as follows:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpexpdate -dp
disk_pool_name -stype server_type -nodelete
```

- Determine the media IDs in the disk pool as follows:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpimmedia -dp  
disk_pool_name -stype server_type
```

- Delete each media ID in the disk pool as follows:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/nbdelete -dt disk_type -media_id  
name
```

## Removing a device host from the EMM database

The following applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server.

To remove a device host from the EMM database

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices > Media Servers**.
- 2 Select the host.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Enterprise Media Manager Database > Remove Device Host**.
- 4 Click **Yes** in the confirmation dialog box.

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# Configuring robots and tape drives

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# About NetBackup robot types

A robot is a peripheral device that mounts and unmounts media in tape drives. NetBackup uses robotic control software to communicate with the robot firmware.

NetBackup classifies robots according to one or more of the following characteristics:

- The communication method the robotic control software uses; SCSI and API are the two main methods.
- The physical characteristics of the robot. Library usually refers to a larger robot, in terms of slot capacity or number of drives. Stacker usually refers to a robot with one drive and low media capacity (6 - 12 media slots).
- The media type commonly used by that class of robots. HCART (1/2-inch cartridge tape) and 8 mm are examples of media types.

The following table lists the NetBackup robot types, with drive and slot limits for each type.

To determine which robot type applies to the model of robot that you use, see the Symantec support Web site at the following URL:

<http://entsupport.symantec.com>

**Table 7-1** NetBackup robot types

Robot type	Description	Drive limits	Slot limits	Note
ACS	Automated Cartridge System	1680	No limit	API control. Drive limit determined by ACS library software host.
TL4	Tape library 4mm	2	15	SCSI control.
TL8	Tape library 8mm	No limit	16000	SCSI control.
TLD	Tape library DLT	No limit	32000	SCSI control.
TLH	Tape library Half-inch	256	No limit	API control.
TLM	Tape library Multimedia	250	No limit	API control.



## Device configuration prerequisites

Before you configure storage devices in NetBackup, ensure that the following prerequisites are accomplished:

- The storage devices must be attached to the computer and recognized by the operating system. The server platforms that NetBackup supports may require operating system configuration changes to allow device discovery.

The *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide* provides information about how to configure device drivers for the systems that NetBackup supports.

- If the host on which you configure devices in NetBackup is not the Enterprise Media Manager server, add it to the NetBackup additional servers list.

See “[Servers properties](#)” on page 251.

NetBackup hosts are added automatically to the list of additional servers if the EMM server is running when the host is installed.

If the EMM server is not running, use the `nbbemcmd -addhost` command to add the host.

See the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

## About the device mapping files

NetBackup uses several files to determine which protocols and settings to use to communicate with storage devices. NetBackup also uses the files during device discovery and configuration.

The device mapping files are available for download from the Symantec support site. The download packages contain the following files:

- `external_robotics.txt`
- `external_types.txt`
- `Readme.txt`

In some cases, you can add support for new or upgraded devices without waiting for a release update from Symantec. To do so, download the current device mapping files package from the Symantec support Web site and configure NetBackup to use that file. For instructions, see the `Readme.txt` file that is supplied with the device mapping file package.

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**Note:** The contents of the device mapping files do not indicate support for any of the devices, only the ability to recognize and automatically configure them.

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See “[Downloading the device mapping files](#)” on page 334.

See [“About device discovery”](#) on page 335.

## Downloading the device mapping files

Use the following procedure to download the current device mapping files and update the NetBackup Enterprise Media Manager database with their information.

See [“About the device mapping files”](#) on page 333.

### To download the current device mapping files

- 1 Open the following location in your Web browser:  
`http://entsupport.symantec.com`
- 2 In the **Knowledge Base Search** box, enter the following string (include the quotation marks) and then press Enter:  
`"device mappings package"`
- 3 Select the package for your NetBackup release level and operating system.
- 4 Download the archive file, either a `.tar` or `.zip` depending on operating system.
- 5 Follow the instructions in the `Readme.txt` file to update the device mappings. The `Readme.txt` file contains instructions for both Windows and UNIX operating systems.

## About configuring robots and tape drives

You can configure robots and tape drives in NetBackup as follows:

**Device Configuration Wizard** Symantec recommends that you use the **Device Configuration Wizard** to add, configure, and update the following types of devices in NetBackup:

- Robots, including those attached to NDMP hosts
- Tape drives, including those attached to NDMP hosts
- Shared drives (for NetBackup Shared Storage Option configurations only)

The wizard discovers the devices that are attached to the media servers and helps you configure them.

See [“About device discovery”](#) on page 335.

See [“Configuring robots and tape drives by using the wizard”](#) on page 339.

### Manually

Alternatively, you can add robots and drives manually as follows:

- Use menu options in the **NetBackup Administration Console**.  
See [“Adding a robot”](#) on page 339.  
See [“Adding a tape drive”](#) on page 344.
- Use NetBackup commands.  
See *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

Manual methods do not use device discovery.

If you add a robot and drives, first add the robot and then add the drives that are in the robot.

Device configuration examples are available.

See the *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide*.

## About device discovery

Device discovery is an exploratory method that determines which peripheral devices a host can detect. Detection depends on physical attachment (SCSI, Fibre Channel, and so on) and device state (on and responding or off and not responding). Detection also depends on host operating system device-layer configuration.

The goal of device discovery is to provide information to enable fully or partially automatic configuration of peripherals for use with NetBackup. Device discovery provides data that correlates the devices that are interconnected across multiple hosts or multiple host bus adapters on the same host.

To discover devices, NetBackup issues SCSI pass-through commands through operating system device files (on UNIX) or APIs (on Windows). The storage devices must be attached to the computer and recognized by the operating system. A pass-through path to a device must exist.

The operating systems that NetBackup supports may require configuration changes to allow device discovery.

The *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide* provides information about how to configure device drivers for the systems that NetBackup supports.

NetBackup can discover the following types of devices:

- SCSI-based robotic libraries (such as changers, autoloaders, and stackers)
- SCSI-based tape drives
- Native parallel SCSI, Fibre Channel Protocol (FCP) and FC-AL (loop) connections
- SCSI over IP (reported)

- API type robots, such as ACS, TLM, and TLH robots
- NDMP devices that run NDMP version 3 or later

See [“Enabling automatic path correction”](#) on page 370.

## About device serialization

Device serialization is a firmware feature that allows device identification and configuration. A unique serial number identifies a device.

NetBackup determines device relationships by comparing serial numbers from multiple sources that refer to the same device. If both a robotic library and a drive fully support serialization, NetBackup can determine the drive's position (or address) in the robotic library.

Most robots and drives support device serialization.

If a device supports serialization, the following actions occur when NetBackup queries the device:

- Each robot and each drive return a unique serial number.
- Each robot also returns the number of drives and the serial number for each of the drives in the robot. NetBackup uses the information to determine the correct drive number for each drive in the robot.

If a device does not support serialization, ask the vendor for a new firmware revision that returns serial numbers. Even with the proper firmware, some devices require the vendor to perform other actions to enable serialization for the device.

If you know that the devices do not support serialization, make sure that you follow the maximum configuration limits that the devices allow. You also must coordinate the drives to their device files or SCSI addresses so you can configure them correctly.

See [“Correlating tape drives and device files on UNIX hosts”](#) on page 354.

The more devices in the configuration that do not support serialization, the greater the chance of configuration problems by using the **Device Configuration Wizard**.

## About adding devices without discovery

NetBackup supports some devices that cannot be discovered automatically.

NetBackup also supports some devices that require user intervention during the discovery process. To add and configure those devices, select **NetBackup Administration Console > Media and Device Management** or use the `tpconfig` command.

For the devices that NetBackup cannot discover or that do not have serial numbers, automatic device path correction is limited.

## About robot control

When you add a robot to NetBackup manually, you must configure how the robot is controlled. The **New Robot** dialog box includes a section named **Robot control**, in which you configure the control options.

See [“Robot control \(robot configuration options\)”](#) on page 341.

[Table 7-2](#) lists the information that is required to configure the three robot control types (local, NDMP, and remote). The information that is required depends on the robot type and the media server type.

**Table 7-2** Robot control information

Robot type	Media server type	Robot control	Information required for configuration
ACS	Windows, AIX, Solaris SPARC, HP-UX (except HP IA64), and Linux (except Linux64)	NDMP	NDMP host name and robot device
ACS	All	Remote	ACSL host
TL4	UNIX	Local	Robotic device file
TL4	Windows	Local	Robot device or SCSI coordinates
TL8	UNIX	Local	Robotic device file
TL8	Windows	Local	Robot device or SCSI coordinates
TL8	Windows, AIX, Solaris SPARC, HP-UX (except HP IA64), and Linux (except Linux64)	NDMP	NDMP host name and robot device
TL8	All	Remote	Robot control host
TLD	UNIX	Local	Robotic device file
TLD	Windows	Local	Robot device or SCSI coordinates
TLD	Windows, AIX, Solaris SPARC, HP-UX (except HP IA64), and Linux (except Linux64)	NDMP	NDMP host name and robot device
TLD	All	Remote	Robot control host

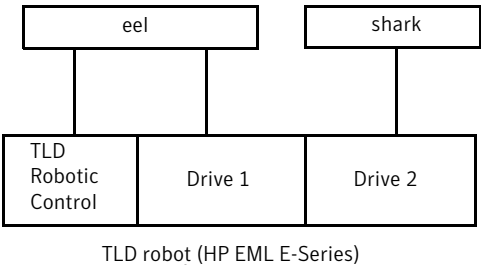
Table 7-2 Robot control information (continued)

Robot type	Media server type	Robot control	Information required for configuration
TLH	All (except Solaris Opteron, HP IA64, AIX, Linux, and Linux64)	Local	Library name
TLH	AIX	Local	LMCP device file
TLH	Windows, AIX, Solaris SPARC, HP-UX (except HP IA64), and Linux (except Linux64)	NDMP	NDMP host name and robot device
TLH	All (except Solaris Opteron, Linux64)	Remote	Robot control host
TLM	All (except Linux64 and HP IA64)	Remote	DAS/SDLC server

## Library sharing example

Figure 7-1 shows library sharing with two servers using two drives in a TLD robot. The robotic control for the robot is on the host that is named eel. One drive in the robot is connected to eel and the other is connected to the host shark. Host eel is the robot control host. To configure this robot on host eel, select **Robot is controlled locally by this device host**. To configure this robot on host shark, select **Robot control is handled by a remote host**. Then, enter eel for the **Robot control host**.

Figure 7-1 Robot control host example



## Configuring robots and tape drives

Symantec recommends that you use the **NetBackup Device Configuration Wizard** to configure robots and drives. However, you can add robots and drives manually.

## Configuring robots and tape drives by using the wizard

Symantec recommends that you use the **Device Configuration Wizard** to configure robots and drives. The wizard configures a robot, its drives, and a storage unit.

### To configure robots and drives by using the wizard

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, click **Media and Device Management**.
- 2 In the right pane, click the **Configure Storage Devices** and follow the wizard instructions.

The properties you can configure depend on the robot type, the host type, and the robot control.

## Adding a robot

When you add a robot manually, you must specify how the robot is controlled.

See [“About NetBackup robot types”](#) on page 332.

See [“About robot control”](#) on page 337.

After you add a robot, you should add the robot's drives.

See [“Adding a tape drive”](#) on page 344.

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**Note:** Symantec recommends that you use the **Device Configuration Wizard** to add and update tape storage devices.

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### To add a robot using the Actions menu

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 On the **Actions** menu, select **New > Robot**.

- 3 In the **Add a New Robot** dialog box, specify the properties for the robot.  
The properties you can configure depend on the robot type, the host type, and the robot control.  
See [“Robot configuration options”](#) on page 341.

**Add a New Robot**

Media Manager host:

Device host:

Robot type:  Robot number:

Robot name:

**Robot control**

☒ Robot is controlled locally by this device host.

☐ Robot control is handled by a remote host.

☐ Robot control is attached to an NDMP host.

Robotic device file:

- 4 After you specify properties, click **OK**.
- 5 If the devices changes are complete, restart the device daemon by selecting **Yes** on the **Media and Device Management** dialog box. If you intend to make other device changes, click **No**; you can restart the device daemon after you make the final change.  
If you restart the device daemon, any backups, archives, or restores that are in progress also may be stopped.



## Robot configuration options

The following topics describe the robot properties that you can configure. The properties that you can configure depend on the robot type, host type, and robot control selections that you make in the dialog box.

### Device host (robot configuration option)

Specifies the host to which the device is attached.

### Robot type (robot configuration option)

Specifies the type of robot. To locate the robot type to use for specific vendors and models, see the Symantec support Web site:

<http://entsupport.symantec.com>

### Robot number (robot configuration option)

Specifies a unique, logical identification number for the robotic library. This number identifies the robotic library in displays (for example, TLD (21)) and is also used when you add media for the robot.

For NetBackup Enterprise Server environments, do the following:

- Robot numbers must be unique for all robots on all hosts in the configuration, regardless of the robot type or the host that controls them. For example, if you have two robots, use different robot numbers even if different hosts control them.
- If you add a robot that is controlled by a remote device host, use the same robot number for that robot on all device hosts.
- If the robot has its robotic control and drives on different hosts, specify the same robot number in all references to that library. That is, use the same robot number on the hosts with the drives as you do on the host that has the robotic control. A Tape Library DLT robot is one that allows separate robotic control and drive hosts.

Examples are available.

See the *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide*.

### Robot control (robot configuration options)

The **Robot control** section of the dialog box specifies the type of control for the robot. The options that you configure depend on the robot type and the media server type.

**Table 7-3** Robot configuration properties

Property	Description
<b>Robot control is attached to an NDMP host</b>	<p>Specifies that an NDMP host controls the robot.</p> <p>You must configure other options (depending on the robot type and device host type).</p>
<b>Robot is controlled locally by this device host</b>	<p>Specifies that the host to which the robot is attached controls the robot.</p> <p>You must configure other options (depending on the robot type and device host type).</p>
<b>Robot control is handled by a remote host</b>	<p>Specifies that a host other than the device host controls the robot.</p> <p>You must configure other options (based on the selected robot type and device host platform).</p>
<b>ACSLS host</b>	<p>Specifies the name of the Sun StorageTek ACSLS host; the ACS library software resides ACSLS host. On some UNIX server platforms, this host can also be a media server or EMM server.</p> <p>The ACS library software component can be any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Automated Cartridge System Library Software (ACSLS) Examples are available. See the <i>NetBackup Device Configuration Guide</i>.</li> <li>■ STK Library Station</li> <li>■ Storagenet 6000 Storage Domain Manager (SN6000). This STK hardware serves as a proxy to another ACS library software component (such as ACSLS).</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> If the device host that has drives under ACS robotic control is a Windows server, STK LibAttach software must also be installed. Obtain the appropriate LibAttach software from STK. See the Symantec support Web site for the latest compatibility information.</p> <p>An overview of ACS robots is available.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Device Configuration Guide</i>.</p>
<b>DAS server</b>	<p>Specifies the name of the ADIC DAS/SDLC server that controls TLM robots.</p> <p>This server is an OS/2 workstation near or within the robot cabinet or a Windows server near the ADIC Scalar library.</p> <p>An overview of TLM robots is available.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Device Configuration Guide</i>.</p>

**Table 7-3** Robot configuration properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Library name</b>	<p>The following applies only to a TLH robot on NetBackup Enterprise Server only.</p> <p>For UNIX device hosts (except AIX), specifies the library name that is configured on the UNIX host.</p> <p>For Windows devices hosts, do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Determine the library name by viewing the <code>C:\winnt\ibmat1.conf</code> file. For example, in the following example entry in that file, 3494AH is the library name: 3494AH 176.123.154.141 ibmpc1</li> <li>■ Enter the library name.</li> </ul> <p>An overview of TLH robots is available.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Device Configuration Guide</i>.</p>
<b>LMCP device file</b>	<p>Applies to NetBackup Enterprise Server on an AIX device host only.</p> <p>Specifies the name of the Library Manager Control Point device file name for TLH robot types. Use the same name that is configured on the AIX device host.</p>
<b>NDMP host name</b>	Specifies the name of the NDMP host to which the robot is attached.
<b>Robot control host</b>	<p>Specifies the host that controls the robot.</p> <p>The name of the host on which the robot information is defined for TL8, TLD, or TLH robots.</p>
<b>Robot device</b>	<p>The following applies to a Windows device host only. Specifies the name of the robot device.</p> <p>Click <b>Browse</b> and then select a robot from the list that appears in the <b>Devices</b> dialog box.</p> <p>If the discovery operation fails to discover a robot, click <b>More</b> in the <b>Devices</b> dialog box. Enter either the <b>Port</b>, <b>Bus</b>, <b>Target</b>, and <b>LUN</b> numbers or the device name in the next dialog box. If the browse operation fails for any other reason, a dialog box appears that lets you enter the information.</p> <p>You can find Port, Bus, Target, and LUN numbers by using Windows management tools.</p> <p>If the browse operation does not find attached robots, an error dialog box appears.</p>

Table 7-3 Robot configuration properties (continued)

Property	Description
Robotic device file	<p>UNIX device host only. Specifies the device file that is used for SCSI connections. The device files are located in the <code>/dev</code> directory tree on the device host.</p> <p>To specify the robotic device file, click <b>Browse</b> and then select a robotic device file from the list that appears in the <b>Devices</b> dialog box.</p> <p>If the browse operation fails to show all of the attached robots, click <b>More</b>. Enter the path of the device file in the <b>robotic device file</b> field.</p> <p>If the browse operation fails to show all of the attached robots, click <b>Other Device</b>. Enter the path of the device file in the next dialog box.</p> <p>If the browse operation does not find attached robots, an error dialog box appears.</p> <p>Information about how to add device files is available.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Device Configuration Guide</i>.</p>
Robot device path	<p>NDMP host only. Specifies the name of the robotic device that is attached to the NDMP host.</p>
Port, Bus, Target, LUN	<p>Windows systems only. The Port, Bus, Target, and LUN are the SCSI coordinates for the robotic device. To specify the SCSI coordinates of the device, enter the Port, Bus, Target, and LUN.</p>

## Adding a tape drive

Use the following procedures to add a tape drive manually.

**Note:** Symantec recommends that you use the **Device Configuration Wizard** to add and update tape storage devices.

To add a drive using the Actions menu

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 On the **Actions** menu, select **New > Tape Drive**.

**Add a New Drive**

Drive name:  ☐ Use drive name seed

**Host and path information**

Enabled	Host	NDMP ...	Path	Serial N...	Port	Bus	Target	LUN

**Drive information**

Drive type:

Cleaning frequency (in hours):

☐ Drive is in a robotic library.

Robotic library:

Robot drive number:

- 3 For the drive name, do one of the following:
  - Enter a name for the drive in the **Drive name** field.  
See [“Drive name \(tape drive configuration option\)”](#) on page 346.
  - Select **Use drive name seed**. This option uses rules to name the drive automatically.  
See [“About drive name rules”](#) on page 349.  
See [“Configuring drive name rules”](#) on page 350.
- 4 To configure the host and path information, click **Add** in the **Host and path information** area of the dialog box.  
See [“Host and path information \(tape drive configuration options\)”](#) on page 347.

- 5 In the **Drive information** area of the dialog box, configure the drive properties. The properties depend on the drive type and host server type.  
See [“Drive information \(tape drive configuration options\)”](#) on page 347.
- 6 After you configure all of the properties, click **OK**.
- 7 If the devices changes are complete, restart the device daemon by selecting **Yes** on the **Media and Device Management** dialog box. If you intend to make other device changes, click **No**; you can restart the device daemon after you make the final change.  
  
If you restart the device daemon, any backups, archives, or restores that are in progress also may be stopped.  
  
The initial drive status is UP, so the drive is available as soon as you restart the Device Manager. To change the status of the drive, select **Device Monitor**.

## Adding a shared tape drive

Symantec recommends that you use the **Device Configuration Wizard** to add, configure, and update shared drives. The **NetBackup Device Configuration Wizard** is the easiest method for adding shared drives in a Shared Storage Option configuration.

See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

## Tape drive configuration options

You can specify properties when you add a tape drive or change the properties of a drive. The properties that you can specify depend on the drive type, server platforms, or NetBackup server types.

### Drive name (tape drive configuration option)

Specifies the name of the drive. Each drive name must be unique. Symantec recommends that you use descriptive names. Drive names are limited to 48 characters.

Alternatively, use the drive name seed to create a unique drive name.

### Use drive name seed (tape drive configuration option)

Adds a drive only. Select to use drive name rules to assign names to drives automatically.

To configure drive name rules, click **Configure**.

See [“About drive name rules”](#) on page 349.

See [“Configuring drive name rules”](#) on page 350.

## Host and path information (tape drive configuration options)

Use the **Host and path information** group box to add or change paths to the drive. You can specify multiple paths to the same physical device. If you specify multiple paths for a drive, it becomes a shared drive.

To add a drive path, click **Add**.

To change a drive path, click **Change**.

To delete a drive path, click **Remove**.

See [“About SCSI reserve on drive paths”](#) on page 352.

See [“Drive path options”](#) on page 352.

## Drive information (tape drive configuration options)

The **Drive information** group box includes drive properties. The properties that you can specify depend on the drive type, server platforms, and NetBackup server types.

[Table 7-4](#) describes the tape drive configuration options.

**Table 7-4** Tape drive configuration options

Option	Description
<b>Drive type</b>	<p>Specifies the type of drive. The following are the valid drive types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 4MM (4mm cartridge)</li> <li>■ 8MM (8mm cartridge)</li> <li>■ 8MM2 (8mm cartridge 2)</li> <li>■ 8MM3 (8mm cartridge 3)</li> <li>■ DLT (DLT cartridge)</li> <li>■ DLT2 (DLT cartridge 2)</li> <li>■ DLT3 (DLT cartridge 3)</li> <li>■ DTF (DTF cartridge)</li> <li>■ HCART (1/2-inch cartridge)</li> <li>■ HCART2 (1/2-inch cartridge 2)</li> <li>■ HCART3 (1/2-inch cartridge 3)</li> <li>■ QSCSI (1/4-inch cartridge)</li> </ul>

**Table 7-4** Tape drive configuration options (*continued*)

Option	Description
<b>Drive is in a robotic library</b>	<p>Specifies that the drive is in a robot. If the drive is a stand-alone drive (it is not in a robot), do not select this option.</p> <p>If you select this option, configure the <b>Robotic library</b> and <b>Robot drive number</b> fields.</p>
<b>Cleaning Frequency</b>	<p>Specifies the frequency-based cleaning for the drive. NetBackup does not support drive cleaning in some robot types.</p> <p>If you want to configure a frequency-based cleaning schedule for the drive, set the number of mount hours between each drive cleaning. When you add a drive or reset the mount time to zero, NetBackup records the amount of time that volumes have been mounted in that drive. The default frequency is zero.</p> <p>When the accumulated mount time exceeds the time you specify for cleaning frequency, drive cleaning occurs if the following are true:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If the drive is in a robotic library that supports drive cleaning</li> <li>■ If a cleaning cartridge is defined in that robotic library</li> <li>■ If the cleaning cartridge is compatible with the drive that needs to be cleaned</li> <li>■ If the cleaning cartridge has a nonzero number of cleanings that remain</li> </ul> <p>NetBackup resets the mount time when the drive is cleaned.</p> <p>Drives can also be cleaned from the <b>Device Monitor</b>.</p> <p>If you do not specify a cleaning frequency, you can still use automated drive cleaning with the TapeAlert feature. Information about TapeAlert drive cleaning is available.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Administrator's Guide for UNIX and Linux, Volume II</i>.</p>
<b>Drive Status</b>	<p>Specifies the availability of the drive.</p> <p>When you add a drive, the default drive status is UP, which means the drive is available. When a drive is UP, the default mode is AVR (Automatic Volume Recognition).</p> <p>To change the drive status, click <b>UP</b> or <b>DOWN</b>.</p> <p>You can also change the drive status by using the commands on the <b>Actions</b> menu in <b>Device Monitor</b>.</p>
<b>Serial Number</b>	A read-only field that shows the serial number of the drive.
<b>Robotic library</b>	Specifies a robot that controls the drive. You can select any configured robot that can control the drive.



**Table 7-4** Tape drive configuration options (*continued*)

Option	Description
<b>Robot drive number</b>	<p>Specifies the physical location in the robot of the drive. When you add more than one drive to a robot, you can add the physical drives in any order. For example, you can add drive 2 before drive 1.</p> <p>The correct robot drive number is critical to the proper mounting and utilization of media. You must determine which logical device name (Windows) or the device file (UNIX) identifies which physical drive in the robot. You should correlate the drive serial number with drive serial number information from the robot.</p> <p>You must determine which physical drive in the robot is identified by the device file name. See <a href="#">“Correlating tape drives and device files on UNIX hosts”</a> on page 354.</p> <p>NetBackup does not detect incorrect drive number assignment during configuration; however, an error occurs when NetBackup tries to mount media on the drive.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The <b>Robot drive number</b> property does not apply when you add drives to API robots. API robots are ACS, TLH, and TLM type in NetBackup.</p>
<b>ACS, LSM, Panel, Drive</b>	<p>Specify the drive locations within an ACS robot.</p> <p>The following information applies only to the ACS robot drive. The <b>ACS</b> property specifies the physical location of the drive within the robot. During installation, the correlation between the physical drive in the robot and the device file you specified earlier represents. You establish this correlation during installation.</p> <p>The drive location properties are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>ACS Number</b> - specifies the index (in ACS library software terms) that identifies the robot that has this drive.</li> <li>■ <b>LSM Number</b> - specifies the Library Storage Module that has this drive.</li> <li>■ <b>Panel Number</b> - specifies the robot panel where this drive is located.</li> <li>■ <b>Drive Number</b> - specifies the physical number of the drive (in ACS library software terms).</li> </ul>
<b>IBM device number</b>	Specifies the IBM device number of the drive within the robot. This property applies only to the TLH robot drive.
<b>DAS drive name</b>	Specifies the DAS/SDLC drive name of the drive within the robot. This property applies only to the TLM robot drive.

## About drive name rules

The drive name rules define the rules NetBackup uses to name drives.

The default, global drive name rule creates names in the following format:

*vendor ID.product ID.index*

If you use the default global rule when you add Quantum DLT8000 drives, the drives are named as follows: The first one that you add is named QUANTUM.DLT8000.000, the second one QUANTUM.DLT8000.001, and so on.

You can change the default, global drive name rule.

You also can create drive name rules for specific device hosts (each device host can have its own rule). Host-specific rules override the global rule for the devices that are attached to the specified host.

Only one global rule can exist; it is used for all connected device hosts. The global rule is used for the drive name unless a host-specific rule or local rule is specified.

Drive names are limited to 48 characters.

Use any of the following drive attributes as part of a drive name rule:

- Host name
- Robot number
- Robot type
- Drive position  
Drive position information varies depending on the robot type. Drive position information can be ACS coordinates, TLM or TLH vendor drive name, or the robot drive number.
- Drive type
- Serial number
- Vendor ID
- Product ID
- Index

A **Custom Text** field is also available which accepts any of the allowable drive name characters.

See [“Configuring drive name rules”](#) on page 350.

## Configuring drive name rules

Use the following procedure to configure the drive name rules.

### To configure drive name rules

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Drives**. Open the **Add a New Drive** dialog box.

See [“Adding a tape drive”](#) on page 344.

- 2 In the **Add a New Drive** dialog box, click **Configure**.

Alternatively, if you use the **NetBackup Device Configuration Wizard**, click **Configure Drive Name Rules** in the **Device Hosts** screen.

**Configure Drive Name Rules**

Use this dialog to automatically create drive names based on rules you specify.  
The default drive name rule creates names in the format VendorID.ProductID.INDEX.

**Host Selection**

☐ Global Rule

☒ gear

**Fields and Order**

Select the fields that will be part of the drive name

host name  
robot number  
robot type  
drive position  
drive type  
vendor ID  
product ID

Add >>

Custom Text:

Add >>

Choose the order in which the fields appear.

Move Up  
Move Down  
Remove

Create Rule

**Configured Drive Name Rules**

Host	Rule Preview
GLOBAL	<vendor ID>. <product ID>. <index>

Delete Rule

OK Cancel Help

- 3 In the **Configure Drive Name Rules** dialog box, configure the rules for naming drives:

- To change the global rule, select **Global Rule**.
- To create a local rule, select the check box for the device host.
- Select the fields from which to create the drive name from the list of available fields. Click **Add>>** to make a field part of the rule.
- To add own text to the drive name rule, enter the text in the **Custom Text** field and click the **Add** button.
- Use the **Move Up** and **Move Down** buttons to change the order of the fields that are defined for the rule.
- Click **Create Rule** to finalize the rule.

If you use **<host name>** in the rule and the drive is a shared drive, the name of the first host that discovers the drive is used as the host name. The name for a shared drive must be identical on all servers that share the drive.

## Adding a tape drive path

Usually, you add a tape drive path when you add a drive to NetBackup. Use the following procedure to add a drive path.

**To add a tape drive path**

- 1
- In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices > Drives > Add a New Drive** dialog box, click **Add**.
- 2
- In the **Add Path** dialog box, configure the properties for the drive path.

The properties that you can specify depend on drive type, server platform, or NetBackup server type.

See [“About SCSI reserve on drive paths”](#) on page 352.

See [“Drive path options”](#) on page 352.

### About SCSI reserve on drive paths

NetBackup lets you configure exclusive access protection to tape drives so that other host bus adaptors (HBAs) cannot control the drives during the reservation. The **Enable SCSI Reserve** host property configures the protection for each media server.

See [“Media properties”](#) on page 165.

More information about how NetBackup reserves drives is available.

See the *NetBackup Administrator’s Guide, Volume II*.

### Drive path options

The following table describes the options to add a drive path.

**Table 7-5** Add drive path options

Option	Description
Device host	Specifies the device host for the drive.
Enable host path	Specifies that the path is active and that NetBackup can use it for backups and restores.

**Table 7-5** Add drive path options (*continued*)

Option	Description
NDMP host	<p>Specifies the NDMP host for the device (if an NDMP host is configured in your NetBackup environment).</p> <p>Additional information is available about NDMP drives.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup for NDMP Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>
Override SCSI Reserve settings	<p>Specifies the SCSI reserve override setting for the drive path.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Server Default.</b> Use the SCSI reserve protection setting configured for the media server. If the setting for the media server is no protection, other HBAs can send the commands that can cause a loss of data to the tape drives.</li> <li>■ <b>SPC-2 SCSI Reserve.</b> This option provides SCSI reserve and release protection for SCSI devices that conform to the reserve and release management method that is defined in the SCSI Primary Commands - 2 (SPC-2) standard.</li> <li>■ <b>SCSI Persistent Reserve.</b> This option provides SCSI persistent reserve in and persistent reserve out protection for SCSI devices that conform to the SCSI Primary Commands - 3 (SPC-3) standard.</li> </ul> <p>Global SCSI reserve properties are configured in the <b>Media</b> host properties.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Media properties”</a> on page 165.</p>
Path	<p>Specifies the path of the character-mode, no rewind device file on the specified host.</p> <p>Device files are in the <code>/dev</code> directory on the UNIX host. If the entries do not exist, see the <i>NetBackup Device Configuration Guide</i> for information about how to create them.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About no rewind device files”</a> on page 353.</p>
This path is for a Network Attached Storage Device	<p>Specifies that the path is for a network attached storage (NAS) device.</p>

## About no rewind device files

UNIX servers only.

Although both rewind and no rewind on close device files are usually available, NetBackup requires only the no rewind device file. A no rewind device remains at its current position on a close operation. On some versions of UNIX, the device file name may be preceded or followed by the letter `n`.

Device files are in the `/dev` directory on the UNIX host. If the entries do not exist, create them as explained in the *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide*.

## Correlating tape drives and device files on UNIX hosts

If your tape drives do not support device serialization, you may have to determine which device file or SCSI address matches the physical drive. You also may have to do so if you add the tape drives manually.

Correlate device files to physical drives when you create the device files for each drive.

### To correlate tape drives and device files on UNIX

- 1 Determine the physical location of each drive within the robotic library. The location usually is shown on the connectors to the drives or in the vendor's documentation.
- 2 Physically connect the drives to SCSI adapters in the host.
- 3 Record the adapter and SCSI addresses to which you connected each drive.
- 4 Create device files for each drive by using the SCSI addresses of the drives and adapters.

Add the device file by using the notes from a previous step to complete the correlation between device files and physical drive location.

- 5 Configure the robot in NetBackup and then add the drives.

When you add the drives, verify that you assign the correct drive address (for example, robot drive number) to each device path.

Optionally, use the appropriate NetBackup robotic test utility to verify the configuration.

Information about the robotic test utilities is available.

See the *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide*.

### To verify the device correlation on UNIX

- 1 Stop the NetBackup device daemon (`ltid`).
- 2 Start `ltid`, which starts the Automatic Volume Recognition daemon (`avrd`). Stop and restart `ltid` to ensure that the current device configuration is activated.

The following point applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server.

If robotic control is not local to this host, also start the remote robotic control daemon.

- 3 Use the robotic test utility to mount a tape on a drive.
- 4 Use the **NetBackup Administration Console Device Monitor** to verify that the tape was mounted on the correct robot drive.

## UNIX device correlation example

Assume a TLD robot includes three drives and the operating system includes the following device paths:

Drive 1            /dev/rmt/0cbn

Drive 2            /dev/rmt/1cbn

Drive 3            /dev/rmt/3cbn

Also assume that you requested that the tape be mounted on drive 1.

If the device path for the drive is configured correctly, the **NetBackup Administration Console Device Monitor** shows that the tape is mounted on drive 1.

If the Device Monitor shows that the tape is mounted on a different drive, the device path for that drive is not configured correctly. For example, if the Device Monitor shows that the tape is mounted on Drive 2, the device path for drive 1 is incorrect. Replace the drive 1 device path (/dev/rmt/0cbn) with the correct device path (/dev/rmt/1cbn) for drive 2. You may need to use a temporary device path while you make these changes. You also know that the device path for drive 2 is incorrect. Possibly, the device paths were swapped during configuration.

Use the robotic test utility to unload and unmount the tape from drive 1. Repeat the test for each drive.

If the path to the drive where the tape is mounted is not on the host with direct robotic control, you may have to unload the drive with a command from another host or from the drive's front panel.

## Updating the device configuration by using the wizard

Symantec recommends that you use the Device Configuration Wizard to update the NetBackup device configuration when hardware changes occur.

Update the configuration for all storage device changes. For example, if you add or delete a robot or drive or add a new SCSI adapter in a host, update the configuration.

Do not update the device configuration during backup or restore activity.

To update the device configuration by using the wizard

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 From the list of wizards in the Details pane, click **Configure Storage Devices** and follow the wizard instructions.

## Managing robots

You can perform various tasks to manage your robots.

### Changing robot properties

Use the following procedure to change the configuration information for a robot.

To change robot properties

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices > Robots**.
- 2 In the **Robots** pane, select the robotic library you want to change.
- 3 Click **Edit > Change**.
- 4 In the **Change Robot** dialog box, change the properties as necessary.

The properties that you can change depend on the robot type, the host type, and the robot control.

See [“Robot configuration options”](#) on page 341.

- 5 If the device changes are complete, restart the device daemon by selecting **Yes** on the **Media and Device Management** dialog box. If you intend to make other device changes, click **No**; you can restart the device daemon after you make the final change.

If you restart the device daemon, any backups, archives, or restores that are in progress also may be stopped.

### Configuring a robot to operate in manual mode

You can configure NetBackup so that storage unit mount requests are displayed in the **Device Monitor** if the robot or drive is down. Pending requests appear in the **Device Monitor**, and you can assign these mount requests to drives manually.

See [“About pending requests for storage units”](#) on page 929.



**To configure a robot so that storage unit mount requests appear in the Device Monitor**

- ◆ Set the robot to operate in Pend If Robot Down (PIRD) mode by using the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/tpconfig -update -robot robot_number -pird  
yes
```

## Deleting a robot

Use the following procedure to delete a robot or robots when the media server is up and running.

Any drives that are configured as residing in a robot that you delete are changed to standalone drives.

Any media in the deleted robot is also moved to standalone. If the media is no longer usable or valid, delete it from the NetBackup configuration.

See [“Deleting a volume”](#) on page 393.

If the media server is down or the host has failed and cannot be recovered, you can delete its robots by using a different procedure.

See [“Deleting all devices from a media server”](#) on page 326.

**To delete a robot**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 Select **Robots** in the tree pane.
- 3 In the **Robots** pane, select the robot or robots you want to delete.
- 4 On the **Edit** menu, select **Delete**.
- 5 At the prompt, click **Yes**.

## Moving a robot and its media to a new media server

Use the following process to move a robot and its media from one server (the *old\_server*) to a different media server (the *new\_server*).

**Table 7-6** Move a robot and media to a new server overview

Task	Procedure
Determine which tapes on the <i>old_server</i> contain NetBackup images that have not expired.	Run the following <code>bpmedialist</code> command:  <code>bpmedialist -mlist -l -h old_server</code> The <code>-l</code> option produces one line of output per tape.
Move the tapes in the robot that is attached to the <i>old_server</i> to non-robotic status (standalone).	See <a href="#">“Moving volumes by using the Actions menu”</a> on page 406.
Move the media logically from the <i>old_server</i> to the <i>new_server</i> .	If both the <i>old_server</i> and the <i>new_server</i> are at NetBackup 6.0 or later, run the following command:  <code>bpmedia -movedb -allvolumes -oldserver old_server -newserver new_server</code> If either server runs a NetBackup version earlier than 6.0, run the following command for each volume that has active images:  <code>bpmedia -movedb -ev media_ID -oldserver old_server -newserver new_server</code> For the media that has active images, see the <code>bpmedialist</code> command output from the first step of this process.
Configure NetBackup so that restore requests are directed to the <i>new_server</i> .	See <a href="#">“Forcing restores to use a specific server”</a> on page 144.
Shut down both the <i>old_server</i> and the <i>new_server</i> .	See the vendor's documentation.
Disconnect the robot from the <i>old_server</i> .	See the vendor's documentation.
Connect the robot to the <i>new_server</i> . Verify that the operating system on the new media server recognizes the robots.	See the vendor's documentation.
Use the NetBackup Device Configuration Wizard to add the robots and drives to the media servers.	See <a href="#">“Configuring robots and tape drives by using the wizard”</a> on page 339.
Create the appropriate NetBackup storage units.	See <a href="#">“Creating a storage unit”</a> on page 485.
Inventory the robots that are attached to the <i>new_server</i> . The inventory updates the location of all tapes in the robot.	See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.

# Managing tape drives

You can perform various tasks to manage tape drives.

## Changing a drive comment

You can change the comment associated with a drive. Drive comments appear in the **Drive Status** pane.

### To change a drive comment

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Drive Status** pane, select a drive or select multiple drives.
- 4 On the **Actions** menu, select **Change Drive Comment**. The dialog box shows the current comment (if any is currently configured).
- 5 (Shared Storage Option.) For a shared drive, select the host and the device path to the selected drive that you want to change. You can change the comment for any or all of the host and the device paths.
- 6 Add a comment or change the current drive comment.  
See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.
- 7 Click **OK**.

## About downed drives

NetBackup downs a drive automatically when there are read or write errors that surpass the threshold within the time window. The default drive error threshold is 2. That is, NetBackup downs a drive on the third drive error in the default time window (12 hours).

Common reasons for write failures are dirty write heads or old media. The reason for the action is logged in the NetBackup error catalog (view the Media Logs report or the All Log Entries report). If NetBackup downs a device, it is logged in the system log.

You can use the NetBackup `nbemmcmd` command with the `--drive_error_threshold` and `-time_window` options to change the default values.

Additional information about `nbemmcmd` is available.

See *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

To reverse a down action, in the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor** to set the device to Up.

See [“Changing a drive operating mode”](#) on page 360.

## Changing a drive operating mode

Usually you do not need to change the operating mode of a drive. When you add a drive, NetBackup sets the drive state to UP in Automatic Volume Recognition (AVR) mode. Other operating mode settings are used for special purposes.

The drive operating mode is displayed and changed in the **Device Monitor** window.

### To change the mode of a drive

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Drive Status** pane, select a drive or select multiple drives.
- 4 From the **Actions** menu, choose the command for the new drive operating mode.

Note that **Up Drive, Operator control** applies only to standalone drives.

- 5 If the drive is configured with multiple device paths or is a shared drive (Shared Storage Option), a dialog box appears that contains a list of all device paths to the drive. Select the path or paths to change.
- 6 Click **OK**.

## Changing a tape drive path

Use the following procedure to change a drive path.

See [“Changing a drive path operating mode”](#) on page 361.

### To change a drive path

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices > Drives**. In the **Change Drive** dialog box, select the drive path.
- 2 In the **Change Path** dialog box, configure the properties for the drive path.

The properties you can change depend on drive type, server platform, or NetBackup server type.

See [“About SCSI reserve on drive paths”](#) on page 352.

See [“Drive path options”](#) on page 352.

## Changing a drive path operating mode

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**. In the right pane of the **Device Monitor** dialog box, the **Drive Paths** pane shows path information for drives if one of the following is true:

- Multiple (redundant) paths to a drive are configured
- Any drives are configured as shared drives (Shared Storage Option)

### To change a drive path operating mode

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Drive Paths** pane, select a path or select multiple paths.
- 4 On the **Actions** menu, choose a command for the path action, as follows:
  - **Up Path**
  - **Down Path**
  - **Reset Path**

## Changing tape drive properties

Use the following procedure to change the configuration information for a drive.

### To change drive properties

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices > Drives**.
- 2 In the details pane, select the drive you want to change.
- 3 Click **Edit > Change**.
- 4 In the **Change Drive** dialog box, change the properties of the drive.

The properties depend on the drive type and host server type.

See [“Tape drive configuration options”](#) on page 346.

- 5 After you change the properties, click **OK**.
- 6 If the devices changes are complete, restart the device daemon by selecting **Yes** on the **Media and Device Management** dialog box. If you intend to make other device changes, click **No**; you can restart the device daemon after you make the final change.

If you restart the device daemon, any backups, archives, or restores that are in progress also may be stopped.

The initial drive status is UP, so the drive is available as soon as you restart the device daemon.

## Changing a tape drive to a shared drive

Change a drive to a shared drive by adding paths to a currently configured drive.

To configure and use a shared drive, a Shared Storage Option license is required on each master server and media server.

### To change a drive to a shared drive

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 Select **Drives** in the tree pane.
- 3 Select the drive you want to change in the **Drives** pane.
- 4 Click **Edit > Change**.
- 5 In the **Change Tape Drive** dialog box, click **Add**.
- 6 In the **Add Path** dialog box, configure the properties for the hosts and paths that share the drive.

## Cleaning a tape drive from the Device Monitor

When you add a drive to NetBackup, you configure the automatic, frequency-based cleaning interval.

Also, you can perform an operator-initiated cleaning of a drive regardless of the cleaning frequency or accumulated mount time of the drive. However, appropriate cleaning media must be added to NetBackup.

After you clean a drive, reset the mount time.

See [“Resetting the mount time”](#) on page 364.

See the *NetBackup Administrator’s Guide, Volume II*.

### To clean a tape drive

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If a license that activates disk based features is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Drive Status** pane, select the drive to clean.
- 4 On the **Actions** menu, expand **Drive Cleaning > Clean Now**. NetBackup initiates drive cleaning regardless of the cleaning frequency or accumulated mount time.

The **Clean Now** option resets the mount time to zero, but the cleaning frequency value remains the same. If the drive is a stand-alone drive and it contains a cleaning tape, NetBackup issues a mount request.

- 5 For a shared drive (Shared Storage Option), do the following:

In the list of hosts that share the drive, choose only one host on which the function applies. The **Clean Now** function can take several minutes to complete, so the cleaning information in the **Drive Details** dialog box may not be updated immediately.

## Deleting a drive

Use the following procedure to delete a drive or drives when the media server is up and running.

If the media server is down or the host has failed and cannot be recovered, you can delete its drives by using a different procedure.

See [“Deleting all devices from a media server”](#) on page 326.

### To delete a drive

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 Select **Drives** in the tree pane.
- 3 Select the drive or drives that you want to delete from the **Drives** pane.
- 4 On the **Edit** menu, select **Delete**.
- 5 At the prompt, click **Yes**.

## Resetting a drive

Resetting a drive changes the state of the drive.

Usually you reset a drive when its state is unknown, which occurs if an application other than NetBackup uses the drive. When you reset the drive, it returns to a known state before use with NetBackup. If a SCSI reservation exists on the drive, a reset operation from the host that owns the reservation can help the SCSI reservation.

If the drive is in use by NetBackup, the reset action fails. If the drive is not in use by NetBackup, NetBackup tries to unload the drive and set its run-time attributes to default values.

Note that a drive reset does not perform any SCSI bus or SCSI device resets.

Use the following procedure to reset a drive.

**To reset a drive**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Drive Status** pane, select a drive or select multiple drives.
- 4 Select **Actions > Reset Drive**. If the drive is in use by NetBackup and cannot be reset, restart the NetBackup Job Manager to free up the drive.
- 5 Determine which job controls the drive (that is, which job writes to or reads from the drive).
- 6 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, click on **Activity Monitor**. In the right pane of the **Activity Monitor** dialog box, select the **Jobs** tab and cancel the job.
- 7 In the **Activity Monitor**, restart the NetBackup Job Manager, which cancels all NetBackup jobs in progress.

## Resetting the mount time

You can reset the mount time of the drive. Reset the mount time to zero after you perform a manual cleaning.

**To reset the mount time**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Drive Status** pane, select a drive.



- 4 Select **Actions > Drive Cleaning > Reset Mount Time**. The mount time for the selected drive is set to zero.
- 5 If you use the Shared drive (Shared Storage Option), do the following:  
In the list of hosts that share the drive, choose only one host on which the function applies.

## Setting drive cleaning frequency

When you add a drive to NetBackup, you configure the automatic, frequency-based cleaning interval. In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor** to change the cleaning frequency that was configured when you added the drive.

### To set the cleaning frequency

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Drive Status** pane, select a drive.
- 4 On the **Actions** menu, expand **Drive Cleaning > Set Cleaning Frequency**.
- 5 Enter a time (hours) or use the arrow controls to select the number of mount hours between drive cleaning.

The **Cleaning Frequency** option is not available for the drives that do not support frequency-based cleaning. This function is not available for shared drives.

The drive cleaning interval appears in the **Drive Details** dialog box (**Actions > Drive Details**).

## Viewing drive details

You can obtain detailed information about drives (or shared drives), such as drive cleaning, drive properties, drive status, host, and robotic library information.

Use the following procedure to view the drive details.

### To view the drive details

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the Drive Status pane, select a drive.

4 Select **Actions > Drive Details**.

5 The following applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server:

If you use the Shared drive for shared drives, you can view the drive control mode and drive index for each host that shares a drive. You also can view a list of hosts that share a drive.

## Performing device diagnostics

Diagnostic functions let you run and manage drive and robot diagnostic tests. Diagnostics are executed in an ordered sequence to verify the functionality of hardware devices. These tests can help you to troubleshoot drive or robot problems.

### About device diagnostic tests

NetBackup diagnostic functions let you run and manage diagnostic tests. Diagnostics are performed in an ordered sequence to verify the functionality of hardware devices. These tests can help you to troubleshoot and drive problems.

### Running a robot diagnostic test

Use this procedure to run diagnostic tests on TLD or TL8 robotic libraries.

Ensure that the library to be tested is properly configured for use with NetBackup. The existing NetBackup robotic control daemons or processes are used for the test.

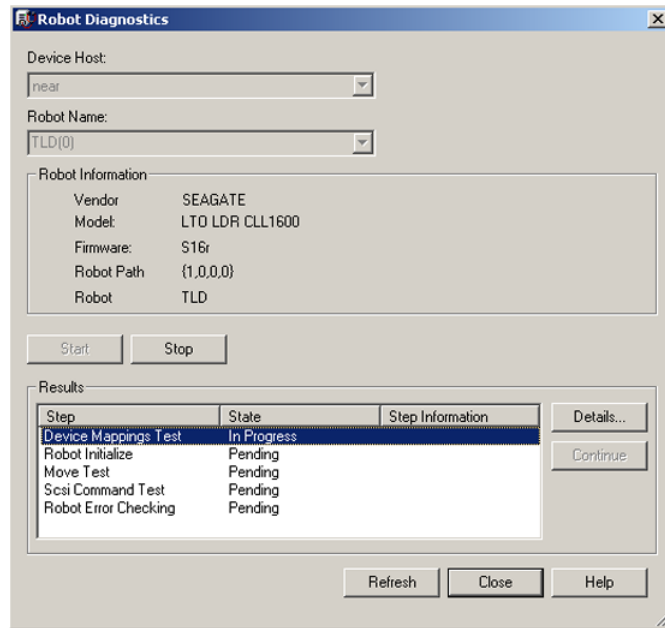
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**Note:** NetBackup does not support diagnostic tests for API-attached robotic tape libraries and other types of SCSI-attached libraries.

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### To run a robot diagnostic test

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 On the **Actions** menu, select **Robot Diagnostics**.



- 3 In the **Robot Diagnostics** dialog box, select the media server that is the **Device Host** for the robot that you want to test.
- 4 In the **Robot Name** field, select the robot that you want to diagnose.
- 5 Click **Start** to start the diagnostic tests.

The **Results** window shows results of each step in the test.

Operator intervention is required if the **State** column of the **Results** window contains **Waiting**. For example, a test step may prompt you to load a new tape into a drive before the test can continue.

- 6 If operator intervention is required, select the test step in the **Results** window and click **Details** to determine what you must do. Complete the requested operation task and then click **Continue** in the **Test Details** dialog box to resume the test

#### To stop a test and change the device

- 1 Click **Stop**.

The test ends after it performs any necessary clean-up work and updates the test records to reflect that the test run has been stopped.

- 2 In the **Device Host** and the **Robot Name** boxes, select the host and the robot that you want to test.
- 3 Click **Start** to restart the diagnostic test.

## Running a tape drive diagnostic test

NetBackup diagnostic functions let you run and manage diagnostic tests. Diagnostics are performed in an ordered sequence to verify the functionality of hardware devices. These tests can help you to troubleshoot drive problems.

#### To run a tape drive diagnostic test

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 On the **Actions** menu, select **Drive Diagnostics**.
- 3 In the **Drive Diagnostics** dialog box, select the media server that contains the drive that you want to test in the **Device Host** box.
- 4 In the **Drive Name** box, select the drive.
- 5 Click **Start** to start the diagnostic tests.

For robotic drives, the test media is loaded automatically.

For a stand-alone drive, insert the prelabeled test tape that is shown in the **Step Information** column of the **Results** window.

The **Results** window shows results of each step in the test.

- 6 If operator intervention is required, the State column of the Results window displays Waiting. For example, a test step may require that you to load a new tape into a drive before the test can continue.

Complete the intervention and then click **Continue**.

Select the test step in the **Results** window and click **Details** to determine what you must do. Complete the requested operation task and then click **Continue** in the **Test Details** dialog box to resume the test

### To stop a test and change the device

- 1 Click **Stop**.

The test ends after it performs any necessary clean-up work and updates the test records to reflect that the test run has been stopped.

- 2 In the **Device Host** and the **Drive** boxes, select the host and the drive that you want to test.
- 3 Click **Start** to restart the diagnostic test.

## Managing a diagnostic test step that requires operator intervention

Operator intervention is required if the **Status** column of the **Results** display contains **Waiting**. For example, a test step may prompt for a new tape to be loaded into a drive before the test continues.

### To manage a diagnostic step

- 1 Complete the requested operations task.
- 2 Click **Continue** to resume the test.

If you clicked **Details** for a test step that requires operator intervention, you can click **Continue** from the **Test Details** dialog box.

## Obtaining detailed information for a diagnostic test step

You can get information for a test step at any time during the test.

### To obtain detailed information for a diagnostic test step

- 1 Select a test step in the **Results** display.
- 2 Click **Details**. A dialog box appears that displays information for the step.

The information includes a brief explanation of the checks that are performed by a specific step and the instructions that are associated with any step that requires manual intervention. For example, a step may prompt for a new tape to be loaded into a tape drive before the diagnostic session continues.

- 3 Click **Close** to return to the **Device Diagnostics** dialog box.

## Verifying the device configuration

Verify the device configuration by running the Device Configuration Wizard. However, some details of a device configuration cannot be validated without attempting tape mounts. Use the NetBackup `robtest` utility to mount tapes and validate the configuration.

To verify robots and drives by using the wizard

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 From the list of wizards in the Details pane, click **Configure Storage Devices** and follow the wizard instructions.

## About automatic path correction

NetBackup automatic path correction recognizes if you change a device because the serial number of the new device is different than the serial number of the old device. NetBackup updates the device configuration automatically.

NetBackup recognizes device changes as follows:

- When the device daemon (`ltid`) performs automatic path correction.
- When the Windows Plug-n-Play feature performs serial number checks.

By default, Windows and Linux systems are configured for automatic path correction. On other operating systems, you must enable it.

See [“Enabling automatic path correction”](#) on page 370.

In some circumstances, NetBackup may be unable to determine the correct serial number in a small number of tape drives and robotic libraries. For example, NetBackup may configure serialized devices as unserialized or configure a device with the wrong serial number. If so, a device may be unusable (such as the tape drive may be downed).

To resolve such a problem, do one of the following actions:

- Configure the new device by using the **NetBackup Device Configuration Wizard**.  
See [“Configuring robots and tape drives by using the wizard”](#) on page 339.  
The server operating system must recognize the device before you can configure it in NetBackup. Device configuration can require remapping, rediscovery, and possibly a restart of the operating system.  
See the *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide*.
- Disable the automated device discovery by using the **vm.conf** file `AUTO_PATH_CORRECTION` option.

## Enabling automatic path correction

See [“About automatic path correction”](#) on page 370.

**To configure automatic path correction**

- 1 Use a text editor to open the following file:

```
/usr/opensv/volmgr/vm.conf
```

- 2 Add the following `AUTO_PATH_CORRECTION` entry to the file:

```
AUTO_PATH_CORRECTION = YES
```

If it already exists but is set to **NO**, change the value to **YES**.

- 3 Save the file and exit the text editor.

## Replacing a device

[Table 7-7](#) describes the process to replace a device on a single host.

[Table 7-8](#) describes the process to replace a shared device.

**Table 7-7** To replace a device on a single host

Task	Instructions
If the device is a drive, change the drive state to DOWN.	See <a href="#">“Changing a drive operating mode”</a> on page 360.
Replace the device. Specify the same SCSI ID for the new device as the old device.	See the vendor's documentation.
If the device is a drive, change the drive state to UP.	See <a href="#">“Changing a drive operating mode”</a> on page 360.
If either of the following are true, configure the new device by using the <b>NetBackup Device Configuration Wizard</b> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ You replaced a drive with a different drive type.</li><li>■ You replaced a serialized drive with an unserialized drive.</li></ul>	See <a href="#">“Configuring robots and tape drives by using the wizard”</a> on page 339.

**Table 7-8** To replace a shared device

Task	Instructions
If the device is a drive, change the drive state to DOWN.	See <a href="#">“Changing a drive operating mode”</a> on page 360.
Replace the device. Specify the same SCSI ID for the new device as the old device.	See the vendor's documentation.

**Table 7-8** To replace a shared device (*continued*)

Task	Instructions
Produce a list of new and missing hardware.	The following command scans for new hardware and produces a report that shows the new and the replaced hardware:  <code>/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/tpautoconf -report_disc</code>
Ensure that all servers that share the new device are up and that all NetBackup services are active.	See <a href="#">“Starting or stopping a daemon”</a> on page 919.
Read the serial number from the new device and update the EMM database.	If the device is a robot, run the following command:  <code>/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/tpautoconf -replace_robot robot_number -path robot_path</code>  If the device is a drive, run the following commands:  <code>/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/tpautoconf -replace_drive drive_name -path path_name</code>
If the new device is an unserialized drive, run the <b>NetBackup Device Configuration Wizard</b> on all servers that share the drive.  If the new device is a robot, run the <b>NetBackup Device Configuration Wizard</b> on the server that is the robot control host.	See <a href="#">“Configuring robots and tape drives by using the wizard”</a> on page 339.
If the device is a drive, change the drive state to UP.	See <a href="#">“Changing a drive operating mode”</a> on page 360.

## Updating device firmware

By default, NetBackup recognizes if you update the firmware of a device.

The following table describes an overview of how to update device firmware.



**Table 7-9** How to update device firmware

Task	Instructions
If the device is a drive, change the drive state to DOWN.	See <a href="#">“Changing a drive operating mode”</a> on page 360.
Update the firmware.	See the vendor's documentation.
If the device is a drive, change the drive state to UP.	See <a href="#">“Changing a drive operating mode”</a> on page 360.

## About the Media Manager device daemon

The Media Manager Device daemon (`ltid`) processes requests to mount and unmount tapes in robotically controlled devices through the robotic control processes. If you stop and restart the device daemon, it stops and restarts the Volume Manager (`vmd`), the automatic volume recognition process (`avrd`), and any robotic processes.

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**Note:** If you stop and restart the device daemon, any backups, archives, or restores that are in progress fail.

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See [“Stopping and restarting the device daemon”](#) on page 374.

## About external access to NetBackup controlled devices

The Media Manager device daemon `ltid` restricts access to drives that are in an UP state by changing the permissions of the device files for those drives. The permissions are changed to 0600 when `ltid` starts and back to their original settings when `ltid` is terminated. The permissions also are returned to their original settings when a drive's state is changed to DOWN).

Do not modify the permissions of these device files when `ltid` is active. The NetBackup `avrd` daemon periodically tries to rewind and read data from media in the drives that are UP and are not currently assigned in NetBackup.

To ensure reliable operation, do not use UNIX tape and drive commands on the drives that are UP and controlled by `ltid`. Users can use the NetBackup `tpreq` and `tpunmount` commands and the `drive_mount_notify` and `drive_unmount_notify` scripts on those drives.

Information about the notify scripts is available.

See “NetBackup notify scripts” in the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide for UNIX and Linux, Volume II*.

## Stopping and restarting the device daemon

Use the following procedure to stop and restart the Media Manager device daemon.

When you make device configuration changes, NetBackup asks if you want to restart the device daemon.

### To start or stop the Media Manager device daemon

- 1** In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2** On the **Actions** menu, select **Stop/Restart Media Manager Device Daemon**.
- 3** Select a device host.  
If the device host is a Backup Exec server, it does not appear in the list.
- 4** Select the action to perform.
- 5** Select whether to eject media from a stand-alone drive and whether to enable debug logging.  
The eject operation is a logical one.
- 6** Click **Apply** or **OK**.  
By using **Apply**, you can select device hosts and actions for more than one device host.
- 7** Click **OK** to close the dialog box.

# Configuring tape media

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About tape volumes](#)
- [NetBackup media types](#)
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- [Adding volumes by using the wizard](#)
- [Adding volumes by using the Actions menu](#)
- [Managing volumes](#)
- [About volume pools](#)
- [Adding a volume pool](#)
- [Managing volume pools](#)
- [About volume groups](#)
- [Managing volume groups](#)
- [About media sharing](#)
- [Configuring unrestricted media sharing](#)
- [Configuring media sharing with a server group](#)

## About tape volumes

A tape volume is a data storage tape or a cleaning tape. NetBackup assigns attributes to each volume and uses them to track and manage the volumes.

Attributes include the media ID, robot host, robot type, robot number, and slot location.

Volume information is stored in the EMM database.

See [“About the Enterprise Media Manager \(EMM\) database”](#) on page 786.

NetBackup uses two volume types, as follows:

Robotic volumes	Volumes that are located in a robot.
Stand-alone volumes	Volumes that are in or are allocated for the drives that are not in a robot.

Catalog backup volumes are not a special type in NetBackup. They are the data storage volumes that you assign to the **CatalogBackup** volume pool. To add NetBackup catalog backups, use any of the add volume methods. Ensure that you assign them to the volume pool you use for catalog backups. After adding volumes, use the NetBackup Catalog Backup wizard to configure a catalog backup policy.

See [“About the NetBackup catalog”](#) on page 779.

WORM media can be used with NetBackup.

See [“About WORM media”](#) on page 378.

## NetBackup media types

NetBackup uses media types to differentiate the media that have different physical characteristics. Each media type may represent a specific physical media type; for example, NetBackup media type of 8MM, 8MM2, or 8MM3 can represent Sony AIT media.

The NetBackup media types are also known as Media Manager media types.

[Table 8-1](#) describes the NetBackup media types.

**Table 8-1** NetBackup media types

Media type	Description
4MM	4MM cartridge tape
4MM_CLN	4MM cleaning tape
8MM	8MM cartridge tape
8MM_CLN	8MM cleaning tape
8MM2	8MM cartridge tape 2

**Table 8-1** NetBackup media types (*continued*)

Media type	Description
8MM2_CLN	8MM cleaning tape 2
8MM3	8MM cartridge tape 3
8MM3_CLN	8MM cleaning tape 3
DLT	DLT cartridge tape
DLT_CLN	DLT cleaning tape
DLT2	DLT cartridge tape 2
DLT2_CLN	DLT cleaning tape 2
DLT3	DLT cartridge tape 3
DLT3_CLN	DLT cleaning tape 3
DTF	DTF cartridge tape
DTF_CLN	DTF cleaning tape
HCART	1/2 inch cartridge tape
HCART2	1/2 inch cartridge tape 2
HCART3	1/2 inch cartridge tape 3
HC_CLN	1/2 inch cleaning tape
HC2_CLN	1/2 inch cleaning tape 2
HC3_CLN	1/2 inch cleaning tape 3
QCART	1/4 inch cartridge tape

NetBackup writes media in a format that allows the position to be verified before appending new backups.

See “Media formats” in the *NetBackup Administrator’s Guide, Volume II*.

## Alternate NetBackup media types

Alternate media types let you define more than one type of tape in the same library. You can use the alternate types to differentiate between different physical cartridges.

The following are examples of alternate media types:

- 8MM, 8MM2, 8MM3
- DLT, DLT2, DLT3
- HCART, HCART2, HCART3

For example, if a robot has DLT4000 and DLT7000 drives, you can specify the following media types:

- DLT media type for the DLT4000 tapes
- DLT2 media type for the DLT7000 tapes

NetBackup then does not load a tape that was written in a DLT4000 drive into a DLT7000 drive and vice versa.

You must use the appropriate default media type when you configure the drives. (When you configure drives in NetBackup, you specify the default media type to use in each drive type.)

In a robot, all of the volumes (of a specific vendor media type) must be the same NetBackup media type. For example, for a TLH robot that contains 3490E media, you can assign either NetBackup HCART, HCART2, or HCART3 media type to that media. You cannot assign HCART to some of the media and HCART2 (or HCART3) to other of the media.

## About WORM media

You can use WORM (Write-Once-Read-Many) media to protect key data from unwanted modification or to meet compliance regulations.

NetBackup uses the QIC/WORM tape format for WORM media. This format lets NetBackup append images to WORM tape.

See "Media Formats" in the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

Tape error recovery is disabled for WORM media. NetBackup has job resume logic, which tries to resume a job that has been interrupted (such as an interruption on the Fibre Channel ). However, NetBackup fails a job that uses WORM media and then retries the failed job. Symantec recommends that you use checkpoint and restart for backups.

The `bplabel` command labels only LTO-3 WORM tapes. All other WORM media cannot be labeled because the label cannot be overwritten when the media is used.

The following are the limitations for WORM tape:

- Third-party copy backups are not supported with WORM media.
- NetBackup does not support resume logic with WORM tape. NetBackup fails a job that uses WORM media and then retries the failed job. Alternatively, if

checkpoint and restart are used, NetBackup restarts the job from the last checkpoint. Symantec recommends that you use checkpoint and restart for backups.

- WORM tape is not supported with NetWare media servers.

## How to use WORM media in NetBackup

Two methods exist to ensure that data that is intended for WORM media is written on WORM media.

See [“About using volume pools to manage WORM media”](#) on page 379.

See [“About using unique drive and media types to manage WORM media”](#) on page 381.

### Supported WORM drives

NetBackup requires a SCSI pass-through driver to use WORM tape drives. NetBackup queries the drive to verify that drive is WORM-capable and that the media in the drive is WORM media. SCSI pass-through paths are provided on the server platforms NetBackup supports. SCSI pass-through paths may require special operating system configuration changes.

See the *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide*.

For information about the drives that NetBackup supports for WORM media, see the NetBackup Hardware Compatibility List on the Symantec support Web site:

<http://entsupport.symantec.com>

All of the vendors except Quantum require the use of special WORM media.

Quantum lets NetBackup convert standard tape media to WORM media. To use Quantum drives for WORM media on Solaris systems, modify the `st.conf` file.

Information is available about how to configure nonstandard tape drives and how to edit the `st.conf` file.

See the *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide*.

### About using volume pools to manage WORM media

You can dedicate volume pools for the WORM media. This method lets a WORM-capable tape drive back up and restore standard and WORM media.

Create a new volume pool and specify WORM (uppercase letters) as the first four characters of the pool name.

See [“Adding a volume pool”](#) on page 411.

NetBackup compares the first four characters of the volume pool name to determine if it is a volume pool that contains WORM media. The first four characters must be WORM.

To disable the volume pool name verification, create the following touch file on the media server of the WORM drive:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/config/DISABLE_WORM_POOLCHECK
```

Note the following cases:

- If the drive contains WORM media and the media is in a WORM volume pool, NetBackup writes the media as WORM.
- If the drive contains WORM media and the media is not in a WORM volume pool, NetBackup freezes the media.
- If the drive contains standard media and the media is in a WORM volume pool, NetBackup freezes the media.
- If the drive contains Quantum media that has never been used or all of its NetBackup images have expired, NetBackup uses the media.

### About using a WORM scratch pool

For all supported WORM-capable drives (except the Quantum drive), the scratch pool must only contain one type of media. Symantec recommends that you add the most commonly used media to the scratch pool. For example, if most NetBackup jobs use standard media, put standard media in the scratch pool.

If the scratch pool contains standard media, ensure that the WORM volume pool does not run out of media to complete backup jobs.

If the WORM volume pool runs out of media, NetBackup performs the following actions:

- Moves the standard media from the scratch pool into the WORM pool.
- Loads the standard media into a WORM-capable drive.
- Freezes the media.

NetBackup repeats this process until all of the standard media in the scratch pool is frozen.

The opposite also is true. If a standard volume pool runs out of media and the scratch pool contains WORM media, standard backups can fail because appropriate media are unavailable.



## About WORM media and the Quantum drive

When you use the Quantum drive, only one kind of media can be used as either standard media or WORM media.

If a WORM volume pool runs out of media, media are moved from the scratch volume pool into the WORM pool. NetBackup determines whether the media are configured as standard or WORM media. For a standard media volume, NetBackup reads the tape label and verifies that the media is unused or that all images are expired. NetBackup also verifies that the media is not currently assigned to a server. After verification, NetBackup configures the media as WORM media and continues with the NetBackup job.

## About using unique drive and media types to manage WORM media

You can assign a different drive and media type to all WORM drives and media. For example, configure standard drives and media as HCART and WORM-capable drives and media as HCART2.

This method lets you add both types of media in the scratch pool because NetBackup selects the correct media type for the drive type.

However, because each drive is limited to backups and restores with a specific type of media, optimal drive usage may not be achieved. For example, the WORM-capable drives cannot be used for backups with standard media even if no WORM backups are in progress.

If you do not use WORM volume pools to manage WORM media, disable the WORM volume pool name verification. To disable the volume pool name verification, create the following touch file on the media server of the WORM drive:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/config/DISABLE_WORM_POOLCHECK
```

Because Quantum drives use only a single media type, this method for managing the WORM media is unnecessary.

# About adding volumes

Adding volumes is a logical operation that assigns NetBackup attributes to physical media. The media can reside in storage devices already, or you can add them to the storage devices when you add them to NetBackup. How you add volumes depends on the type of volume: robotic or stand-alone.

## About adding robotic volumes

Robotic volumes are the volumes that are located in a robotic tape library.

**Table 8-2** Methods for adding robotic volumes

Method	Description
The Volume Configuration Wizard	See <a href="#">“Adding volumes by using the wizard”</a> on page 383.
Robot inventory	See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.
The <b>Actions</b> menu	See <a href="#">“Adding volumes by using the Actions menu”</a> on page 383.
NetBackup commands	See <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i> .

## About adding stand-alone volumes

Stand-alone volumes are the volumes that reside in the drives that are not in a robot or are allocated for stand-alone drives.

Because NetBackup does not label volumes until it uses them, you can add volumes even though they do not reside in a drive. The additional volumes are available for use if the volume in a drive becomes full or unusable. For example, if a volume in a stand-alone drive is full or unusable because of errors, NetBackup ejects (logically) the volume. If you add other stand-alone volumes, NetBackup requests that volume; NetBackup does not generate an `out of media error`.

The easiest way to add stand-alone volumes is to use the Volume Configuration Wizard. Then, when NetBackup requests one of the volumes, insert it into the stand-alone drive and NetBackup labels it.

The `DISABLE_STANDALONE_DRIVE_EXTENSIONS` option of the `nbemmcmd` command can turn off the automatic use of stand-alone volumes.

**Table 8-3** Methods for adding stand-alone volumes

Method	Description
The Volume Configuration Wizard	See <a href="#">“Adding volumes by using the wizard”</a> on page 383.
The <b>Actions</b> menu	See <a href="#">“Adding volumes by using the Actions menu”</a> on page 383.
NetBackup commands	See <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i> .

## Adding volumes by using the wizard

The easiest way to add volumes is to use the Volume Configuration Wizard. NetBackup assigns media IDs and labels the volumes automatically.

### To configure volumes by using the wizard

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Devices**.
- 2 From the list of wizards in the right pane, click **Configure Volumes** and follow the wizard instructions.

## Adding volumes by using the Actions menu

Symantec recommends that you use the Volume Configuration Wizard or the robot inventory option to add volumes.

Be careful when you specify properties. You cannot change some properties later, such as the media ID or type. If you specify them incorrectly, you must delete the volume and add it again.

### To add volumes by using the Actions menu

- 1 For new volumes in a robotic library, insert them into the proper slots.
- 2 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.

3 On the **Actions** menu, select **New > Volumes**.

**Add New Volumes**

Media Manager host:

Media type:

☐ Volume is in a robotic library

Select robot

Device host:

Robot:

Number of volumes:  Media ID naming style:

Media ID:  Partner ID:

First slot number:  Maximum mounts:

Volume group:  Volume pool:

Media description:  Label optical media:

4 In the **Add Volumes** dialog box, specify the attributes for the volumes.  
See [“Add volume properties”](#) on page 384.

5 Click **Apply** or **OK**.

If the robot has a bar code reader, NetBackup performs the following actions:

- Adds the volume to the EMM database using the specified media ID.
- Reads the bar code of each new volume.
- Adds the bar codes as attributes in the EMM database.

The **Apply** option adds the volume without closing the dialog box or refreshing the display. You can then add more volumes.

## Add volume properties

[Table 8-4](#) describes the properties to configure when you add volumes. The topics are arranged alphabetically.

**Table 8-4** Volume properties when adding volumes

Property	Description
<b>Device host</b>	The name of the host to which the robot is attached.
<b>First media ID</b>	<p>This property appears only if the number of volumes is more than one.</p> <p>The ID of the first volume in the range of volumes. Media IDs can be from 1 to 6 characters in length. Valid only when you add a range of volumes.</p> <p>Use the same pattern that you chose in the <b>Media ID naming style</b> box. NetBackup uses the pattern to name the remaining volumes by incrementing the digits.</p> <p>NetBackup allows specific characters in names.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“NetBackup naming conventions”</a> on page 957.</p>
<b>First slot number</b>	<p>The number of the first slot in the robot in which the range of volumes resides. NetBackup assigns the remainder of the slot numbers sequentially.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> You cannot enter slot information for volumes in an API robot. The robot vendor tracks the slot locations for API robot types.</p>
<b>Maximum cleanings</b>	<p>The maximum number of times NetBackup should mount the volume or use the cleaning tape.</p> <p>When a volume reaches the mount limit, the volume can be read, but not written. Zero (0) indicates unlimited mounts. If you enter a value larger than 99999, NetBackup may display it as 0 although it uses the actual value. For example, the output of the vmrule command displays 0 for values larger than 99999.</p> <p>To determine the maximum mount limit to use, consult the vendor documentation for information on the expected life of the volume.</p>
<b>Media description</b>	<p>A description of the media, up to 25 character maximum.</p> <p>NetBackup allows specific characters in names.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“NetBackup naming conventions”</a> on page 957.</p>

**Table 8-4** Volume properties when adding volumes (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Media ID</b>	<p>This property appears only if the number of volumes is one.</p> <p>The ID for the new volume. Media IDs can be from 1 to 6 characters in length.</p> <p>Media IDs for an API robot must match the bar code on the media (for API robots, NetBackup supports bar codes from 1 to 6 characters). Therefore, obtain a list of the bar codes before you add the volumes. Obtain this information through a robotic inventory or from the robot vendor's software.</p> <p>NetBackup allows specific characters in names.</p> <p>See <a href="#">"NetBackup naming conventions"</a> on page 957.</p>
<b>Media ID naming style</b>	<p>The style to use to name the range of volumes. Media IDs can be from 1 to 6 characters in length. Using the pattern, NetBackup names the remaining volumes by incrementing the digits.</p> <p>NetBackup media IDs for an API robot must match the bar code on the media. For API robots, NetBackup supports bar codes from 1 to 6 characters. Therefore, obtain a list of the bar codes before you add the volumes. Obtain this information through a robotic inventory or from the robot vendor's software.</p> <p>NetBackup allows specific characters in names.</p> <p>See <a href="#">"NetBackup naming conventions"</a> on page 957.</p>
<b>Media type</b>	<p>The media type for the volume to add.</p> <p>Select the type from the drop-down list.</p> <p>See <a href="#">"NetBackup media types"</a> on page 376.</p>
<b>Number of volumes</b>	<p>The number of volumes to add. For a robotic library, enough slots must exist for the volumes.</p>
<b>Robot</b>	<p>The robotic library to add the volumes to.</p> <p>To add volumes for a different robot, select a robot from the drop-down list . The list shows robots on the selected host that can contain volumes of the selected media type.</p>

**Table 8-4** Volume properties when adding volumes (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Volume group</b>	<p>If you specified a robot, select from a volume group already configured for that robot. Alternatively, enter the name for a volume group; if it does not exist, NetBackup creates it and adds the volume to it.</p> <p>If you do not specify a volume group (you leave the volume group blank), the following occurs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Stand-alone volumes are not assigned to a volume group.</li><li>■ NetBackup generates a name for robotic volumes by using the robot number and type. For example, if the robot is a TL8 and has a robot number of 50, the group name is 000_00050_TL8.</li></ul> <p>See <a href="#">“About volume groups”</a> on page 413.</p>
<b>Volume is in a robotic library</b>	<p>To specify that the volume is in a robot, select <b>Volume is in a robotic library</b>. If the volume is a stand-alone volume, do not select this option.</p>
<b>Volume pool</b>	<p>The pool to which the volume or volumes should be assigned. Select a volume pool you created or one of the following standard NetBackup pools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ None.</li><li>■ NetBackup is the default pool name for NetBackup.</li><li>■ DataStore is the default pool name for DataStore.</li><li>■ CatalogBackup is the default pool name used for NetBackup hot, online catalog backups of policy type NBU-Catalog.</li></ul> <p>When the images on a volume expire, NetBackup returns it to the scratch volume pool if it was allocated from the scratch pool.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About volume pools”</a> on page 409.</p>

## Managing volumes

The following sections describe the procedures to manage volumes.

## Changing the group of a volume

If you move a volume physically to a different robot, change the group of the volume to reflect the move.

See [“About rules for moving volumes between groups”](#) on page 388.

### To change the group of a volume

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select the volumes that you want to change the volume group assignment for.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Change Volume Group**.
- 4 In the **New volume group name** field, enter the name of the new volume group or select a name from the list of volume groups.
- 5 Click **OK**.

The name change is reflected in the volume list entry for the selected volumes. If you specified a new volume group (which creates a new volume group), the group appears under **Volume Groups** in the left pane.

## About rules for moving volumes between groups

The following are the rules for moving volumes between groups:

- The target volume group must contain the same type of media as the source volume group. If the target volume group is empty: The successive volumes that you add to it must match the type of media that you first add to it.
- All volumes in a robotic library must belong to a volume group. If you do not specify a group, NetBackup generates a new volume group name by using the robot number and type.
- More than one volume group can share the same location. For example, a robotic library can contain volumes from more than one volume group and you can have more than one stand-alone volume group.
- All members of a group must be in the same robotic library or be stand-alone. That is, if volume group already exists in another robotic library, you cannot add it (or part of it) to a robotic library.

## Changing the owner of a volume

You can change the media server or server group that owns the volume.

See [“About server groups”](#) on page 309.



See [“About media sharing”](#) on page 416.

To change the owner of a volume

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the **Volumes** list, select the volume that you want to change.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Change Media Owner**.
- 4 In the **Media Owner** field, select one of the following:

Any (default)	Allows NetBackup to choose the media owner. NetBackup chooses a media server or a server group (if one is configured).
None	Specifies that the media server that writes the image to the media owns the media. No media server is specified explicitly, but you want a media server to own the media.
A server group	Specify a server group. A server group allows only those servers in the group to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written. All server groups that are configured in the NetBackup environment appear in the drop-down list.

- 5 Click **OK**.

## Changing the pool of a volume

Change the **Volume pool** property in the **Change Volumes** dialog box.

See [“Changing volume properties”](#) on page 389.

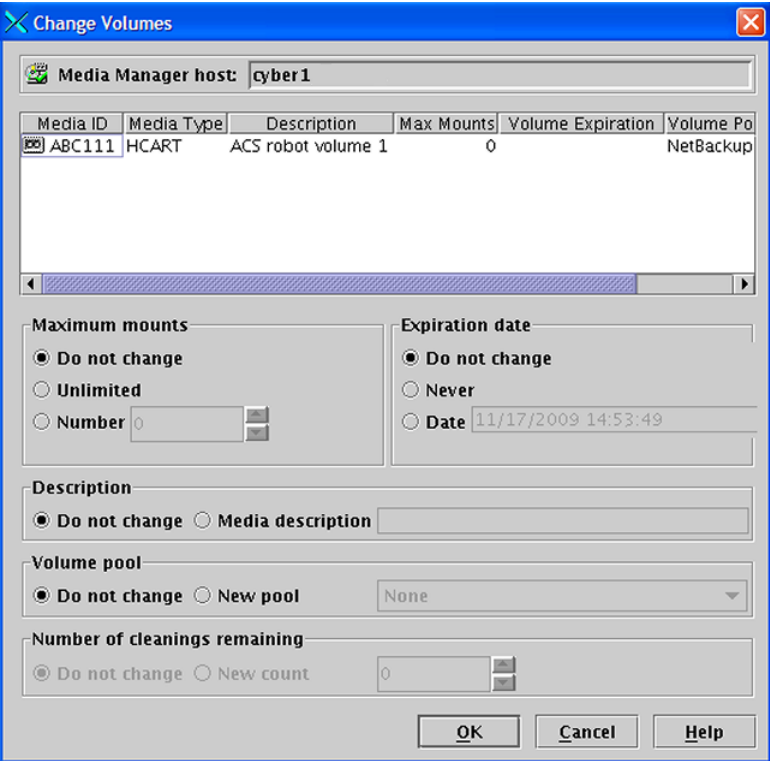
## Changing volume properties

You can change some of the properties of a volume, including the volume pool.

To change volume properties

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select a volume or volumes.

3 On the **Edit** menu, select **Change**.



- 4 In the **Change Volumes** dialog box, change the properties for the volume.  
See [“Change volume properties”](#) on page 390.
- 5 Click **OK**.

Change volume properties

[Table 8-5](#) describes the volume properties that you can change.

**Table 8-5** Volume properties when changing volumes

Property	Description
Description	A description of the media, up to 25 character maximum.  NetBackup allows specific characters in names as described in the following topic:  See <a href="#">“NetBackup naming conventions”</a> on page 957.

**Table 8-5** Volume properties when changing volumes (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Expiration date</b>	<p>The following does not apply to cleaning tapes.</p> <p>The date after which the volume is too old to be reliable.</p> <p>When the expiration date has passed, NetBackup reads data on the volume but does not mount and write to the volume. You should exchange it for a new volume.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About exchanging a volume”</a> on page 395.</p> <p>When you add a new volume, NetBackup does not set an expiration date.</p> <p>The expiration date is not the same as the retention period for the backup data on the volume. You specify data retention periods in the backup policies.</p>
<b>Maximum mounts</b>	<p>The following topic does not apply to cleaning tapes.</p> <p>The <b>Maximum mounts</b> property specifies the number of times that the selected volumes can be mounted.</p> <p>When the limit is reached, NetBackup reads data on the volume but does not mount and write to the volume.</p> <p>A value of zero (the default) is the same as <b>Unlimited</b>.</p> <p>To help determine the maximum mount limit, consult the vendor documentation for information on the expected life of the volume.</p>
<b>Number of cleanings remaining</b>	<p>The number of cleanings that are allowed for a cleaning tape. This number is decremented with each cleaning and when it is zero, NetBackup stops using the tape. You then must change the cleaning tape or increase the number of cleanings that remain.</p> <p>Additional information about drive cleaning is available.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Administrator’s Guide, Volume II</i>.</p>
<b>Volume pool</b>	<p>The following topic does not apply to cleaning tapes.</p> <p>The pool to which the volume or volumes should be assigned.</p> <p>Select a volume pool you created or one of the following standard NetBackup pools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ None.</li> <li>■ NetBackup is the default pool name for NetBackup.</li> <li>■ DataStore is the default pool name for DataStore.</li> <li>■ CatalogBackup is the default pool name used for NetBackup hot, online catalog backups of policy type NBU-Catalog.</li> </ul> <p>When the images on a volume expire, NetBackup returns it to the scratch volume pool if it was allocated from the scratch pool.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About volume pools”</a> on page 409.</p>

## About assigning volumes

An assigned volume is one that is reserved for exclusive use by NetBackup. A volume is set to the assigned state when either application writes data on it for the first time. The time of the assignment appears in the **Time Assigned** column for the volume in the **NetBackup Administration Console Volumes** pane. When a volume is assigned, you cannot delete it or change its volume pool.

A volume remains assigned until NetBackup deassigns it.

To determine which application currently uses a volume, see the **Application** column of the right pane, labeled **Volumes**.

See [“About deassigning volumes”](#) on page 392.

## About deassigning volumes

NetBackup deassigns a volume only when the data is no longer required, as follows:

- For regular backup volumes, when the retention period has expired for all the backups on the volume.
- For catalog backup volumes, when you stop using the volume for catalog backups.

To deassign a volume, you expire the images on the volume. After you expire a volume, NetBackup deassigns it and does not track the backups that are on it. NetBackup can reuse the volume, you can delete it, or you can change its volume pool.

See [“Expiring backup images”](#) on page 859.

You can expire backup images regardless of the volume state (Frozen, Suspended, and so on).

NetBackup does not erase images on expired volumes. You can still use the data on the volume by importing the images into NetBackup (if the volume has not been overwritten).

See [“About importing backup images”](#) on page 860.

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**Note:** Symantec recommends that you do not deassign NetBackup volumes. If you do, be certain that the volumes do not contain any important data. If you are uncertain, copy the images to another volume before you deassign the volume.

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See [“About assigning volumes”](#) on page 392.

## Deleting a volume

You can delete volumes from the NetBackup configuration.

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**Note:** You cannot delete a volume if it is still assigned.

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For example, if any of the following situations apply, you may want to delete the volume:

- A volume is no longer used and you want to recycle it by relabeling it with a different media ID.
- A volume is unusable because of repeated media errors.
- A volume is past its expiration date or has too many mounts, and you want to replace it with a new volume.
- A volume is lost and you want to remove it from the EMM database.

After a volume is deleted, you can discard it or add it back under the same or a different media ID.

Before you delete and reuse or discard a volume, ensure that it does not have any important data. You cannot delete NetBackup volumes if they are assigned.

See [“About deassigning volumes”](#) on page 392.

### To delete volumes

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select the volume or volumes that you want to delete.  
You cannot delete a volume if it is still assigned.
- 3 On the **Edit** menu, select **Delete**.
- 4 In the **Delete Volumes** dialog box, click **OK**.
- 5 Remove the deleted volume or volumes from the storage device.

## Erasing a volume

You can erase the data on a volume if the following are true:

- The volume is not assigned.
- The volume contains no valid NetBackup images.

After NetBackup erases the media, NetBackup writes a label on the media.

If you erase media, NetBackup cannot restore or import the data on the media.

If a volume contains valid NetBackup images, deassign the volume so NetBackup can label it.

See [“About deassigning volumes”](#) on page 392.

Table 8-6           Types of erase

Type of erase	Description
SCSI long erase	<p>Rewinds the media and the data is overwritten with a known data pattern. A SCSI long erase is also called a secure erase because it erases the recorded data completely.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> A long erase is a time-consuming operation and can take as long as two hours to three hours. For example, it takes about 45 minutes to erase a 4-mm tape on a standalone drive</p>
SCSI quick erase	<p>Rewinds the media and an erase gap is recorded on the media. The format of this gap is drive dependent. It can be an end-of-data (EOD) mark or a recorded pattern that the drive does not recognize as data.</p> <p>Some drives do not support a quick erase (such as QUANTUM DLT7000). For the drives that do not support a quick erase, the new tape header that is written acts as an application-specific quick erase.</p>

**Note:** NetBackup does not support erase functions on NDMP drives.

To erase a volume

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select a volume or volumes that you want to erase.  
  
If you select multiple volumes, they must all be in the same robot
- 3 Select either **Actions > Quick Erase** or **Actions > Long Erase**.
- 4 In the erase dialog box, specify the name of the media server to initiate the erase operation.  
  
To overwrite any existing labels on the media, do not select **Verify media label before performing operation**.

**5 Click OK.**

A dialog box warns you that this action is irreversible.

**6 Click OK if you are certain you want to start the erase action.**

A dialog box reminds you to use the **Activity Monitor** to view the progress and status of the action. (For many types of drives, you may not be able to cancel a label or erase media job from the **Activity Monitor**.) Click **OK**.

If you selected **Verify media label before performing operation** and the actual volume label does not match the expected label, the media is not erased.

## About exchanging a volume

You should exchange a volume (replace one volume with another volume) if a volume meets any of the following conditions:

- Full (in this case, to exchange a volume means to remove the volume from a robotic tape library).
- Past the maximum number of mounts.
- Old (past the expiration date).
- Unusable (for example, because of repeated media errors).

Depending on whether you want to reuse the old media ID or not, follow one of the exchange volumes processes in the following subsections.

### Exchanging a volume and using a new media ID

Use this procedure when the following are true:

- The volume contains current and valid NetBackup images.
- You require slots in the robotic library for additional backups, duplications, vault functions, or other purposes.

**Table 8-7** Exchange a volume and using a new media ID

Step	Task	Instructions
Step 1	Move the volume to another location  If the volume is in a robotic library, remove it from the robotic library and move it to a stand-alone group.	See <a href="#">“About moving volumes”</a> on page 404.

**Table 8-7** Exchange a volume and using a new media ID *(continued)*

Step	Task	Instructions
Step 2	Add a new volume or move an existing volume in as a replacement for the volume you removed.  If you add a new volume, specify a new media ID. Specify the same values for the other attributes as the removed volume (such as robotic residence, volume pool, and the media type).	See <a href="#">“About adding volumes”</a> on page 381.
Step 3	Physically replace the old volume.  Do not delete the old volume in case you need to retrieve the data on the volume.	Beyond the scope of the NetBackup documentation.

**Exchanging a volume and using the old media ID**

You can exchange a volume and reuse the same media ID, which may be convenient in some instances.

Reuse a media ID only if all data on the old volume is not required and you recycle or discard the volume.

**Warning:** If you exchange a media ID for a volume that has unexpired backup images, serious operational problems and data loss may occur.

**Table 8-8** Exchange a volume and use the old media ID

Step	Task	Instructions
Step 1	Delete the volume.	See <a href="#">“Deleting a volume”</a> on page 393.
Step 2	Remove the old volume from the storage device. Physically add the new volume to the storage device.	See <a href="#">“About injecting and ejecting volumes”</a> on page 398.
Step 3	Add the new volume to the NetBackup volume configuration and specify the same attributes as the old volume, including the old media ID.	See <a href="#">“About adding volumes”</a> on page 381.
Step 4	Set a new expiration date for the volume.	See <a href="#">“Changing volume properties”</a> on page 389.
Step 5	Optionally, label the volume. Although you do not have to label the volume, the label process puts the media in a known state. The external media label matches the recorded media label, and the mode is known to be compatible with the drives in the robotic library.	See <a href="#">“Labeling a volume”</a> on page 403.



## About frozen media

A frozen volume is unavailable for future backups. A frozen volume never expires, even after the retention period ends for all backups on the media. The media ID is never deleted from the NetBackup media catalog, and it remains assigned to NetBackup. A frozen volume is available for restores. If the backups have expired, you must import the backups first.

See [“About importing backup images”](#) on page 860.

NetBackup freezes media automatically when read or write errors surpass the threshold within the time window. The default media error threshold is 2. That is, NetBackup freezes media on the third media error in the default time window (12 hours).

NetBackup also freezes a volume if a write failure makes future attempts at positioning the tape unreliable.

Common reasons for write failures are dirty write heads or old media. The reason for the action is logged in the NetBackup error catalog (view the Media Logs report or the All Log Entries report).

You can use the NetBackup `nbemmcmd` command with the `-media_error_threshold` and `-time_window` options to change the default values.

Additional information about `nbemmcmd` is available.

See *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

To reverse a freeze action, use the `bpmedia` command to unfreeze the volume.

See [“Freezing or unfreezing a volume”](#) on page 397.

## Freezing or unfreezing a volume

NetBackup freezes volumes under circumstances.

You can freeze or unfreeze a volume manually.

### To freeze or unfreeze media

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select the volume that you want to freeze or unfreeze.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Freeze** or **Unfreeze**.
- 4 In the dialog box, click **OK**.

## About injecting and ejecting volumes

Media access port (MAP) functionality differs between robotic libraries. For many libraries, NetBackup opens and closes the MAP as needed. However, some libraries have the front-panel inject and the eject functions that conflict with NetBackup's use of the media access port. And for other libraries, NetBackup requires front-panel interaction by an operator when using the media access port.

Read the operator manual for the library to understand the media access port functionality. Some libraries may not be fully compatible with the inject and eject features of NetBackup unless properly handled. Other libraries may not be compatible at all.

## Injecting volumes into robots

You can inject volumes into the robots that contain media access ports.

Any volumes to be injected must be in the media access port before the operation begins. If no volumes are in the port, you are not prompted to place volumes in the media access port and the update operation continues.

Each volume in the MAP is moved into the robotic library. If the MAP contains multiple volumes, they are moved to empty slots in the robotic library until the media access port is empty or all the slots are full.

After the volume or volumes are moved, NetBackup updates the volume configuration.

Some robots report only that media access ports are possible. Therefore, **Empty media access port prior to update** may be available for some robots that do not contain media access ports.

### Inject volumes into the robots that contain media access ports

- 1 Load the volumes in the MAP.
- 2 Inventory the robot  
See [“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”](#) on page 431.
- 3 Select **Empty media access port prior to update** on the **Robot Inventory** dialog box.

## Ejecting volumes

Eject single or multiple volumes.

You cannot eject multiple volumes if they reside in multiple robots.

Operator intervention is only required if the robotic library does not contain a media access port large enough to eject all of the selected volumes. For these robot types, NetBackup prompts an operator to remove the media from the media access port so the eject operation can continue.

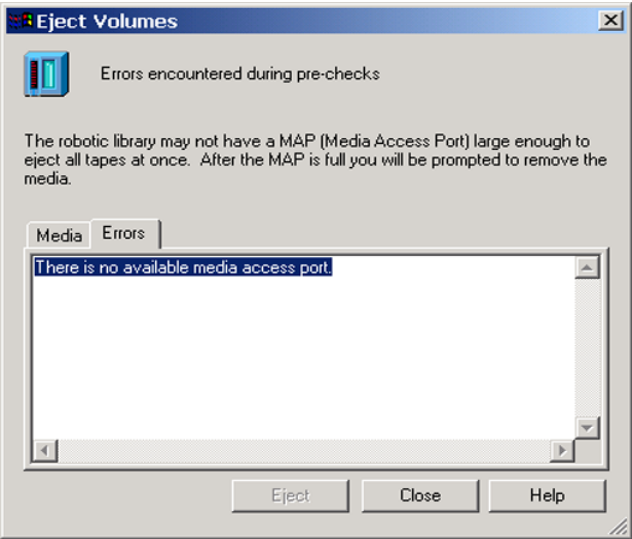
See [“Media ejection timeout periods”](#) on page 400.

### To eject volumes

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select one or more volumes that you want to eject.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Eject Volumes From Robot**.
- 4 The **Eject Volumes** dialog box appears. It contains **Media** and **Errors** tabs. The following describes the tabs and their contents:
  - After NetBackup completes prechecks for the eject, the **Media** tab of the **Eject Volumes** dialog box shows the volumes that you selected to eject.
  - If no errors occur, the **Errors** tab is empty.
  - If an error occurs or a hardware limitation exists, the eject may not be possible; if so, the **Errors** tab is opened.

The following classes of errors can occur:

- For serious errors, the **Eject** option is not active. Correct the error to eject the media.
- For other errors, the **Errors** tab shows an explanation of the error. Either continue the eject action (**Eject**) or exit (**Close**) depending on the type of error.



- 5 ACS and TLM robots only: In the **Eject Volumes** dialog box, select the media access port to use for the eject.
- 6 In the **Eject Volumes** dialog box, click **Eject** to eject the volumes.  
The robotic library may not contain a media access port large enough to eject all of the selected volumes. For most robot types, you are prompted to remove the media from the media access port so the eject can continue with the remaining volumes.

Media ejection timeout periods

The media ejection period (the amount of time before an error condition occurs) varies depending on the capability of each robot.

Table 8-9 shows the ejection timeout periods for robots.

Table 8-9 Media ejection timeout periods

Robot types	Timeout period
Applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server: Automated Cartridge System (ACS) Tape Library Multimedia (TLM)	One week
Tape Library 8MM (TL8) Tape Library DLT (TLD)	30 minutes.

Table 8-9            Media ejection timeout periods (continued)

Robot types	Timeout period
Applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server: Tape Library Half-inch (TLH)	None. The robot allows an unlimited amount of time to remove media.

**Note:** If the media is not removed and a timeout condition occurs, the media is returned to (injected into) the robot. Inventory the robot and eject the media that was returned to the robot.

Some robots do not contain media access ports. For these robots, the operator must remove the volumes from the robot manually.

**Note:** After you add or remove media manually, use NetBackup to inventory the robot.

## About rescanning and updating bar codes

You can rescan the media in a robot and then update NetBackup with the bar codes of that media.

You should rescan and update only in certain circumstances.

**Note:** Rescan and update bar codes does not apply to volumes in API robot types.

When not to rescan and update bar codes

Do not rescan and update to correct the reports that show a media ID in the wrong slot.

To correct that problem, perform one of the following actions:

- Logically move the volume by selecting a volume and then on the **Actions** menu select **Move**.
- Logically move the volume by updating the volume configuration.  
See [“Updating the volume configuration with a robot’s contents”](#) on page 431.
- Physically move the volume into the correct slot.

To obtain an inventory of the robot without updating the bar code information in the database, inventory the robot and use the show contents option.

See [“Showing the media in a robot”](#) on page 426.

When to rescan and update bar codes

Rescan and update bar codes only to add the bar codes that are not in the EMM database.

For example: if you add a new volume but do not insert the tape into the robot, NetBackup does not add the bar code to the database. Use this command to add the bar code after you insert the tape into the robotic library.

See [“About bar codes”](#) on page 441.

## Rescanning and updating bar codes

Use the following procedure to rescan the media in a robot and update NetBackup with the bar codes.

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**Note:** Rescan and update bar codes does not apply to volumes in API robot types.

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See [“About rescanning and updating bar codes”](#) on page 401.

### To rescan bar codes and update the EMM database

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media > Robots**.
- 2 Select the robotic library that contains the volumes that you want to scan and update.
- 3 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select the volumes.

4 On the **Actions** menu, select **Rescan/Update Barcodes**.

5 Click **Start**.

The results of the update appear in the output section of the dialog box.

## About labeling NetBackup volumes

When NetBackup labels a volume, it writes a record on the magnetic tape of the volume; the record (or label) includes the NetBackup media ID.

Normally, NetBackup controls the labeling of its volumes. In most cases, NetBackup labels a volume the first time it is used for a backup.

The volume label depends on whether or not the media has a bar code, as follows:

- If the robot supports bar codes and the media has bar codes, NetBackup uses the last six characters of the bar code for the media ID.

To change this default action, specify and select specific characters by using Media ID generation rules.

See [“Configuring media ID generation rules”](#) on page 448.

- For volumes without bar codes, by default NetBackup uses a prefix of the letter A when it assigns a media ID to a volume (for example, A00001).

To change the default prefix, use the `MEDIA_ID_PREFIX` configuration option in the `vm.conf` file.

See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

Media is not labeled automatically in the following situations:

- They were last used for NetBackup catalog backups.  
Do not label catalog backup volumes unless they are no longer used for catalog backups.
- They contain data from a recognized non-NetBackup application and NetBackup is configured to prohibit media overwrite for that media type.

To label these media types, the following must be true:

- NetBackup has not assigned the media
- The media contains no valid NetBackup images

## Labeling a volume

If a volume contains valid NetBackup images, deassign the volume so that it can be labeled.

See [“About deassigning volumes”](#) on page 392.

If you want to label media and assign specific media IDs (rather than allow NetBackup to assign IDs), use the `bplabel` command.

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**Note:** If you label a volume, NetBackup cannot restore or import the data that was on the media after you label it.

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**Note:** For many types of drives, you may not be able to cancel a label job from the Activity Monitor.

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See [“About labeling NetBackup volumes”](#) on page 403.

To label a volume

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select a volume or the volumes that you want to label.  
  
If you select multiple volumes, they all must be in the same robot.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Label**.
- 4 In the **Label** dialog box, specify the following properties for the label operation.

<b>Media server</b>	Enter tname of the media server that controls the drive to write the label.
<b>Verify label before performing operation</b>	Select this option to verify that the media in the drive is the expected media.  To overwrite any existing labels on the media, do not select <b>Verify media label before performing operation</b> .

- 5 Click **OK**.
- 6 In the warning dialog box, click **OK**.  
  
If you selected **Verify media label before performing operation** and the actual volume label does not match the expected label, the media is not relabeled.

## About moving volumes

When you move volumes in or out of a robotic library or from one robot to another, move the volumes physically and logically, as follows:



- Physically move volumes by inserting or by removing them. For some robot types, use the NetBackup inject and eject options.
- Logically move volumes using NetBackup, which updates the EMM database to show the volume at the new location.

When you move volumes from one robotic library to another robotic library, perform the following actions:

- Move the volumes to stand alone as an intermediate step.
- Move the volumes to the new robotic library.

The following types of logical moves are available:

- Move single volumes.
- Move multiple volumes.
- Move combinations of single and multiple volumes.
- Move volume groups.

You cannot move volumes to an invalid location (for example, move DLT media to an 8-mm robot).

Symantec recommends that you perform moves by selecting and by moving only one type of media at a time to a single destination.

The following are several examples of when to move volumes logically:

- When a volume is full in a robotic library and no slots are available for new volumes in the robotic library. Move the full volume to stand alone, remove it from the robot, then configure a new volume for the empty slot or move an existing volume into that slot. Use the same process to replace a defective volume.
- Moving volumes from a robotic library to an off-site location or from an off-site location into a robotic library. When you move tapes to an off-site location, move them to stand alone.
- Moving volumes from one robotic library to another (for example, if a library is down).
- Changing the volume group for a volume or volumes.

## Moving volumes by using the robot inventory update option

Use this procedure for the following:

- To move volumes within a robot.  
The robot must have a bar code reader and the volumes must contain readable bar codes.

- To remove volumes from a robot.  
Use this procedure even if the volumes do not contain bar codes or if the robot does not have a reader.

To move volumes by using a robot inventory update

- 1 Physically move the volumes to their new location.
- 2 On the **Actions** menu, select **Inventory Robot**.
- 3 In the **Robot Inventory** dialog box, select **Update volume configuration**.
- 4 Select other options as appropriate.  
See “[About robot inventory](#)” on page 420.

## Moving volumes by using the Actions menu

If you move a volume to a robotic library that has a bar code reader, NetBackup updates the EMM database with the correct bar code.

To move volumes by using the Actions menu

- 1 Physically move the volumes to their new location.
- 2 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 3 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select the volumes that you want to move.
- 4 On the **Actions** menu, select **Move**.
- 5 In the **Move Volumes** dialog box, specify the properties for the move.

If you move a single volume, the dialog box entries show the current location of the volume.

### Move volumes properties

[Table 8-10](#) describes the properties to configure in the **Move Volumes** dialog box.

**Table 8-10** Move volumes properties

Property	Description
<b>First slot number</b>	For volumes in a robotic library, specify the first slot number to be used in the destination robotic library. By default, this box shows the slot number where the volume currently resides. NetBackup assigns the remainder of the slot numbers sequentially. <b>Note:</b> You cannot enter slot information for volumes in an API robot. The robot vendor tracks the slot locations for these robot types.

Table 8-10 Move volumes properties (*continued*)

Property	Description
<b>Device host</b>	<p>The <b>Device host</b> specifies the name of the device host where the robot is defined.</p> <p>For single volumes, the current location of the volume appears.</p> <p>NetBackup Enterprise Serve only: To select a robot on another device host, select from the list of device hosts shown.</p>
<b>Find Robots</b>	<p>Use <b>Find Robots</b> to find a robot that does not appear in the <b>Robot</b> box (for example, a new robot).</p>
<b>Robot</b>	<p><b>Robot</b> specifies the new robotic library for the volumes. You can specify a different robot as the destination or <b>Standalone</b>.</p> <p>The list shows the robot type, number, and control host for any robot that already has at least one volume in the EMM database.</p>
<b>Volume group</b>	<p>Enter or select the volume group to assign to the volumes.</p> <p>If you leave the volume group blank, the following occurs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Stand-alone volumes are not assigned a volume group.</li><li>■ Robotic volumes are assigned to a new volume group; NetBackup generates the name by using the robot number and type. For example, if the robot is a TL8 and has a robot number of 50, the group name is 000_00050_TL8.</li></ul> <p>See <a href="#">“About rules for moving volumes between groups”</a> on page 388.</p>
<b>Volume is in a robotic library</b>	<p>To inject a volume into a robotic library, select <b>Volume is in a robotic library</b>.</p> <p>Select a robot and the slot number for the volume.</p> <p>To eject a volume from a robot, clear <b>Volume is in a robotic library</b>.</p>
<b>Volumes to move</b>	<p>The <b>Volumes to move</b> section of the dialog box shows the media IDs of the volumes that you selected to move.</p>

## About recycling a volume

If you recycle a volume, you can use either the existing media ID or a new media ID.

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**Caution:** Recycle a volume only if all NetBackup data on the volume is no longer needed or if the volume is damaged and unusable. Otherwise, you may encounter serious operational problems and a possible loss of data.

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## Recycling a volume and using the existing media ID

NetBackup recycles a volume and returns it to the volume rotation when the last valid image on the volume expires.

To recycle a volume that contains unexpired backup images, you must deassign the volume.

See [“About deassigning volumes”](#) on page 392.

## Recycling a volume and using a new media ID

Recycle a volume if it is a duplicate of another volume with the same media ID. Also recycle a volume if you change how you name volumes and you want to match the bar codes on the volume.

**Table 8-11** Recycling a volume and using a new media ID

Step	Action	Description
Step 1	Physically remove the volume from the storage device.	See <a href="#">“Ejecting volumes”</a> on page 398.
Step 2	If the volume is in a robotic library, move it to stand alone.	See <a href="#">“About moving volumes”</a> on page 404.
Step 3	Record the current number of mounts and expiration date for the volume.	See the values in the Media ( <b>Media and Device Management &gt; Media</b> in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> ).
Step 4	Delete the volume entry.	See <a href="#">“Deleting a volume”</a> on page 393.
Step 5	Add a new volume entry.	<p>See <a href="#">“Adding volumes by using the Actions menu”</a> on page 383.</p> <p>Because NetBackup sets the mount value to zero for new volume entries, you must adjust the value to account for previous mounts.</p> <p>Set the maximum mounts to a value that is equal to or less than the following value:</p> <p>The number of mounts that the manufacturer recommends minus the value that you recorded earlier.</p>
Step 6	Physically add the volume to the storage device.	See <a href="#">“Injecting volumes into robots”</a> on page 398.

**Table 8-11** Recycling a volume and using a new media ID (*continued*)

Step	Action	Description
Step 7	Configure the number of mounts	Set the number of mounts to the value you recorded earlier by using the following command:  <code>/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/vmchange -m media_id -n number_of_mounts</code>
Step 8	Set the expiration date to the value you recorded earlier.	See <a href="#">“Changing volume properties”</a> on page 389.

## Suspending or unsuspending volumes

You cannot use a suspended volume for backups until retention periods for all backups on it have expired. At that time, NetBackup deletes the suspended volume from the NetBackup media catalog and unassigns it from NetBackup.

A suspended volume is available for restores. If the backups have expired, import the backups first.

### To suspend or unsuspend media

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, select **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, in the **Volumes** list, select the volume or volumes that you want to suspend or unsuspend.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Suspend** or **Unsuspend**.
- 4 In the dialog box, click **OK**.

## About volume pools

A volume pool identifies a set of volumes by usage. Volume pools protect volumes from access by unauthorized users, groups, or applications. When you add media to NetBackup, you assign them to a volume pool (or assign them as standalone volumes, without a pool assignment).

By default, NetBackup creates the following volume pools:

<b>NetBackup</b>	The default pool to which all backup images are written (unless you specify otherwise).
<b>DataStore</b>	For <b>DataStore</b> use.
<b>CatalogBackup</b>	For NetBackup catalog backups.

### None

For the volumes that are not assigned to a pool.

You can add other volume pools. For example, you can add a volume pool for each storage application you use. Then, as you add volumes to use with an application, you assign them to that application's volume pool. You can also move volumes between pools.

You also can configure a scratch pool from which NetBackup can transfer volumes when a volume pool has no volumes available.

The volume pool concept is relevant only for NetBackup storage units and does not apply to disk storage units.

Examples of volume pool usage are available.

See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

## About scratch volume pools

The scratch pool is an optional pool that contains the media that NetBackup can allocate to other pools as needed. If you configure a scratch pool, NetBackup moves volumes from that scratch pool to other pools that do not have volumes available.

Only one scratch pool is allowed. You cannot add a scratch pool if one exists.

You cannot change the **NetBackup** or **DataStore** pools to be scratch volume pools.

If you create a scratch pool, be aware of the following conditions:

- If the scratch pool contains assigned volumes, these volumes remain in the scratch pool.  
NetBackup does not move assigned volumes to other pools as it does with unassigned volumes.
- NetBackup does not assign volumes while they are in a scratch pool.  
For example if a NetBackup policy or schedule specifies the scratch pool, all requests for those volumes are denied.
- NetBackup returns expired media to the scratch volume pool automatically (media that is returned must have been originally in the same scratch pool).
- To use NetBackup to manage the allocation of volumes to volume pools, do the following:
  - Create volume pools as required, but do not add any volumes to the pools.
  - Define a scratch pool and add all of the volumes to it. NetBackup moves volumes to the other pools as volumes are needed.

# Adding a volume pool

Use this procedure to add a new volume pool. After you add a new pool, add volumes to it by adding new volumes to NetBackup or by changing the pool of existing volumes.

## To add a volume pool

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 On the **Actions** menu, select **New > Volume Pool**.
- 3 In the **Add a New Volume Pool** dialog box, specify the attributes for the volume pool.

See “[Volume pool properties](#)” on page 411.

## Volume pool properties

You can specify various properties for a volume pool.

The following are the properties you can configure for volume pools, either when you add a new pool or change an existing one.

**Table 8-12** Volume pool properties

Property	Description
<b>Catalog backup pool</b>	Select this option to use this volume pool for hot, online backups of the NetBackup catalog. This check box creates a dedicated catalog backup pool to be used for <b>NBU-Catalogg</b> policies. A dedicated catalog volume pool facilitates quicker catalog restore times.  Multiple catalog backup volume pools are allowed.
<b>Description</b>	Provides a brief description of the volume pool.

Table 8-12      Volume pool properties (continued)

Property	Description
Maximum number of partially full media	<p>Does not apply to the None pool, catalog backup pools, or scratch volume pools.</p> <p>Specifies the number of partially full media to allow in the volume pool for each of the unique combinations of the following in that pool:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Robot</li><li>■ Drive type</li><li>■ Retention level</li></ul> <p>The default value is zero, which does not limit the number of full media that are allowed in the pool.</p>
Pool name	<p>The <b>Pool name</b> is the name for the new volume pool. Volume pool names are case-sensitive and can be up to 20 characters.</p>
Scratch pool	<p>Specifies that the pool should be a scratch pool.</p> <p>Symantec recommends that you use a descriptive name for the pool and use the term <code>scratch pool</code> in the description.</p> <p>Add sufficient type and quantity of media to the scratch pool to service all scratch media requests that can occur. NetBackup requests scratch media when media in the existing volume pools are allocated for use.</p>

# Managing volume pools

The following sections describe the operations you can perform to manage volume pools.

## Changing the properties of a volume pool

Use this procedure to change the properties of a volume pool. The properties you can change include the pool type (scratch pool or catalog backup pool).

**To change a volume pool**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, select **Media and Device Management > Media > Volume Pools**.
- 2 Select a pool in the **Volume Pools** list.



- 3 Select **Edit > Change**.
- 4 In the **Change Volume Pool** dialog box, change the attributes for the volume pool.  
See [“Volume pool properties”](#) on page 411.

## Deleting a volume pool

You cannot delete any of the following pools:

- A volume pool that contains volumes
- The **NetBackup** volume pool
- The **None** volume pool
- The default **CatalogBackup** volume pool
- The **DataStore** volume pool

**To delete a volume pool**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media > Volume Pools**.
- 2 Select a volume pool from the pools in the **Volume Pools** list.
- 3 Ensure that the volume pool is empty. If the pool is not empty, change the pool name for any volumes in the pool. If the volumes are not needed, delete them.
- 4 On the **Edit >** menu, select **Delete**.
- 5 Click **Yes** or **No** in the confirmation dialog box.

## About volume groups

A volume group identifies a set of volumes that reside at the same physical location. The location can be either the robot in which the volumes reside, standalone storage, or off-site storage if you use the NetBackup Vault option.

When you add media to NetBackup, NetBackup assigns all volumes in a robot to that robot's volume group. Alternatively, you can assign the media to a different group.

Volume groups are convenient for tracking the location of volumes, such as the case when a volume is moved off site. Volume groups let you perform operations on a set of volumes by specifying the group name rather than each individual media ID of each volume. Operations include moves between a robotic library and a standalone location or deletions from NetBackup.

If you move a volume physically, you also must move it logically. A logical move means to change the volume attributes to show the new location.

The following are the rules for assigning volume groups:

- All volumes in a group must be the same media type.  
However, a media type and its corresponding cleaning media type are allowed in the same volume group (such as DLT and DLT\_CLN).
- All volumes in a robotic library must belong to a volume group.  
You cannot add volumes to a robotic library without specifying a group or having Media Manager generate a name for the group.
- The only way to clear a volume group name is to move the volume to standalone and not specify a volume group.
- More than one volume group can share the same location.  
For example, a robotic library can contain volumes from more than one volume group and you can have more than one standalone volume group.
- All volumes in a group must be in the same robotic library or be standalone.  
That is, you cannot add a group (or part of a group) to a robotic library if it already exists in another robotic library.

Examples of volume group usage are available.

See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

## Managing volume groups

These topics describe operations you can perform to manage volume groups.

### Moving a volume group

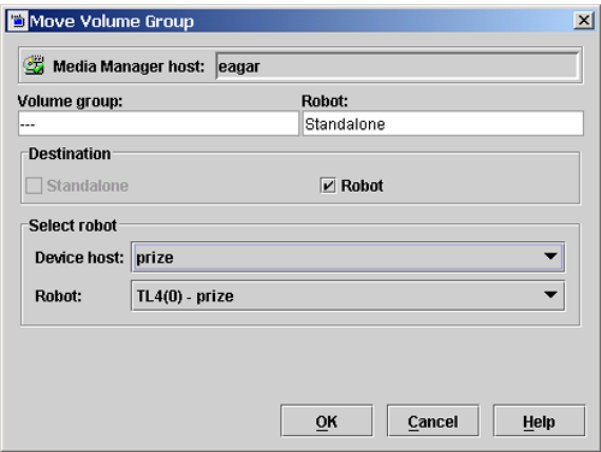
You can move a volume group from a robotic library to stand alone storage or from stand-alone storage to a robotic library

Moving a volume group changes only the residence information in the EMM database. You must move the volumes physically to their new locations.

#### To move a volume group

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the right pane, select the volume group that you want to move.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Move**.

- 4 In the **Move Volume Group** dialog box, specify the properties for the move.



You can only specify the properties that apply for the move type.

See [“Move volume group properties”](#) on page 415.

- 5 After you move the volume group logically, physically move the volumes to their new locations.

Move volume group properties

[Table 8-13](#) describes the properties you can set when you move a volume group.

Table 8-13 Move volume group properties

Property	Description
Destination	The destination for the move, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ If you move the volume group from a robotic library, <b>Standalone</b> is selected as the destination.</li><li>■ If you move the volume group from stand-alone, <b>Robot</b> is selected as the destination.</li></ul>
Device host	The host that controls the robotic library. (NetBackup Enterprise Server only.)
Robot	The destination robotic library.
Volume group	The volume group to move.  Displays "---" when you move stand-alone volumes.

## Deleting a volume group

Use the following procedure to delete a volume group.

### To delete a volume group

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media**.
- 2 In the volumes list, verify that all of the volumes in the group are unassigned. You cannot delete the group until the application unassigns the volumes. If the **Time Assigned** column contains a value, the volume is assigned.  
See [“About deassigning volumes”](#) on page 392.
- 3 Select a volume group in the right pane.
- 4 On the **Edit** menu, select **Delete**.
- 5 In the confirmation dialog box, confirm the action.
- 6 Remove the deleted volumes from the storage device.

## About media sharing

Media sharing allows media servers to share media for write purposes (backups).

Media sharing provides the following benefits:

- Increases the utilization of media by reducing the number of partially full media.
- Reduces media-related expenses because fewer tape volumes are required and fewer tape volumes are vaulted (NetBackup Vault option).
- Reduces administrative overhead because you inject fewer scratch media into the robotic library.
- Increases the media life because tapes are mounted fewer times. Media are not repositioned and unmounted between write operations from different media servers.

Reducing media mounts requires appropriate hardware connectivity between the media servers that share media and the drives that can write to that media. Appropriate hardware connectivity may include Fibre Channel hubs or switches, SCSI multiplexors, or SCSI-to-fibre bridges.

You can configure the following media sharing:

- Unrestricted media sharing.  
See [“Configuring unrestricted media sharing”](#) on page 417.
- Media media sharing with server groups.

See [“Configuring media sharing with a server group”](#) on page 417.\

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**Note:** The access control feature of Sun StorageTek ACSLS controlled robots is not compatible with media sharing. Media sharing restricts volume access by the requesting hosts IP address. Use caution when you implement media sharing in an ACSLS environment.

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## Configuring unrestricted media sharing

Unrestricted media sharing means that all NetBackup media servers and NDMP hosts in your NetBackup environment can share media for writing.

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**Note:** Do not use unrestricted media sharing and media sharing server groups. If you use both, NetBackup behavior is undefined.

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### To configure unrestricted media sharing

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers**.
- 2 In the right pane, double-click the master server.
- 3 Select **Media**
- 4 Select **Enable Unrestricted Media Sharing for All Media Servers**.  
If you allow unrestricted allow media sharing in your NetBackup environment, you do not need to create media sharing groups.
- 5 Click **OK**.

## Configuring media sharing with a server group

Media sharing with a server group restricts the sharing to members of the group.

See [“About server groups”](#) on page 309.

[Table 8-14](#) outlines the process for configuring media sharing with a server group.

**Table 8-14** Configuring media sharing with a server group process overview

Step	Action	Description
Step 1	Ensure the appropriate connectivity between and among the media servers and robots and drives.	Beyond the scope of the NetBackup documentation.
Step 2	Configure the media sharing server group.	See <a href="#">“Configuring a server group”</a> on page 310.
Step 3	Optionally, configure the volume pools for media sharing.	Set the <b>Maximum number of partially full media</b> property for those pools.  See <a href="#">“Adding a volume pool”</a> on page 411.  See <a href="#">“Changing the properties of a volume pool”</a> on page 412.
Step 4	Configure the backup policies that use the volume pools and media sharing groups.	Set the <b>Policy Volume Pool</b> and <b>Media Owner</b> properties of the backup policies.  See <a href="#">“Creating a policy using the Policy Configuration Wizard”</a> on page 606.

# Inventorying robots

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About robot inventory](#)
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- [Showing the media in a robot](#)
- [About comparing a robot's contents with the volume configuration](#)
- [Comparing media in a robot with the volume configuration](#)
- [About updating the volume configuration](#)
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- [Robot inventory options](#)
- [Configuring media settings](#)
- [About bar codes](#)
- [Configuring bar code rules](#)
- [Configuring media ID generation rules](#)
- [Configuring media type mappings](#)
- [About the vmphyinv physical inventory utility](#)
- [Example volume configuration updates](#)

# About robot inventory

Robot inventory is a logical operation that verifies the presence of media. (Robot inventory does not inventory the data on the media.)

After you physically add, remove, or move volumes in a robot, use a robot inventory to update the NetBackup volume configuration.

[Table 9-1](#) describes the **NetBackup Administration Console** robot inventory options for the robotic libraries that contain bar code readers and contain bar coded media.

**Table 9-1**              Robot inventory options

Inventory option	Description
Show contents	<p>Displays the media in the selected robotic library; does not check or change the EMM database.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About showing a robot's contents”</a> on page 423.</p> <p>For the robotic libraries without bar code readers (or that contain media without bar codes), you can only show the contents of a robot. However, more detailed information is required to perform automated media management. Use the <code>vmphyinv</code> physical inventory utility to inventory such robots.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the vmphyinv physical inventory utility”</a> on page 458.</p>
Compare contents with volume configuration	<p>Compares the contents of a robotic library with the contents of the EMM database but does not change the database.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About comparing a robot's contents with the volume configuration”</a> on page 427.</p>
Preview volume configuration changes	<p>Compares the contents of a robotic library with the contents of the EMM database. If differences exist, NetBackup recommends changes to the NetBackup volume configuration.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About previewing volume configuration changes”</a> on page 431.</p>



**Table 9-1** Robot inventory options (*continued*)

Inventory option	Description
<b>Update volume configuration</b>	<p>Updates the database to match the contents of the robot. If the robot contents are the same as the EMM database, no changes occur.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About updating the volume configuration”</a> on page 429.</p>

## When to inventory a robot

[Table 9-2](#) describes the criteria to use to determine when to inventory a robot and which options to use for the inventory.

**Table 9-2** Robot inventory criteria

Action	Inventory option to use
To determine the contents of a robot	<p>Use the <b>Show contents</b> option to determine the media in a robot and possibly their bar code numbers.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Showing the media in a robot”</a> on page 426.</p>
To determine if volumes were moved physically within a robot	<p>For robots with bar code readers and robots that contain media with bar codes, use the <b>Compare contents with volume configuration</b> option.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Comparing media in a robot with the volume configuration”</a> on page 428.</p>
To add new volumes to a robot (a new volume is one that does not have a NetBackup media ID)	<p>For any robot NetBackup supports, use the <b>Update volume configuration</b> option.</p> <p>The update creates media IDs (based on bar codes or a prefix that you specify).</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.</p>
To determine whether new media have bar codes before you add them to NetBackup	<p>Use the <b>Preview volume configuration changes</b> option, which compares the contents of the robot with the NetBackup volume configuration information.</p> <p>After you examine the results, use the <b>Update volume configuration</b> option to update the volume configuration if necessary.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.</p>

**Table 9-2** Robot inventory criteria (*continued*)

Action	Inventory option to use
To insert existing volumes into a robot (an existing volume is one that already has a NetBackup media ID)	<p>If the robot supports bar codes and the volume has a readable bar code, use the <b>Update volume configuration</b> option. NetBackup updates the residence information to show the new robotic location. NetBackup also updates the robot host, robot type, robot number, and slot location. Specify the volume group to which the volume is assigned.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.</p> <p>If the robot does not support bar codes or the volumes do not contain readable bar codes, move the volumes or use the physical inventory utility.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About moving volumes”</a> on page 404.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the vmphyinv physical inventory utility”</a> on page 458.</p>
To move existing volumes between robotic and stand-alone (an existing volume is one that already has a NetBackup media ID)	<p>If the robotic library supports bar codes and the volume has a readable bar code, use the <b>Update volume configuration</b> option. NetBackup updates the residence information to show the new robotic or stand-alone location.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.</p>
To move existing volumes within a robot (an existing volume is one that already has a NetBackup media ID)	<p>If the robot supports bar codes and the volume has a readable bar code, use the <b>Update volume configuration</b> option. NetBackup updates the residence information to show the new slot location.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.</p> <p>If the robot does not support bar codes or if the volumes do not contain readable bar codes, move the volumes or use the physical inventory utility.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About moving volumes”</a> on page 404.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the vmphyinv physical inventory utility”</a> on page 458.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Volume Configuration Example 7: Adding existing volumes when bar codes are not used”</a> on page 475.</p>

**Table 9-2** Robot inventory criteria (*continued*)

Action	Inventory option to use
To move existing volumes from one robot to another (an existing volume is one that already has a NetBackup media ID)	<p>If the robotic library supports bar codes and the volume has a readable bar code, use the <b>Update volume configuration</b> option. NetBackup updates the NetBackup volume configuration information.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.</p> <p>If the robots do not support bar codes or the volumes do not contain readable bar codes, move the volumes or use the physical inventory utility.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About moving volumes”</a> on page 404.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the vmphyinv physical inventory utility”</a> on page 458.</p> <p>For either operation, perform the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ First move the volumes to stand alone</li><li>■ Then move the volumes to the new robot</li></ul> <p>If you do not perform both updates, NetBackup cannot update the entries and writes an "Update failed" error.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Volume Configuration Example 6: Moving existing volumes between robots”</a> on page 474.</p>
To remove existing volumes from a robot (an existing volume is one that already has a NetBackup media ID)	<p>For any robot NetBackup supports, use the <b>Update volume configuration</b> option to update the NetBackup volume configuration information.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”</a> on page 431.</p>

## About showing a robot's contents

**Show contents** inventories the selected robotic library and generates a report. This operation does not check or change the EMM database. Use this option to determine the contents of a robot.

The contents that appear depend on the robot type.

[Table 9-3](#) describes the report contents.

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**Note:** If a volume is mounted in a drive, the inventory report lists the slot that it was in before it was moved to the drive.

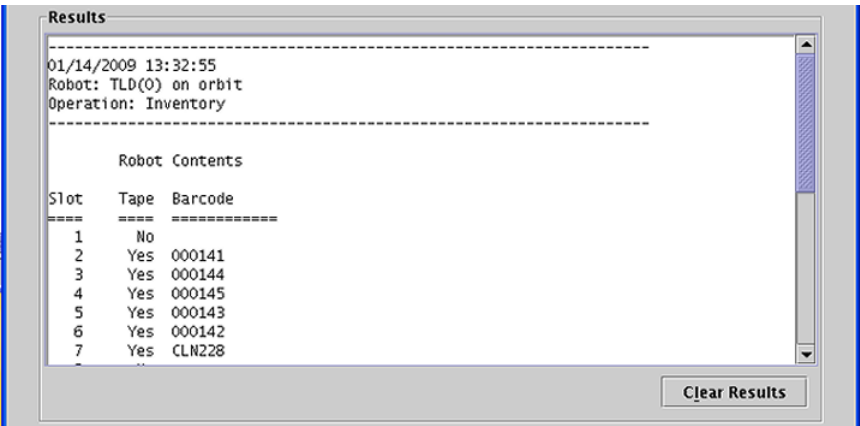
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Table 9-3                      Show contents description

Robot and media	Report contents
The robot has a bar code reader and the robot contains media with bar codes.	Shows if each slot has media and lists the bar code for the media.
The robot does not have a bar code reader or the robot contains media without bar codes.	Shows if each slot has media.
API robot.	Shows a list of the volumes in the robot.  See <a href="#">“About inventory results for API robots”</a> on page 424.

Figure 9-1 is an example of the report.

Figure 9-1                      Show contents report



See [“Showing the media in a robot”](#) on page 426.

## About inventory results for API robots

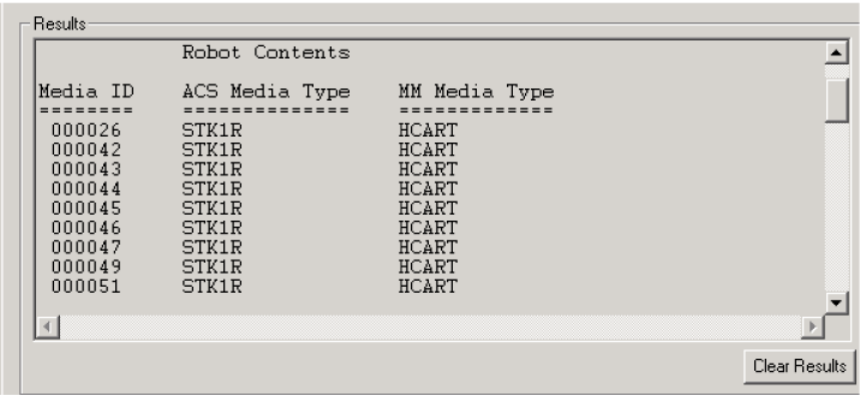
[Table 9-4](#) describes the contents of the robot inventory for the API robots.

**Table 9-4** API robot report contents

Robot type	Report contents
ACS	<p>The results, received from ACS library software, show the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The ACS library software volume ID. The NetBackup media ID corresponds to the ACS library software volume ID.</li><li>■ The ACS media type.</li><li>■ The NetBackup Media Manager media type.</li><li>■ The mapping between the ACS library software media type and the corresponding NetBackup Media Manager media type (without considering optional bar code rules).</li></ul>
TLH	<p>The results, received from the Automated Tape Library (ATL) library manager, show the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The volume serial number (volser). The Media Manager media ID corresponds to the ATL volser.</li><li>■ The ATL media type.</li><li>■ The Media Manager media type.</li><li>■ The mapping between the ATL media type and the corresponding Media Manager media type (without considering optional bar code rules).</li></ul>
TLM	<p>The results, received from the DAS/SDLC server, show the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The volume serial number (volser). The Media Manager media ID corresponds to the DAS/SDLC volser.</li><li>■ The DAS/SDLC media type</li><li>■ The Media Manager media type.</li><li>■ The mapping between the DAS/SDLC media type and the corresponding Media Manager media type (without considering optional bar code rules).</li></ul>

[Figure 9-2](#) shows the results for an ACS robot; the results for other API robots are similar.

Figure 9-2      Show contents report (API robot)



Media ID	ACS Media Type	MM Media Type
000026	STK1R	HCART
000042	STK1R	HCART
000043	STK1R	HCART
000044	STK1R	HCART
000045	STK1R	HCART
000046	STK1R	HCART
000047	STK1R	HCART
000049	STK1R	HCART
000051	STK1R	HCART

# Showing the media in a robot

Use the following procedure to show the media that is in a robot.

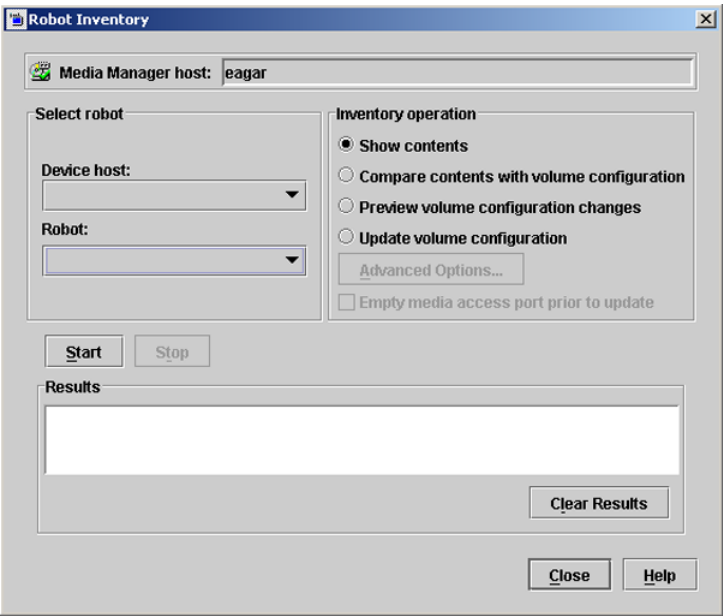
See “[About robot inventory](#)” on page 420.

See “[Robot inventory options](#)” on page 433.

To show the media in a robot

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media > Robots**.
- 2 Select the robot you want to inventory.

3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Inventory Robot**.



- 4 In the **Robot Inventory** dialog box, select **Show contents**.
- 5 Click **Start** to begin the inventory.

# About comparing a robot's contents with the volume configuration

**Compare contents with volume configuration** compares the contents of a robotic library with the contents of the EMM database. Regardless of the result, the database is not changed.

Table 9-5 Compare contents description

Robot and media	Report contents
The robot can read bar codes	The report shows the differences between the robot and the EMM database

Table 9-5                      Compare contents description (*continued*)

Robot and media	Report contents
The robot cannot read bar codes	The report shows only whether a slot contains a volume  If the media cave bar codes, this operation is useful for determining if volumes have been physically moved within a robot.
For API robots	The media ID and media type in the EMM database are compared to the information that is received from the vendor’s robotic library software.

If the results show that the EMM database does not match the contents of the robotic library, perform the following actions:

- Physically move the volume.
- Update the EMM database. Use **Actions > Move** or use the **Update volume configuration** option.

See “[About updating the volume configuration](#)” on page 429.

Figure 9-3 shows a sample compare report.

Figure 9-3                      Compare contents report (API robot)

Robot Contents			Volume Configuration			
Media ID	ACS Media Type	MM Media Type	Media ID	Media Type	Mismatch?	
000026	STK1R	HCART	000026	HCART		
000042	STK1R	HCART	000042	HCART		
000043	STK1R	HCART	000043	HCART		
000044	STK1R	HCART	000044	HCART		
000045	STK1R	HCART	000045	HCART		

See “[Comparing media in a robot with the volume configuration](#)” on page 428.

# Comparing media in a robot with the volume configuration

Use the following procedure to compare the media in a robot with the EMM database.

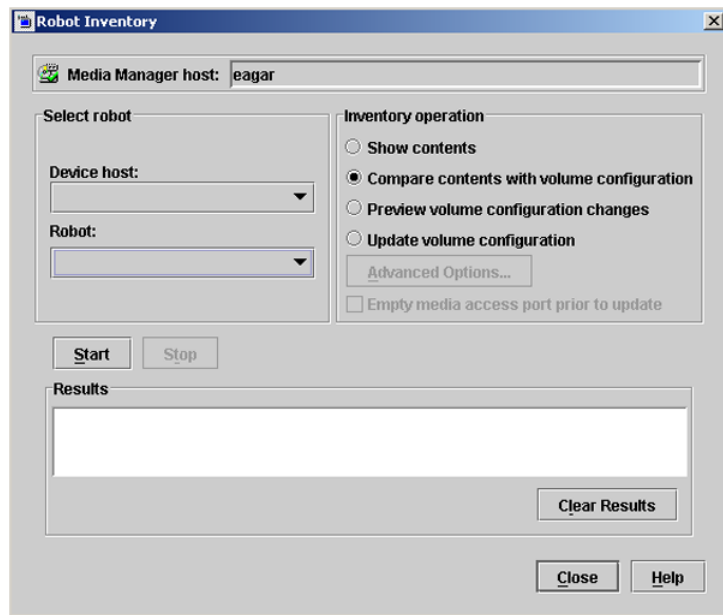


See “[About robot inventory](#)” on page 420.

See “[Robot inventory options](#)” on page 433.

To compare media in a robot with the volume configuration

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media > Robots**.
- 2 Select the robot you want to inventory.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, select **Inventory Robot**.



- 4 In the **Robot Inventory** dialog box, select **Compare contents with volume configuration**.
- 5 Click **Start** to begin the inventory.

## About updating the volume configuration

**Update volume configuration** updates the database to match the contents of the robot. If the robot contents are the same as the EMM database, no changes occur.

For a new volume (one that does not have a NetBackup media ID), the update creates a media ID. The media ID depends on the rules that are specified on the **Advanced Robot Inventory Options** dialog box.

See [“Robot inventory options”](#) on page 433.

For API robots, the update returns an error if the volume serial number or the media ID contain unsupported characters.

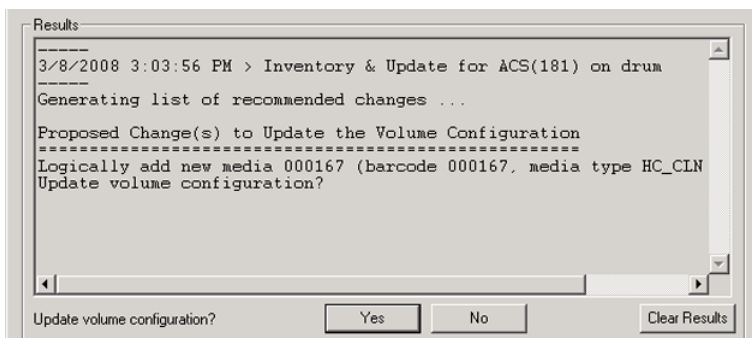
For robots without bar code readers, the new media IDs are based on a media ID prefix that you specify. Similarly, for volumes without readable bar codes, the new media IDs are based on a media ID prefix that you specify

[Figure 9-4](#) is an example for an ACS robot. Results for other API robots are similar.

Robot inventory update returns an error if it encounters unsupported characters in the volume serial number or media identifier from API robots.

See [“Volume update prerequisites”](#) on page 430.

**Figure 9-4** Update volume configuration for API robot report



See [“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”](#) on page 431.

## Volume update prerequisites

The following are the robot prerequisites and media prerequisites for updating the volume configuration:

- The robotic library must read bar codes.
- Volumes in the library must have readable bar codes.

You can check the bar code capabilities of the robotic library and the volumes by comparing the robot contents with the NetBackup volume configuration.

See [“Comparing media in a robot with the volume configuration”](#) on page 428.

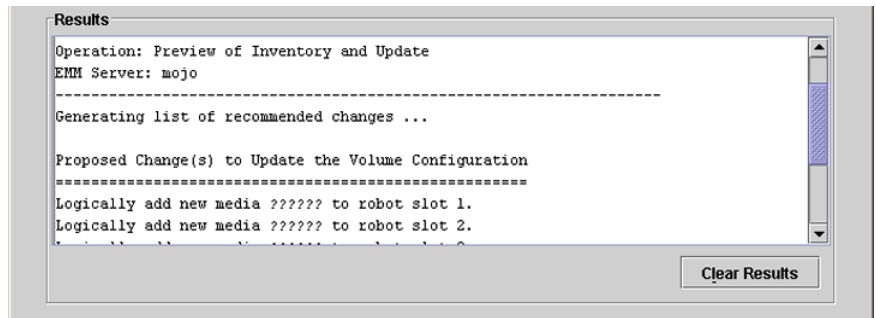
If the robotic library does not support bar codes or the volumes do not have readable bar codes, save the results of the compare operation. The results can help you determine a media ID prefix if you use the **Media Settings** tab of the **Advanced Options** dialog box to assign a prefix.

## About previewing volume configuration changes

Use this option to preview the changes before you update the EMM database. This option lets ensure that all new media have bar codes before you add them to the EMM database.

**Note:** If you preview the configuration changes first and then update the EMM database, the update results may not match the results of the preview operation. Possible causes may be the changes that occur between the preview and the update. Changes can be to the state of the robot, to the EMM database, to the bar code rules, and so on.

**Figure 9-5** Preview volume configuration changes (non-API robot)



See [“Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents”](#) on page 431.

## Updating the volume configuration with a robot's contents

Use the procedure in this topic to update the EMM database with the contents of a robot.

See [“About robot inventory”](#) on page 420.

You can change the default settings and rules that NetBackup uses to name and assign attributes to new media. For most configurations, the default settings work well. Change the settings only if the configuration has special hardware or usage requirements.

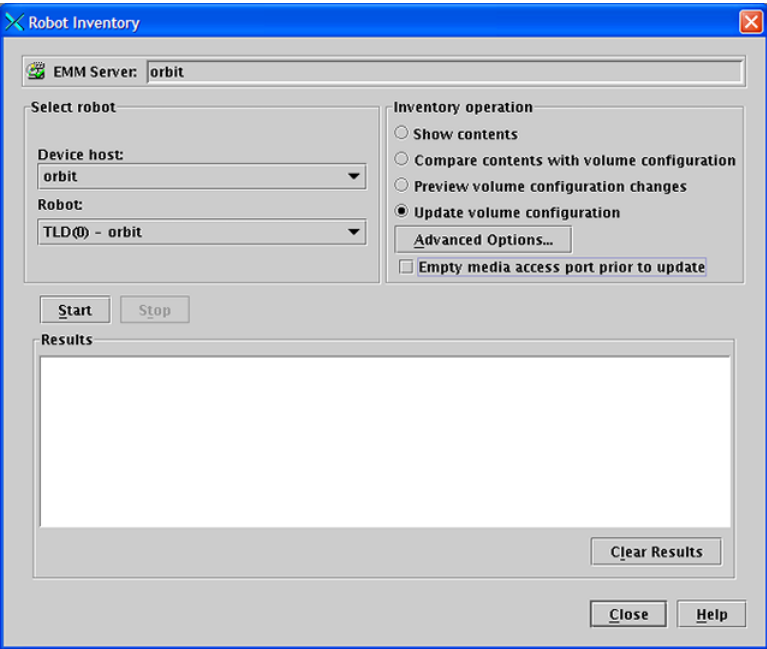
[Table 9-6](#) shows the rules you can configure.

Table 9-6            Attributes for new media

What	Where
Media settings	See “Configuring media settings” on page 434.
Bar code rules	See “Configuring bar code rules” on page 446.
Media ID generation rules	See “Configuring media ID generation rules” on page 448.
Map media for API robots	See “Configuring media type mappings” on page 450.

To update the volume configuration with a robot's contents

- 1    If necessary, insert new volume(s) into the robotic library.
- 2    In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **Media and Device Management > Media > Robots**.
- 3    Select the robot you want to inventory.
- 4    On the **Actions** menu, select **Inventory Robot**.



- 5    In the **Robot Inventory** dialog box, select **Update volume configuration**.

- To preview the changes, select **Preview volume configuration changes**.

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**Note:** If you preview the configuration changes first, then update the EMM database, the update results may not match the results of the preview operation. Possible causes may be the changes that occur between the preview and the update. Changes can be to the state of the robot, to the EMM database, to the bar code rules, and so on.

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- To change the default settings and rules that NetBackup uses to name and assign attributes to new media, click **Advanced Options**.

[Table 9-6](#) shows the settings and rules you can configure.

- Click **Start** to begin the inventory.

# Robot inventory options

The following robot inventory options are available by using the **NetBackup Administration Console**:

<b>Advanced options</b>	<p>The <b>Advanced Options</b> option is active if <b>Preview volume configuration changes</b> or <b>Update volume configuration</b> is selected.</p> <p>It opens the <b>Advanced Robot Inventory Options</b> dialog box, from which you can configure more options.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Configuring media settings”</a> on page 434.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Configuring bar code rules”</a> on page 446.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Configuring media ID generation rules”</a> on page 448.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Configuring media type mappings”</a> on page 450.</p> <p>For most configurations, the default settings work well. Change the settings only if the configuration has special hardware or usage requirements.</p>
<b>Device host</b>	<p>The <b>Device host</b> option is the host that controls the robot. In NetBackup Enterprise Server, specify the device host.</p>

<b>Empty media access port prior to update</b>	<p>The <b>Empty media access port prior to update</b> operation is active only for the robots that support that function.</p> <p>To inject volumes in the robot's media access port into the robot before you begin the update, select <b>Empty media access port prior to update</b>.</p> <p>The volumes to be injected must be in the media access port before the operation begins. If you select <b>Empty media access port prior to update</b> and the MAP is empty, you are not prompted to place volumes in the media access port.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If you use NetBackup to eject volumes from the robot, remove the volumes from the media access port before you begin an inject operation. Otherwise, if the inject port and eject port are the same, the ejected volumes may be injected back into the robotic library.</p>
<b>Robot</b>	<p>Use the <b>Robot</b> option to select a robot to inventory.</p> <p>If you selected a robot in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, that robot appears in this field.</p>
<b>Show contents</b>	<p>Displays the media in the selected robotic library; does not check or change the EMM database.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About showing a robot's contents”</a> on page 423.</p>
<b>Compare contents with volume configuration</b>	<p>Compares the contents of a robotic library with the contents of the EMM database but does not change the database.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About comparing a robot's contents with the volume configuration”</a> on page 427.</p>
<b>Preview volume configuration changes</b>	<p>Compares the contents of a robotic library with the contents of the EMM database. If differences exist, NetBackup recommends changes to the NetBackup volume configuration.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About previewing volume configuration changes”</a> on page 431.</p>
<b>Update volume configuration</b>	<p>Updates the database to match the contents of the robot. If the robot contents are the same as the EMM database, no changes occur.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About updating the volume configuration”</a> on page 429.</p>

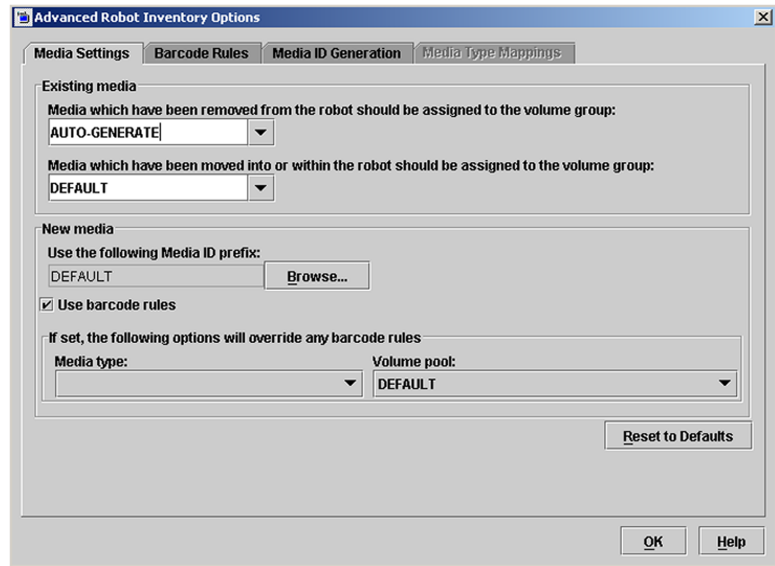
# Configuring media settings

Use the **Media Settings** tab of the **Advanced Robot Inventory Options** dialog box to perform the following actions:

- For existing media, specify the volume group
- For new media, specify the media settings

### To configure media settings

- 1 In the **Robot Inventory** dialog box, click **Advanced Options**.
- 2 In the **Advanced Robot Inventory Options** dialog box, click the **Media Settings** tab.



- 3 Configure the settings.  
See [“Media settings - existing media”](#) on page 435.  
See [“Media settings - new media”](#) on page 437.
- 4 Click **OK**.

## Media settings - existing media

For the media that already exists in your volume configuration, you can specify the volume group for two conditions: if the media are removed from the robot or if the media are moved into or within the robot.

- **Media that have been removed from the robot**  
The volume group to assign to the media that are removed from the robot.  
The list contains the following selections:

**AUTO GENERATE** NetBackup automatically generates a new volume group.

DEFAULT	If there is an existing group with a compatible residence for the volume, the volume is added to that group. If a suitable volume group does not exist, NetBackup generates a new volume group name.
NO VOLUME GROUP	The media are not assigned to a volume group.

Other selections may be available, depending on the setting of the **Media type** field as follows:

DEFAULT	The selection includes the volume groups that are valid for the robot's default media type.
Other than DEFAULT	<p>The selection includes the volume groups that are valid for the specified media type.</p> <p>To specify a volume group other than DEFAULT, enter a volume group name or select one from the list.</p>

- **Media that have been moved into or within the robot**  
The volume group to assign to the existing media that you have inserted into the robot (or moved to a new location within the robot).  
The list contains the following selections:

AUTO GENERATE NetBackup automatically generates a new volume group.

DEFAULT	If there is an existing group with a compatible residence for the volume, the volume is added to that group. If a suitable volume group does not exist, NetBackup generates a new volume group name.
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Other selections may be available, depending on the setting of the **Media type** field as follows:

DEFAULT	The selection includes the volume groups that are valid for the robot's default media type.
Other than DEFAULT	<p>The selection includes the volume groups that are valid for the specified media type.</p> <p>To specify a volume group other than DEFAULT, enter a volume group name or select one from the list.</p>

If the robotic library contains multiple media types, Symantec recommends a **DEFAULT** setting. If you specify a volume group and volumes of different media



types were moved into or within the robot, the new update fails. Volumes of different media types cannot have the same volume group.

See [“Media settings - media type”](#) on page 438.

## Media settings - new media

For new media in the robot to add to your volume configuration, specify the attributes for the new media.

### Media settings - use the following Media ID prefix

If the robot supports bar codes and the volume has readable bar codes, a prefix is not required because NetBackup creates media IDs automatically.

If either of the following conditions exist, specify a media ID prefix for any new media :

- The robot does not support bar codes.
- The volume that was inserted does not have readable bar codes.

The list contains the following selections:

DEFAULT	<p>If DEFAULT is selected, NetBackup performs the following actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Assigns the last <code>MEDIA_ID_PREFIX</code> entry as the default prefix if <code>MEDIA_ID_PREFIX</code> entries are defined in the <code>vm.conf</code> file.</li> <li>■ Uses the letter A if no <code>MEDIA_ID_PREFIX</code> entries are defined.</li> </ul>
Browse	<p>Click <b>Browse</b> to open the <b>Media ID Prefix</b> dialog box. You then can enter a prefix for the current operation or choose a prefix from the <code>vm.conf</code> file. The <code>MEDIA_ID_PREFIX</code> entries define prefixes in the <code>vm.conf</code> file.</p>

Information about the `vm.conf` file is available.

See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

### Media settings - use bar code rules

Specifies whether or not to use bar code rules to assign attributes for new media.

To enable bar code rule support for API robots, add an `API_BARCODE_RULES` entry to the `vm.conf` file.

See [“About bar codes”](#) on page 441.

See [“Configuring bar code rules”](#) on page 446.

Information about the `vm.conf` file is available.

See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

### Media settings - media type

Specifies the type for the new media that are added to a robot. The list includes the media types that are valid for the robot.

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**Note:** For API robots, the **Media type** is always set to `DEFAULT`. To specify a media type for API robots, use the **Media Type Mappings** tab of the dialog box.

See [“Configuring media type mappings”](#) on page 450.

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### Media type when using bar code rules

If you use bar code rules, choose one of the following:

DEFAULT	<p>NetBackup uses the bar code rules to determine the media type that is assigned.</p> <p>Each media type to be added should have a bar code rule. For example, assume that you want to add DLT and half-inch cartridges to a TLD robot with a single update operation. First create separate bar code rules for DLT and half-inch cartridges and then select the specific media types when you create the bar code rules. Finally, select <code>DEFAULT</code> on the <b>Media Settings</b> tab. The correct media type is assigned to each media.</p> <p>If you choose <code>DEFAULT</code> on the <b>Media Settings</b> tab and <code>DEFAULT</code> in the bar code rule, NetBackup assigns the default media type for the robot.</p>
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A specific media type from the list. You can use a single bar code rule to add media of different types, such as DLT and half-inch cartridges (HCART) to a TLD robot. First, select a specific media type on the **Media Settings** tab. Second, select **DEFAULT** for the bar code rule media type when you create the bar code rule. You can perform one update for DLT and another for half-inch cartridge, and the bar code rule assigns the correct media type.

If you specify a value other than **DEFAULT**, the bar code rule media type must be the same as the media or be **DEFAULT**. If not, the bar code rule does not match the media (except for cleaning media).

[Table 9-7](#) shows some combinations of media types on the **Media Settings** tab and bar code rule media types for a TLD (non-API) robot. It also shows the results when the media are added to the volume configuration.

**Table 9-7** Example media type and bar code rule combinations

Media type on Media Settings tab	Bar code rule media type	Rule matches?	Media type added to volume configuration
DLT	DEFAULT	Yes	DLT
HCART	DEFAULT	Yes	HCART
DLT	DLT	Yes	DLT
DLT	DLT_CLN	Yes	DLT_CLN
DLT_CLN	DLT	No	DLT_CLN
DLT_CLN	DLT_CLN	Yes	DLT_CLN
DLT_CLN	DEFAULT	Yes	DLT_CLN
DLT	8MM, 4MM, and so on	No	DLT
DEFAULT	DEFAULT	Yes	DLT
DEFAULT	DLT	Yes	DLT
DEFAULT	DLT_CLN	Yes	DLT_CLN
DEFAULT	8 MM, 4 MM, and so on	No	Depends on robot type

The fourth row in the table shows how both cleaning cartridges and regular volumes are added using one update operation.

All the following conditions must be true:

- The media type on the **Media Settings** tab is for regular media (DLT, in this example).
- The bar code matches a bar code tag.
- The media type for the bar code rule is cleaning media (DLT\_CLN).

Another example is available:

See [“Volume Configuration Example 5: Adding cleaning tapes to a robot”](#) on page 473.

The sixth row and seventh row in the table show how to add only a cleaning tape. In the sixth row, you specify the cleaning media type on the **Media Settings** tab and in the bar code rule. In the seventh, specify the cleaning media on the **Media Settings** tab and specify default when you configure the bar code rule.

See [“Configuring bar code rules”](#) on page 446.

Media type when not using bar code rules

Choose one of the following if bar code rules are not used:

DEFAULT	<p>NetBackup uses the media type that is configured for the drives if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The drives in the robot are configured on the robot control host</li><li>■ All drives the same type</li><li>■ At least one drive is configured on the robot control host</li></ul> <p>If the drives are not the same type, NetBackup uses the default media type for the robot.</p>
A specific media type	<p>If the robot supports multiple media types and you do not want to use the default media type, select a specific type.</p> <p>The following applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server. Select a specific media type if: the drives are not configured on the robot control host and the drives are not the default media type for the robot.</p>

[Table 9-8](#) shows the default media types for robots when drives are not configured on the robot control host:

Robot type	Default media type
Tape Library 4 MM (TL4)	4 MM cartridge tape.

**Table 9-8** Default media types for non-API robots (*continued*)

Robot type	Default media type
Tape Library 8 MM (TL8)	8 MM cartridge tape. Also supports 8 MM cartridge tape 2 and 8 MM cartridge tape 3.
Tape Library DLT (TLD)	DLT cartridge tape. Also supports the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ DLT cartridge tape 2 and 3, 1/2-inch cartridge tape</li> <li>■ 1/2-inch cartridge tape 2, 1/2-inch cartridge tape 3</li> <li>■ 8 MM cartridge tape, 8 MM cartridge tape 2, 8 MM cartridge tape 3</li> <li>■ DTF cartridge tape</li> <li>■ 1/4-inch cartridge tape</li> </ul>

## Media settings - volume pool

The volume pool for the new media. The actions depend on whether you use bar code rules to assign media attributes, as follows:

DEFAULT	<p>DEFAULT. If you select DEFAULT and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Use bar code rules, the bar code rules determine the volume pool to which new volumes are assigned</li> <li>■ Do not use bar code rules, NetBackup assigns data tapes to the NetBackup pool but does not assign cleaning tapes to a volume pool</li> </ul>
A specific volume pool.	If you use bar code rules, this volume pool setting always overrides the rule.

## About bar codes

When a robotic library has a bar code reader, it scans the media for bar codes and saves the results. The results associate the slot number and the bar code with the media in that slot. NetBackup obtains bar code and slot information from the robotic library.

In the robots that have bar code readers, NetBackup verifies the bar code to ensure that the robot loads the correct volume.

If the bar code on the volume does not match the bar code in the EMM database, NetBackup does one of the following:

- Assigns the request a pending status (for media-specific jobs such as a restore)
- Uses another volume (for backup or duplicate jobs)

If a requested volume is not in a robot, a pending request message appears in the **NetBackup Administration Console** Device Monitor.

The operator must find the volume and do one of the following:

- Check the Device Monitor to find a suitable drive and mount the requested volume in that drive.
- Move the volume into the robot, update the volume configuration to reflect the correct location for the media, and resubmit the request.

If the volume is labeled, the automatic volume recognition daemon reads the label and the drive is assigned to the request. If the volume is unlabeled and not associated with a robot, the operator manually assigns the drive to the request.

## About bar code advantages

NetBackup functions well whether or not bar codes are used. However, Symantec suggests using media with bar codes in the robots that can read bar codes.

Bar codes offer the following advantages:

- Automatic media ID assignment  
When you add new media to a robot, NetBackup is able to assign media IDs according to specified criteria.
- More accurate tracking of volume location  
A robot inventory update can determine which volumes are in a robot.
- Increased performance  
Not using bar codes can adversely affect performance for some robots. A robot that reads bar codes performs a scan each time it moves a tape. The robot stores the correct bar code in memory or verifies a previously saved bar code. However, if a tape does not have a bar code, the robot retries the scan multiple times, degrading performance.

## About bar code best practices

Consider the following practices when you select bar codes for volumes:

- Bar codes usually appear on the labels that are attached to the outside of tape volumes.
- The maximum bar code length that NetBackup supports depends on the type of robot.

See the *NetBackup Device Configuration Guide*.

- Always follow the robotic library vendor's recommendations when purchasing bar code labels for use with NetBackup.  
Ensure that the bar codes have the correct number of characters.
- Bar codes can represent any combination of alpha and numeric characters, but different robots support different lengths of bar codes.  
See the robot vendor's documentation to determine the requirements for a specific robot type.
- Use bar codes without spaces (at the beginning, at the end, or between any characters).  
Otherwise, the robot or NetBackup may not read them correctly.
- Volumes in an API robot have a real or a logical bar code.  
This volume identifier is used as the NetBackup media ID. This volume identifier is the volume serial number in ACS, TLH, and TLM robots.
- For API robots, the bar code for a volume must be identical to the NetBackup media ID.  
Match bar codes to media IDs by getting custom labels in the same series as the media IDs. For example, to match a set of media IDs from AA0000 to ZZ9999, get bar code labels in that series.
- When a robotic library can contain more than one media type, assign specific characters in the bar code to different media types. Do so by using media ID generation rules.  
Also, use bar codes to differentiate between data tapes and cleaning tapes or to differentiate between volume pools.

## About bar code rules

A bar code rule specifies criteria for assigning attributes to new robotic volumes. NetBackup assigns these attributes by using the bar code for the volume that the robotic library provides and your bar code rules.

In NetBackup, you choose whether to use bar code rules when you set up the robot inventory update operation. The bar code rules are stored on the EMM server.

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**Note:** NetBackup does not use bar code rules if a volume already uses a bar code.

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## About NetBackup actions for bar codes

When a robot inventory update operation uses NetBackup bar code rules and a new bar code is detected in the robot, NetBackup does the following:

- Searches the list of rules (from first to last) for a rule that matches the new bar code.
- If the bar code matches a rule, verifies that the media type in the rule is compatible with the media type specified for the update.
- If the media types match, assigns the attributes in the rule to the volume. The attributes include the media type, volume pool, maximum number of mounts (or number of cleanings), and description.

### Example bar code rules

Table 9-9 shows some example bar code rules. Rules are sorted first according to the number of characters in the bar code tag and then by the order added. Two exceptions are the <NONE> and <DEFAULT> rules, which are always located at the end of the list.

**Table 9-9** Example bar code rules

Bar code tag	Media type	Volume pool	Max mounts and cleanings	Description
0080	8MM	b_pool	55	New 008 volumes
DLT	DLT	d_pool	200	DLT backup
CLD	DLT_CLN	None	30	DLT cleaning
CLT	8MM_CLN	None	20	8-mm cleaning
TL8	8MM	t_pool	0	8-mm backup
TL	8MM	None	0	8-mm no pool
<NONE>	DEFAULT	None	0	No bar code
<DEFAULT>	DEFAULT	NetBackup	0	Other bar codes

Assume that you select the following media settings (update options) for the update operation for a new 8-mm volume in a TL8 robot:

Media type = 8MM

Volume group = 00\_000\_TL8

Use bar code rules = YES

Volume pool = DEFAULT



If a new volume in this robotic library has a bar code of TL800001, NetBackup uses the rule with the bar code tag of TL8. NetBackup assigns the following attributes to the volume:

- Media ID = 800001 (last six characters of bar code)
- Volume group = 00\_000\_TL8
- Volume pool = t\_pool
- Maximum mounts = 0 (no maximum)

If a new volume has a bar code of TL000001, NetBackup uses the rule with the bar code tag of TL. NetBackup assigns the following attributes to the volume:

- Media ID = 000001 (last six characters of bar code)
- Volume group = 00\_000\_TL8
- Volume pool = None
- Maximum mounts = 0 (no maximum)

## About media ID generation rules

Use media ID generation rules to override the default media ID naming method NetBackup uses. The default method uses the last six characters of the bar code the robot provides to generate the media ID.

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**Note:** To use media ID generation rules, the robot must support bar codes and the robot cannot be an API robot. Media ID generation rules are saved in the Media Manager configuration file (`vm.conf`).

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For example, two eight-character bar codes are `S00006L1` and `000006L1`. Without any media ID generation rules NetBackup uses the last six characters of the bar code to generate media IDs. In this example, the same media ID for the two bar codes is created (`0006L1`).

Use a rule to control how NetBackup creates media IDs by specifying which characters of a bar code are used in the media ID. Or, specify that alphanumeric characters are to be inserted into the ID.

Define multiple rules to accommodate the robots and the bar code lengths. Define rules to specific robots and for each bar code format that has different numbers or characters in the bar code. Multiple rules allow flexibility for the robots that support multiple media types.

# Configuring bar code rules

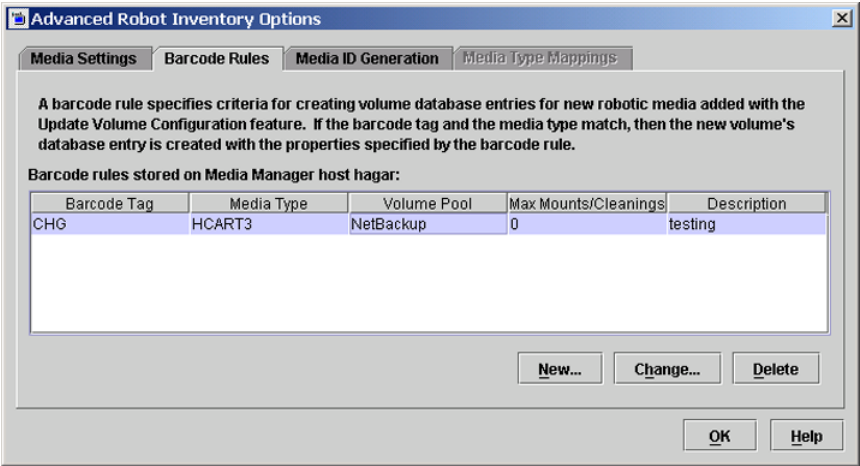
Use the **Barcode Rules** tab of the **Advanced Robot Inventory Options** dialog box to configure rules for assigning attributes to the new volumes that are added to a robot. NetBackup assigns bar codes when you select **Use bar code rules** on the **Media Settings** tab.

To enable bar code rule support for API robots, add an `API_BARCODE_RULES` entry to the `vm.conf` file.

See [“About bar codes”](#) on page 441.

To configure bar code rules

- 1 In the **Robot Inventory** dialog box, click **Advanced Options**.
- 2 In the **Advanced Robot Inventory Options** dialog box, click the **Barcode Rules** tab.



- 3 To add a rule, click **New** and then configure the rule in the dialog box.  
See [“Bar code rules settings”](#) on page 447.
- 4 To change a rule, select the rule, click **Change**, and then change the rule in the dialog box.  
  
You cannot change the bar code tag of a bar code rule. You first must delete the old rule and then add a rule with a new bar code tag.  
  
See [“Bar code rules settings”](#) on page 447.
- 5 To delete a rule, select the rule, click **Delete**, and click **OK** in the confirmation dialog box. You can select and delete multiple rules with one operation.

## Bar code rules settings

See [Table 9-10](#) on page 447. describes the settings you can configure for bar code rules. NetBackup uses these rules to assign bar codes to new media.

**Table 9-10** Bar code rule settings

Bar code rule setting	Description
<b>Barcode tag</b>	<p>A unique string of bar code characters that identifies the type of media.</p> <p>For example, use DLT as the bar code tag for a bar code rule if the following is true:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ You use DLT on the bar codes to identify DLT tapes</li> <li>■ DLT is not used on any other bar codes in the robot</li> </ul> <p>Similarly, if you use CLND for DLT cleaning media, use CLND as the bar code tag for the rule for DLT cleaning media.</p> <p>The bar code tag can have from 1 to 16 characters but cannot contain spaces.</p> <p>The following are the special bar code rules that can match special characters in the bar code tags:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>NONE</b> Matches when rules are used and the volume has an unreadable bar code or the robot does not support bar codes.</li> <li>■ <b>DEFAULT</b> For volumes with bar codes, this tag matches when none of the other bar code tags match. However, the following must be compatible: the media type in the <b>DEFAULT</b> rule and the media type on the <b>Media Settings</b> tab.</li> </ul> <p>You cannot change the bar code tag of a bar code rule. Instead, first delete the old rule, then add a rule with a new bar code tag.</p> <p>Use the <b>Media Settings</b> tab to set up the criteria for a robot update.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Configuring media settings”</a> on page 434.</p>
<b>Description</b>	A description of the bar code rule. Enter from 1 to 25 characters.
<b>Maximum mounts</b>	<p>The maximum number of mounts (or cleanings) that are allowed for the volume.</p> <p>For data volumes, a value of zero means the volume can be mounted an unlimited number of times.</p> <p>For cleaning tapes, zero means that the cleaning tape is not used. Symantec recommends that you use bar codes for the cleaning media that cannot be confused with bar codes for data media. Doing so can avoid a value of 0 for cleaning tapes.</p>

Table 9-10 Bar code rule settings (continued)

Bar code rule setting	Description
Media type option	<p>The media type to assign to the media.</p> <p>The media type that is specified on the <b>Media Settings</b> tab always overrides the media type of the bar code rule. If you specify a value other than <code>DEFAULT</code> on the <b>Media Settings</b> tab, the bar code rule media type must be the same as the media or be <code>DEFAULT</code>. If not, the bar code rule does not match the media (except for cleaning media).</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Media type when using bar code rules”</a> on page 438.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> When a media type is selected, the maximum mounts value may revert to the default value for the specified media type. For example, it may revert to 0 for unlimited when you select a non-cleaning media type.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“NetBackup media types”</a> on page 376.</p>
Volume pool	<p>The volume pool for the new media. The actions depend on whether you use bar code rules to assign media attributes.</p> <p>Select from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>DEFAULT</b> If <code>DEFAULT</code> is selected, NetBackup performs the following actions:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ If you use bar code rules, the bar code rules determine the volume pool to which new volumes are assigned.</li><li>■ If you do not use bar code rules, NetBackup assigns data tapes to the NetBackup pool but does not assign cleaning tapes to a volume pool.</li></ul></li><li>■ <b>A specific volume pool</b> This volume pool setting always overrides any bar code rules.</li></ul>

## Configuring media ID generation rules

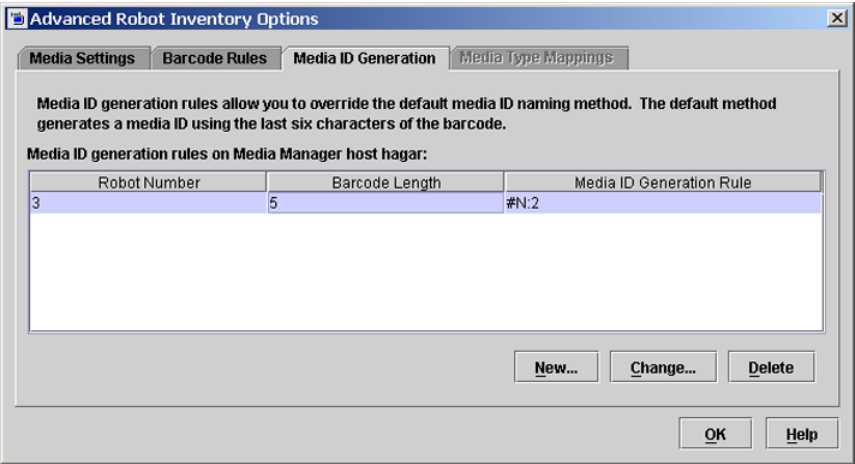
For non-API robots only.

To use media ID generation rules, the robot must support bar codes and the robot cannot be an API robot.

See [“About media ID generation rules”](#) on page 445.

To configure media ID generation rules

- 1 In the **Robot Inventory** dialog box, click **Advanced Options**.
- 2 In the **Advanced Robot Inventory Options** dialog box, click the **Media ID Generation** tab.



- 3 To add a rule, click **New** and then configure the rule in the dialog box.  
See [“Media ID generation options”](#) on page 449.
- 4 To change a rule, select the rule, click **Change**, and then change the rule in the dialog box.  
You cannot change the robot number or bar code length of a rule. To change those properties, first delete the old rule and then add a rule.
- 5 To delete a rule, select the rule, click **Delete**, and click **OK** in the confirmation dialog box. You can select and delete multiple rules with one operation.

## Media ID generation options

NetBackup uses rules to generate the IDs for media in robots. The default rule uses the last six characters of the bar code label from the tape.

You can configure media ID generation rules to override the default rule. Control how NetBackup creates media IDs by defining the rules that specify which characters of a bar code label to use for the media ID.

The following subsections describe the media ID generation rule options.

The following list describes the media ID generation rule options:

■ **Bar code length**

The **Barcode length** is the number of characters in the bar code for tapes in the robot.

You cannot change the bar code length of a rule. Rather, first delete the rule and then add a new rule.

■ **Media ID generation rule**

A **Media ID generation rule** consists of a maximum of six colon-separate fields. Numbers define the positions of the characters in the bar code that are to be extracted. For example, the number 2 in a field extracts the second character (from the left) of the bar code. You can specify numbers in any order.

To insert a specific character in a generated media idea, precede the character by a pound sign (#). Any alphanumeric characters that are specified must be valid for a media ID.

Use rules to create media IDs of many formats. However, it may be difficult to manage media if the label on the media and the generated media ID are different.

The table shows some examples of rules and the resulting media IDs.

Bar code on tape	Media ID generation rule	Generated media ID
032945L1	1:2:3:4:5:6	032945
032945L1	3:4:5:6:7	2945L
032945L1	#N:2:3:4:5:6	N32945
543106L1	#9:2:3:4	9431
543106L1	1:2:3:4:#P	5431P

■ **Robot number**

The number of the robot to which the rule applies.

You cannot change the robot number of a rule. Rather, first delete the rule and then add a new rule.

# Configuring media type mappings

Applies to API robots only.

For API robots, NetBackup contains default mappings from a vendor's media types to NetBackup media types. API robots are ACS, TLH, or TLM robot types.

You can change the default mappings. Changes apply only to the current volume configuration update.

You also can add media type mappings.

See [“About adding media type mapping entries”](#) on page 452.

See [“Default and allowable media types”](#) on page 453.

See [“NetBackup media types”](#) on page 376.

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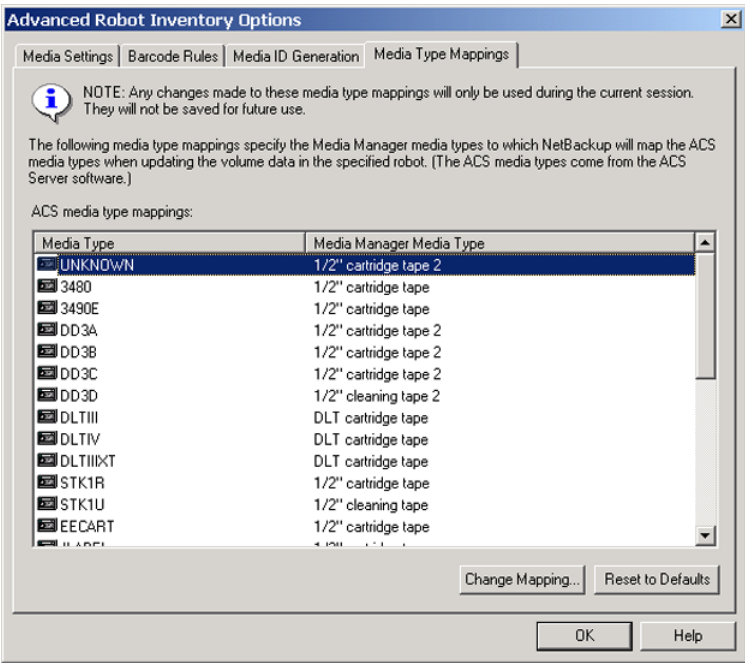
**Note:** You can write a bar code rule that contains the media types that are incompatible with vendor media types. However, the robot inventory update may assign NetBackup media types that are inconsistent with the vendor media types. Avoid this problem by grouping bar code rules by media type.

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Use the following procedure to change media type mappings.

To configure media type mappings

- 1
- In the **Robot Inventory** dialog box, click **Advanced Options**.
- 2
- In the **Advanced Robot Inventory Options** dialog box, click the **Media Type Mappings** tab.



The mappings that appear are only for the robot type that was selected for inventory.

The tab shows the default mappings and any mappings you add.

- 3
- Select the row that contains the robot-vendor media type mapping that you want to change and click **Change Mapping**.
- 4
- In the **Change Media Mapping** dialog box, select a Media Manager media type from the list of allowed selections.
- 5
- Click **OK**.

To reset the mappings to the default, click **Reset to Defaults**.

About adding media type mapping entries

Applies to API robots only.



The default media type mappings may not provide the wanted mappings. If not, add robot-specific media mappings to the `vm.conf` file on the host on which you are run the **NetBackup Administration Console**.

Information about how to do so is available.

See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

**Table 9-11** Examples of robot-specific media mappings

vm.conf entry	Result	Robot default without a vm.conf entry
ACS_3490E = HCART2	Maps the ACS 3490E to the HCART2 media type.	HCART
ACS_DLTIV = DLT2	Maps ACS DLTIV to the DLT2 media type.	DLT for all ACS DLT media types, including DLTIV
TLH_3490E = HCART2	Maps the TLH 3490E to the HCART2 media type.	HCART

## Default and allowable media types

Applies to API robots only.

The default media types on the **Media Type Mappings** tab are the media types provided by each robot vendor.

The following tables contain the default and allowable media types for the API robots as follows:

- The second column of each table shows the default media type.
- The third column shows the media types to which you can map the defaults. To do so, first add the allowable mapping entries to the `vm.conf` file. Some map entries are not allowed. For example, you cannot specify either of the following map entries for ACS robots:

```
ACS_DD3A = DLT
ACS_DD3A = HCART4
```

**Table 9-12** shows the default media types and the allowable media types for ACS robots.

**Table 9-12** Default and allowable media types for ACS robots

ACS media type	Default media type	Allowable media types through mappings
3480	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3490E	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
DD3A	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
DD3B	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
DD3C	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
DD3D	1/2-inch cartridge cleaning tape 2 (HC2_CLN)	HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN
DLTIII	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
DLTIIIXT	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
DLTIV	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
EECART	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
JLABEL	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
KLABEL	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_100G	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_10GB	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_200G	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_35GB	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_400G	1/2-inch cartridge tape 3 (HCART3)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_400W	1/2-inch cartridge tape 3 (HCART3)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_50GB	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_800G	1/2-inch cartridge tape (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3

**Table 9-12** Default and allowable media types for ACS robots (*continued*)

ACS media type	Default media type	Allowable media types through mappings
LTO_800W	1/2-inch cartridge tape (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
LTO_CLN1	1/2-inch cartridge cleaning tape (HC_CLN)	HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN
LTO_CLN2	1/2-inch cartridge cleaning tape (HC_CLN)	HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN
LTO_CLN3	1/2-inch cartridge cleaning tape (HC_CLN)	HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN
LTO_CLNU	1/2-inch cartridge cleaning tape (HC_CLN)	HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN
SDLT	Digital Linear Tape 3 (DLT3)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
SDLT_2	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
SDLT_4	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
SDLT_S1	Digital Linear Tape 2 (DLT2)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
SDLT_S2	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
SDLT_S3	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
SDLT_S4	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
STK1R	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
STK1U	1/2-inch cartridge cleaning tape (HC_CLN)	HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN
STK1Y	1/2-inch cartridge cleaning tape (HC_CLN)	HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN
STK2P	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
STK2W	1/2-inch cartridge cleaning tape 2 (HC2_CLN)	HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN
T10000CT	1/2-inch cartridge tape 3 (HCART3)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3

**Table 9-12** Default and allowable media types for ACS robots (*continued*)

ACS media type	Default media type	Allowable media types through mappings
T1000T1	1/2-inch cartridge tape 3 (HCART3)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
T1000TS	1/2-inch cartridge tape 3 (HCART3)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
UNKNOWN (for unknown ACS media types)	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3, HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN, DLT, DLT2, DLT3, DLT_CLN, DLT2_CLN, DLT3_CLN
VIRTUAL	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3, HC_CLN, HC2_CLN, HC3_CLN, DLT, DLT2, DLT3, DLT_CLN, DLT2_CLN, DLT3_CLN

[Table 9-13](#) shows the default and allowable media types for TLH robots.

**Table 9-13** Default and allowable media types for TLH robots

TLH media type	Default Media Manager media type	Allowable media types through mappings
3480	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3490E	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3590J	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3590K	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3592JA	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3592JB	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3592JX	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3592JJ	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3

**Table 9-13** Default and allowable media types for TLH robots (*continued*)

TLH media type	Default Media Manager media type	Allowable media types through mappings
3592JR	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
3592JW	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
UNKNOWN (for unknown TLH media types)	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3

[Table 9-14](#) shows the default and allowable media types for TLM robots.

**Table 9-14** Default and allowable media types for TLM robots

TLM media type	Default media type	Allowable media types through mappings
3480	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
OD_THICK	NONE (OD_THICK is translated to media type REWR_OPT for robot contents reports. OD_THICK is ignored for all other robotic inventory operations)	NONE
DECDLT	Digital Linear Tape (DLT)	DLT, DLT2, DLT3
8MM	8mm cartridge (8MM)	8MM, 8MM2, 8MM3
4MM	4mm cartridge (4MM)	4MM
3590	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
DTF	DTF cartridge (DTF)	DTF
SONY_AIT	8mm cartridge (8MM)	8MM, 8MM2, 8MM3
LTO	1/2-inch cartridge (HCART)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3
UNKNOWN (for unknown TLM media types)	1/2-inch cartridge tape 2 (HCART2)	HCART, HCART2, HCART3, DLT, DLT2, DLT3, 8MM, 8MM2, 8MM3

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**Note:** The following TLM media types are not supported: OD\_THIN, D2, VHS, CD, TRAVAN, BETACAM, AUDIO\_TAPE, BETACAMCL, DVCN, and DVCL.

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## About the `vmphyinv` physical inventory utility

For the following robotic libraries, the **NetBackup Administration Console** reports only the presence of media:

- For the robots without bar code readers
- For the robots that contain media without bar codes

More detailed information is required to perform automated media management. For such robots, use the `vmphyinv` physical inventory utility.

The `vmphyinv` physical inventory utility inventories nonbar coded tape libraries by performing the following actions:

- Mounts each tape
- Reads the tape header
- Identifies the tape in each slot
- Updates the NetBackup volume configuration

Use the `vmphyinv -verbose` option to display more information about the suggested changes. The `-verbose` option shows the number of drives available, the contents of each tape, if the media is a catalog tape. (The media format column of the summary contains NetBackup database for NetBackup catalog tapes.)

This verbose information is written to `stderr`. To save the information, redirect `stderr` to a file.

`vmphyinv` is a command-line utility. Additional information about the syntax of the `vmphyinv` command is available.

See *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

**Table 9-15**      `vmphyinv` features, requirements, restrictions, and when to use

<code>vmphyinv</code> features	<p>The <code>vmphyinv</code> utility has the following features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Can be run from any master server, media server, or SAN media server.</li> <li>■ Can be used with bar coded tape libraries because it verifies the contents of the media.</li> <li>■ Recognizes the NetBackup and the Backup Exec tape formats.</li> <li>■ Supports the remote administration. You do not need to run <code>vmphyinv</code> from the host to which the drives are attached.</li> <li>■ Tries to use multiple drives in a robot even if the drives are attached to different hosts.</li> <li>■ Works with shared drives (NetBackup Shared Storage Option).</li> <li>■ Supports all supported SCSI-based robot types.</li> <li>■ Can be used to inventory a single media in a standalone drive. Use the <code>-u</code> option or the <code>-n</code> option to specify the drive; the drive must contain media and it must be ready.</li> </ul>
<code>vmphyinv</code> requirements and restrictions	<p>The <code>vmphyinv</code> utility has the following requirements and restrictions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ It cannot distinguish between the volume records based on the application type.</li> <li>■ When you move the media from robotic drives to standalone drives, you cannot specify a new volume group for the media.</li> </ul>

**Table 9-15** vmphyinv features, requirements, restrictions, and when to use  
(continued)

When to use vmphyinv	<p>Use <code>vmphyinv</code> to update the EMM database for NetBackup and Backup Exec media in the following cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ You want to inventory a robot that does not have a bar code reader or that contains nonbar coded media.</li><li>■ You insert new media into a robotic library and no NetBackup volume records correspond to the media. Use the slot range or list option of <code>vmphyinv</code> to perform the inventory operation. You do not need to add volume records to the EMM database.</li><li>■ You insert some media that have unknown media IDs or globally unique identifiers (GUIDs) into a robot. For example, you insert 10 media from a different tape library in slots 11 to 20. You do not know the IDs on the tapes. Use the slot range or list option of <code>vmphyinv</code> to perform the inventory operation. The <code>vmphyinv</code> utility mounts the media, reads the tape header, determines the media ID, and adds media records to the EMM database.</li><li>■ Some of the media are misplaced and the EMM database does not reflect the correct physical location of these media. Inventory the robot or inventory a subset of media in the robot by using options in <code>vmphyinv</code>.</li></ul>
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See [“How vmphyinv performs a physical inventory”](#) on page 460.

## How vmphyinv performs a physical inventory

For a physical inventory, the `vmphyinv` utility performs the following sequence of operations:

- Obtains a list of drives to mount the media  
See [“About the vmphyinv list of drives”](#) on page 461.
- Obtains a list of media to mount  
See [“About the media vmphyinv mounts”](#) on page 461.
- Mounts the media and reads the tape headers  
See [“How vmphyinv mounts the media and reads the tape header”](#) on page 462.
- Updates the EMM database  
See [“How vmphyinv updates the EMM database”](#) on page 463.



## About the vmphyinv list of drives

The list of drives the `vmphyinv` utility uses to mount the media is obtained from the EMM database. The drives do not need to be configured locally.

You cannot specify which drives to use. However, you can specify the maximum number of drives to use, which lets you reserve drives for NetBackup backup or restore operations. Specify the number of drives by using the `-drv_cnt` *drive\_count* option.

## About the media vmphyinv mounts

The `vmphyinv` command accepts several options for the media to be mounted, as follows:

- NetBackup robot number (`-rn robot_number`).  
The `vmphyinv` utility obtains a list of volume records for that robot and inventories each of the media in the list.  
To use this option, the NetBackup configuration must contain a volume record that corresponds to the robot number in the EMM database for the robot.
- NetBackup robot number with filter options.  
If you do not want to inventory all of the media in a robot, specify a subset of the media by using filter options. Some filter options are volume pool, volume group, or slot range. To use these options, NetBackup volume records must exist.  
The following are some filter examples.

<code>vmphyinv -rn 4 -pn bear</code>	Mounts the media only in robot 4 and in the volume pool bear.
<code>vmphyinv -rn 2 -v moon</code>	Mounts the media in robot 2 and in the volume group moon.
<code>vmphyinv -rn 1 -rcl 2 -number 3</code>	Mounts the media in robot 1 and slot range 2 to 4.
<code>vmphyinv -rn 5 -pn NetBackup -v mars -rcl 2 -number 6</code>	Mounts the media in robot 5, slot range 2 to 7, in volume group mars, and in the NetBackup volume pool.

- NetBackup robot number and a list of media that belong to a specific robot.  
For example, if the `-rn robot_number` and `-ml A00001:A00002:A00003` options are specified, only the three specified media are inventoried. If any of these media do not belong to the specified robot, the media are skipped and are not inventoried. To use this option, NetBackup volume records must exist.

- NetBackup robot number and a slot range or list.

Sometimes, media from a different robot or some other source are moved to a robot and the media ID on the tape is unknown. In these cases, specify a slot range option or list option.

With these options, the NetBackup volume record does not need to exist in the EMM database. However, you must specify the density (using the `-d` option).

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**Note:** For a robot that supports multiple media types, specify the density carefully. If you specify the incorrect density, `vmphyinv` cannot complete the mount and permanent drive failure can occur.

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The following are some filter examples.

```
vmphyinv -rn 1 -slot_range 2 10 -d dlt
```

Mounts the media in slot range 2 to 10 in robot 1.

```
vmphyinv -rn 0 -slot_list 3:4:5 -d 8mm
```

Mounts the media in slots 3, 4, and 5 in robot 0.

```
vmphyinv -rn 2 -slot_range 2 4 -slot_list 5:6:7 -d dlt
```

Mounts the media in slots 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 in robot 2.

## How `vmphyinv` mounts the media and reads the tape header

The following sequence of operations explains the mount process:

- The `vmphyinv` utility contacts the NetBackup Volume Manager, `vmmd`, on the local host or remote host depending on where the drive is attached.
- The NetBackup Volume Manager starts a process, `oprdr`.
- The `vmphyinv` utility communicates with `oprdr` and sends the mount request to `oprdr`. After `oprdr` receives the request, it issues a mount request to `ltid`.
- The `vmphyinv` utility reads the tape header to determine the recorded media ID or globally unique identifier (GUID). GUID is an identifier used by Symantec Backup Exec.

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**Note:** The default mount timeout is 15 minutes. Specify a different mount time by using the `-mount_timeout` option.

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See [“About media that `vmphyinv` does not recognize”](#) on page 463.

See [“How `vmphyinv` processes cleaning media”](#) on page 463.

## About media that `vmphyinv` does not recognize

If the media is not NetBackup media or Backup Exec media, the media is unmounted and the next media is mounted. `vmphyinv` does not generate a new record in the EMM database. To generate volume records for that media, use the `vmupdate` command.

## How `vmphyinv` processes cleaning media

If the following conditions are all true, `vmphyinv` does not try to mount the media and the next media in the list is mounted:

- You do not specify the `vmphyinv` slot range or list option.
- The robot contains cleaning media.
- The media type is specified as cleaning media in the volume record (such as `4mm_clean` or `dlt_clean`).

If the robot contains cleaning media and any of the following conditions are true, `vmphyinv` tries to determine if the media is cleaning media:

- You use the slot range or list option and the media type of volume record in the EMM database is not a cleaning media type.
- You use the slot range or list option, and the EMM database does not contain a volume record that corresponds to the cleaning media.
- You do not use the slot range or list option, and the EMM database does not contain a volume record that corresponds to the cleaning media.

The `vmphyinv` utility tries to determine if the media is cleaning media. It uses the SCSI parameters (sense keys, tape alert flags, and physical (SCSI) media types) returned by the robot. If `vmphyinv` cannot determine if the media is cleaning media, it tries to mount the media until the mount request times out.

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**Note:** NetBackup may not detect the presence of cleaning media for all drives. Some drives report the presence of cleaning media in a manner NetBackup cannot read.

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## How `vmphyinv` updates the EMM database

After all the media are mounted and the tape headers are read, `vmphyinv` displays a list of recommended changes. Accept or reject the changes. If you accept the changes, `vmphyinv` updates the EMM database.

Table 9-16 vmphyinv criteria and actions

Criteria or action	Description
The vmphyinv update criteria	<p>For valid media types, vmphyinv performs the following actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Changes the residence fields and description fields of any NetBackup media record if those fields do not match the media header. The description field is changed only if the media is Symantec Backup Exec media.</li><li>■ Conditionally changes the media type of an unassigned NetBackup volume record. The media type is changed only if the new media type belongs to the same family of media types as the old media type. For example, the media type DLT can only be changed to DLT2 or DLT3.</li><li>■ Never changes the volume pool, media type, and ADAMM_GUID of an assigned record.</li><li>■ Never unassigns an assigned NetBackup volume.</li></ul>
How vmphyinv updates NetBackup media	<p>The vmphyinv utility searches the EMM database. It checks if the media ID from the tape is present in the media ID field of any record in the EMM database. If the media ID exists, vmphyinv updates the NetBackup volume record that corresponds to the media ID. If the media ID does not exist, vmphyinv creates a new NetBackup volume record that corresponds to the NetBackup media.</p>

Table 9-16 vmphyinv criteria and actions (continued)

Criteria or action	Description
How vmphyinv updates Backup Exec media	<p>The vmphyinv utility searches the EMM database. It checks if the media GUID from the tape is present in the ADAMM_GUID field of any record in the EMM database. If the media GUID exists, vmphyinv updates the NetBackup record that contains the GUID. If a media GUID does not exist, vmphyinv creates a new NetBackup record that corresponds to the Backup Exec media. vmphyinv may use an existing NetBackup volume record if the record does not correspond to any media in the tape library.</p> <p>For each NetBackup volume record, vmphyinv does the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the NetBackup record, updates the ADAMM_GUID field with the GUID and the Description field with the Backup Exec cartridge label in the tape header.</li> <li>■ Adds the media ID of the NetBackup record to the EMM database (if not already present). Each record is assigned to NetBackup (if not already assigned) and its state is set to Frozen in the EMM database.</li> <li>■ Changes the volume pool of the unassigned NetBackup volume records that are associated with Backup Exec media to the Backup Exec pool. If the Backup Exec pool does not exist, vmphyinv creates it.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> If a MEDIA_ID_PREFIX entry is not specified in the vm.conf file, NetBackup uses BE as the default prefix for Backup Exec media.</p>

Table 9-16 vmphyinv criteria and actions (continued)

Criteria or action	Description
vmphyinv error cases	<p>The <code>vmphyinv</code> utility may not be able to update the EMM database correctly in the following cases. These cases are reported as errors.</p> <p>If any of the following cases are encountered, you must intervene to continue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Duplicate media IDs are found. Two or more media in the same robot have the same media ID.</li><li>■ A NetBackup volume record that belongs to a different robot is found. It contains the same media ID as the media ID read from the tape header.</li><li>■ The media type, media GUID, or volume pool of an assigned volume record needs to be changed.</li><li>■ The bar code of an existing volume record needs to be changed.</li></ul>

## Example volume configuration updates

The following examples show different types of volume configuration updates. The examples include only the relevant volume attributes.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 1: Removing a volume from a robot”](#) on page 467.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 2: Adding existing stand-alone volumes to a robot”](#) on page 468.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 3: Moving existing volumes within a robot”](#) on page 470.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 4: Adding new volumes to a robot”](#) on page 471.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 5: Adding cleaning tapes to a robot”](#) on page 473.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 6: Moving existing volumes between robots”](#) on page 474.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 7: Adding existing volumes when bar codes are not used”](#) on page 475.

## Volume Configuration Example 1: Removing a volume from a robot

The following is an example of how to remove a volume from a robotic library. It does not matter whether the robot supports bar codes.

The following are the attributes for media ID 800001:

media ID	800001
media type	8MM cartridge tape
bar code	TL800001
media description	tl8 backup volume
volume pool	NetBackup
robot type	TL8 - Tape Library 8MM
volume group	EXB220
max mounts allowed	0 (unlimited)

Assume that you remove the volume from the robotic library, specify the following on the **Media Settings** tab, then run the update:

media type	DEFAULT
volume group	NONROB_8MM
volume pool	DEFAULT

The resulting volume attributes for media ID 800001 are as follows:

media ID	800001
media type	8MM cartridge tape
bar code	TL800001
media description	tl8 backup volume
volume pool	NetBackup
robot type	NONE - Not Robotic
volume group	NONROB_8MM

max mounts            0 (unlimited)  
allowed

The new residence information in the EMM database shows a stand-alone location in the volume group. The volume group is specified on the **Media Settings** tab. The media type and volume pool remain unchanged.

The results are the same for a volume that does not have a bar code.

## Volume Configuration Example 2: Adding existing stand-alone volumes to a robot

The following is an example of how to add a stand-alone volume that has a bar code to a robotic library that supports bar codes (TL8).

When you move volumes from one robot to another robot, perform separate updates.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 6: Moving existing volumes between robots”](#) on page 474.

The following are the volume attributes for media ID 800021, which has a readable bar code and already exists as a stand-alone volume:

media ID                800021

media type              8MM cartridge tape

bar code                TL800021

media description      8MM stand-alone

volume pool             None

robot type               None (stand-alone)

volume group            NONROB\_8MM

max mounts              0 (unlimited)  
allowed

Assume that you insert the volume into a TL8 robot, specify the following on the **Media Settings** tab, then run the update:

media type              DEFAULT

volume group            EXB220



use bar code rules    YES (selected)

volume pool            NetBackup

Assume that the bar code rules in [Table 9-17](#) exist.

**Table 9-17**            Example bar code rules

bar code tag	Media type	Volume pool	Max mounts/ cleanings	Description
CLND	DLT_CLN	None	30	dlt cleaning
CLN8	8MM_CLN	None	20	8mm cleaning
TL8	8MM	NetBackup	0	tl8 backup
DLT	DLT	d_pool	200	dlt backup
TS	8MM	None	0	8mm no pool
<NONE>	DEFAULT	None	0	no bar code
<DEFAULT>	DEFAULT	NetBackup	0	other bar codes

NetBackup recognizes that the media ID exists and changes the EMM database to reflect the new robotic location. NetBackup does not create a new media ID.

The volume attributes for media ID 800021 are as follows:

media ID                800021

media type            8MM cartridge tape

bar code                TL800021

media description    8MM stand-alone

volume pool            NONE

robot type             TL8 - Tape Library 8MM

robot number          0

robot slot             1

robot host             shark

volume group          EXB220

max mounts            0 (unlimited)  
allowed

The bar code matches the bar code of an existing stand-alone volume in the configuration. Therefore, NetBackup updates the residence information in the EMM database to reflect the new robotic location. Because the volume is not new, bar code rules are ignored.

The only setting used on the **Media Settings** tab is the volume group for added or moved volumes. The media type setting was not used because this example was for a single existing volume that already had a media type.

## Volume Configuration Example 3: Moving existing volumes within a robot

The following is an example of how to move a volume from one slot to another slot within the same robot. The robot supports bar codes and the volume has a readable bar code.

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**Note:** To move volumes within a robotic library, use **Update volume configuration** only if the robotic library supports bar codes and the volumes have readable bar codes. Otherwise, NetBackup cannot properly recognize the move.

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The following are the attributes for media ID 800002, which currently resides in slot 1 of the robotic library:

media ID	800002
media type	8MM cartridge tape
bar code	TL800002
media description	tl8 backup
volume pool	NetBackup
robot type	TL8 - Tape Library 8MM
robot number	0
robot slot	1
robot host	shark
volume group	EXB220

max mounts allowed	0 (unlimited)
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Assume that you move the volume to empty slot 10, specify the following on the **Media Settings** tab, then run the update.

media type	DEFAULT
volume group	EXB220
use bar code rules	NO (not selected)
volume pool	DEFAULT

The resulting volume attributes are the following:

media ID	800002
media type	8MM cartridge tape
bar code	TL800002
media description	tl8 backup
volume pool	NetBackup
robot type	TL8 - Tape Library 8MM
robot number	0
robot slot	10
robot host	shark
volume group	EXB220
max mounts allowed	0 (unlimited)

The updated volume attributes show the new slot number, but all other information is unchanged.

## Volume Configuration Example 4: Adding new volumes to a robot

The following is an example of how to add new volumes with bar codes to a robot that supports bar codes.

Assume the following:

- The new volume is an 8MM tape with a readable bar code of TL800002.
- No media generation rules are defined.
- The drives in the robot all have a drive type of 8MM or no drives are configured on the robot control host.

Specify the following on the **Media Settings** tab and run the update:

Media type            DEFAULT

Volume group        EXB2220

Use bar code rules YES (selected)

Volume pool          DEFAULT

Table 9-18 contains the example bar code rules.

Table 9-18            Example bar code rules

Bar code tag	Media type	Volume pool	Max mounts/ cleanings	Description
CLND	DLT_CLN	None	30	dlt cleaning
CLN8	8MM_CLN	None	20	8mm cleaning
TL8	8MM	NetBackup	0	tl8 backup
DLT	DLT	d_pool	200	dlt backup
TS	8MM	None	0	8mm no pool
<NONE>	DEFAULT	None	0	no bar code

The bar code on the media matches the bar code rule named TL8 and the resulting volume attributes for the new volume are as follows:

**Media ID**            800002

**Media type**        8MM cartridge tape

**Bar code**            TL800002

**Media description** tl8 backup

**Volume pool**        NetBackup

**Robot type**        TL8 - Tape Library 8MM

**Robot number**      0

**Robot slot**        1

**Robot host**        shark

**Volume group**      EXB220

**Maximum mounts allowed**   0 (unlimited)

No media ID generation rules exist. Therefore, the media ID is from the last six characters of the bar code. The new residence information in the EMM database shows the robot host, robot type, robot number, slot, and host. The volume group is from the **Media Settings** tab. The volume pool and the max mounts allowed are from the bar code rule.

If bar code rules (or bar codes) are not used, the media description, volume pool, and max mounts allowed are set to the following defaults:

**Media description**   Added by NetBackup

**Volume pool**         NetBackup for data tapes or None for cleaning tapes

**Max mounts**         0 (unlimited)

**Note:** If the robot does not support bar codes or the bar code is unreadable, specify a Media ID prefix on the **Media Settings** tab. Alternatively, specify DEFAULT for the media ID. If you do not, NetBackup does not add new media IDs.

## Volume Configuration Example 5: Adding cleaning tapes to a robot

A special case exists when you add cleaning tapes. For example, assume that you update a TLD robot.

The tapes you inserted include regular tapes with bar codes that range from DLT00000 to DLT00010 and a cleaning tape with a bar code of CLN001.

Table 9-19 contains the example bar code rules:

**Table 9-19**            Example bar code rules

Bar code tag	Media type	Volume pool	Max mounts/ cleanings	Description
CLN	DLT_CLN	None	30	dlt cleaning

Table 9-19            Example bar code rules (continued)

Bar code tag	Media type	Volume pool	Max mounts/ cleanings	Description
DL	DLT	d_pool	200	dlt backup
<NONE>	DEFAULT	None	0	no bar code

Specify the following on the **Media Settings** tab, then run the update.

media type            DLT

volume group        STK7430

use bar code rules   YES (selected)

The bar codes on the regular tapes match the DL bar code rule. The media type of the DL bar code rule matches the Media type on the **Media Settings** tab. The tapes are added as DLT.

The cleaning tape matches the CLN bar code rule. NetBackup recognizes that DLT\_CLN is the cleaning tape for DLT. NetBackup adds the cleaning tape CLN001 as DLT\_CLN type media along with the regular volumes.

This example shows NetBackup’s ability to add cleaning cartridges along with regular volumes when you use Update volume configuration.

If the volumes you insert include a cleaning tape, NetBackup adds the volumes correctly if the following are true:

- The Media type on the **Media Settings** tab is the regular media (DLT in this example).
- The bar code on the volume matches a bar code tag (CLN in this example).
- The media type for the bar code rule is the correct cleaning media (DLT\_CLN in this example).

To add only cleaning media, specify the cleaning media type on the **Media Settings** tab and in the bar code rule (DLT\_CLN in this example).

## Volume Configuration Example 6: Moving existing volumes between robots

When you move volumes from one robot to another and the volumes in both robots are in the same EMM database, perform two separate updates.

These updates move the volumes to stand alone, as an intermediate step, and then to the new robot. Otherwise, NetBackup is unable to update the entries and you receive an "Update request failed" error.

This example assumes that robot 2 is able to read bar codes and the volume has readable bar codes. If not, NetBackup cannot manage the volumes.

See [“Volume Configuration Example 7: Adding existing volumes when bar codes are not used”](#) on page 475.

To move existing volumes between robots, use the following process:

- Remove the volume from robot 1 and insert the volume in robot 2.
- Perform an Update volume configuration on robot 1. This action updates the volume attributes to show the volume as stand-alone.
- Perform an Update volume configuration on robot 2. This action updates the configuration to show the volume in robot 2.

## Volume Configuration Example 7: Adding existing volumes when bar codes are not used

This example is not recommended and is included only to illustrate the undesirable results.

The following is an example of how to add an existing stand-alone volume to a TL4 robot. A TL4 robot supports media inventory (detects media presence), but not bar codes.

The following are the attributes for media ID 400021, which already exists as a stand-alone volume:

media ID	400021
media type	4MM cartridge tape
bar code	-----
media description	4MM stand-alone
volume pool	None
robot type	NONE - Not Robotic
volume group	NONROB_4MM
max mounts allowed	0 (unlimited)

Assume that you insert the volume into the robot, specify the following on the **Media Settings** tab, and run the update:

media type	DEFAULT
volume group	00_000_TL4
media ID prefix	C4
volume pool	DEFAULT

The resulting volume attributes are as follows:

media ID	C40000
media type	4MM cartridge tape
bar code	-----
media description	Added by NetBackup
volume pool	NetBackup
robot type	TL4 - Tape Library 4MM
robot number	0
robot slot	1
robot host	shark
volume group	00_000_TL4
max mounts allowed	0 (unlimited)

Note that NetBackup assigned a new media ID to the volume (C40000). This undesired result occurs if you use **Update volume configuration** and the volumes do not contain readable bar codes or the robot does not support bar codes. Without a bar code, NetBackup cannot identify the volume and assumes that it is new. The media ID C40000 is generated from the media ID prefix specified on the **Media Settings** tab.

The old media ID (400021) remains in the configuration. The information for the new media ID (C40000) shows the robotic location, which includes the robot host, robot type, number, slot, and host. The volume group and volume pool are configured according to the **Media Settings** tab selections. The maximum mounts allowed is set to the default (0).

For this situation, use the physical inventory utility.



See [“About the vmphyinv physical inventory utility”](#) on page 458.



# Configuring disk storage

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Configuring BasicDisk storage](#)
- [About configuring disk pool storage](#)
- [About SharedDisk support in NetBackup 7.0 and later](#)

## Configuring BasicDisk storage

A BasicDisk type storage unit consists of a directory on locally-attached disk or network-attached disk that is exposed as a file system to a NetBackup media server. NetBackup stores backup data in the specified directory.

No special configuration is required for BasicDisk storage. The directory is specified when the storage unit is configured.

See [“Creating a storage unit”](#) on page 485.

## About configuring disk pool storage

You can configure disk pools if you license a NetBackup feature that uses disk pools.

For more information, see the NetBackup online Help or the following guides:

- *The NetBackup AdvancedDisk Storage Solutions Guide.*
- *The NetBackup Cloud Administrator's Guide.*
- *The NetBackup Deduplication Guide.*
- *The NetBackup OpenStorage Solutions Guide for Disk.*
- *The NetBackup Replication Director Solutions Guide.*

## About SharedDisk support in NetBackup 7.0 and later

The SharedDisk option is not supported beginning with the NetBackup 7.0 release.

You can use a NetBackup 7.0 or later master server to configure, manage, and operate SharedDisk on NetBackup 6.5 media servers.

For information about using SharedDisk, see the documentation for your NetBackup 6.5 release.

With these changes, the following behavior is to be expected in NetBackup 7.0:

- All configuration attempts to a SharedDisk storage server on a 7.0 or later media server fail with a `storage server not found error`.
- All read or write requests to a SharedDisk disk pool use 6.5 media servers only. If no 6.5 media servers are available, the requests fail.
- If you upgrade a 6.5 SharedDisk media server to 7.0 or later, NetBackup marks the storage servers as DOWN. It no longer functions as a SharedDisk storage server.

To ensure that the media server is not considered for SharedDisk jobs, do one of the following: Restart the Enterprise Media Manager service after the upgrade or remove the storage server from all disk pools and then delete it.

- You can delete the SharedDisk disk pools and the SharedDisk storage servers that reside on 7.0 and later media servers. However, all delete operations on images fail. To delete images, do the following:

- Expire the images and delete them from the catalog by using one of the following `bpexpdate` commands:

```
bpexpdate -backupid backupid -d 0 -nodelete
```

With this command, NetBackup does not run an image cleanup job. You can use **NetBackup Management > Catalog** to determine the *backupid*.

```
bpexpdate -backupid backupid -d 0 -force
```

With this command, NetBackup attempts an image cleanup job. It fails with error 174; you can ignore the error. You can use **NetBackup Management > Catalog** to determine the *backupid*.

```
bpexpdate -stype SharedDisk
```

With this command, NetBackup attempts an image cleanup job. It fails with error 174; you can ignore the error.

- Delete the fragments of the expired images by using the following command:
- ```
nbdelete -allvolumes -force
```

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**Note:** Symantec recommends that you use solutions other than SharedDisk. The AdvancedDisk storage option is another solution.

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# Configuring storage units

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About the Storage utility](#)
- [Creating a storage unit](#)
- [About storage unit settings](#)

## About the Storage utility

The data that is generated from a NetBackup job is recorded into a type of storage that NetBackup recognizes.

NetBackup recognizes the following storage configurations, all of which are configured in the **Storage** utility:

- **Storage units**  
A storage unit is a label that NetBackup associates with physical storage. The label can identify a robot, a path to a volume, or a disk pool. Storage units can be included as part of a storage unit group or a storage lifecycle policy.  
See [“Creating a storage unit”](#) on page 485.
- **Storage unit groups**  
Storage unit groups let you identify multiple storage units as belonging to a single group. The NetBackup administrator configures how the storage units are selected within the group when a backup or a snapshot job runs.  
See [“About storage unit groups”](#) on page 529.
- **Storage lifecycle policies**  
Storage lifecycle policies let the administrator create a storage plan for all of the data in a backup or snapshot.  
See [“About storage lifecycle policies”](#) on page 539.

A NetBackup administrator must define storage with the **Storage** utility before a backup or a snapshot job can run successfully.

## Using the Storage utility

### To use the storage utility

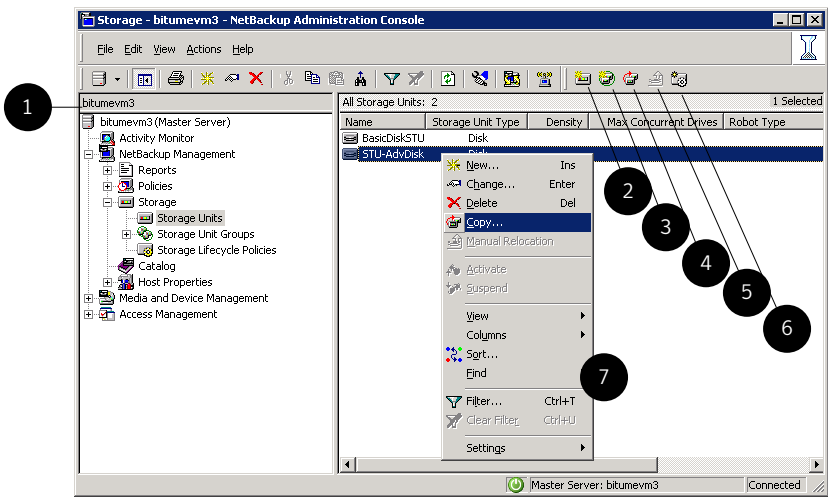
- ◆ In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Storage > Storage Units**, **Storage Unit Groups**, or **Storage Lifecycle Policies**.

The storage destinations that were created for the selected server are displayed in the right pane.

The storage configuration can be displayed for other master servers.

See [“Accessing remote servers”](#) on page 965.

**Figure 11-1** Storage Unit node of the Storage utility



**Table 11-1** Storage Unit utility

| Number | Description                                                                                                              |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1      | Currently selected master server.                                                                                        |
| 2      | Click to create a new storage unit.<br>See <a href="#">“About storage unit settings”</a> on page 497.                    |
| 3      | Click to create a new storage unit group.<br>See <a href="#">“Creating storage unit groups for backups”</a> on page 530. |



**Table 11-1** Storage Unit utility (*continued*)

| Number | Description                                                                                                                           |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4      | Click to copy a storage unit.<br>See <a href="#">“Creating a storage unit by copying a storage unit”</a> on page 487.                 |
| 5      | Click to initiate a data management job when using basic disk staging.<br>See <a href="#">“About basic disk staging”</a> on page 515. |
| 6      | Click to create a new storage lifecycle policy.<br>See <a href="#">“Creating a storage lifecycle policy”</a> on page 540.             |
| 7      | Right-click in the right pane to view the shortcut menu.                                                                              |

## Creating a storage unit

A storage unit is a label that NetBackup associates with physical storage. The label can identify a robot, a path to a volume, or a disk pool. Storage unit creation is part of several other wizards. However, a storage unit can be created directly from the **Storage** utility in the **NetBackup Administration Console**.

### To create a storage unit

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select the **Storage** utility.
- 2 Select **Actions > New > New Storage Unit**.
- 3 Enter a **Storage unit name**.  
See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.
- 4 Select the **Storage unit type**. The selection specifies the type of storage that the storage unit uses: **Media Manager**, **Disk**, or **NDMP**.
- 5 For disk storage units:

- Select a disk type from the **Disk type** drop-down menu.  
The **Disk type** identifies the type of storage unit destination:

AdvancedDisk storage units The destination is a disk pool.

BasicDisk storage units The destination is a path to a volume on a host.

NDMP storage The destination is an NDMP host. The NDMP protocol is used to perform backups and recoveries.

|                           |                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| OpenStorage storage units | The destination is a disk pool.                                                                                           |
| PureDisk storage unit     | The destination is a disk pool.                                                                                           |
| SharedDisk storage units  | The destination is a disk pool.<br>See <a href="#">“About SharedDisk support in NetBackup 7.0 and later”</a> on page 480. |
| SnapVault storage         | The destination is a SnapVault server.                                                                                    |

- Select a media server in the **Media server** drop-down menu. The selection indicates that the media server has permission to write to the storage unit.
  - **Absolute pathname to directory** or **Absolute pathname to volume setting**.  
See [“Absolute pathname to directory or absolute pathname to volume setting for storage units”](#) on page 497.
  - **Maximum concurrent jobs**  
See [“Maximum concurrent jobs storage unit setting”](#) on page 501.
  - **Reduce fragment size**  
See [“Reduce fragment size storage unit setting”](#) on page 508.
  - **High water mark**  
See [“High water mark storage unit setting”](#) on page 499.
  - **Low water mark**  
See [“Low water mark storage unit setting”](#) on page 500.
  - **Enable block sharing**  
See [“Enable block sharing storage unit setting”](#) on page 499.
  - **Enable Temporary staging area**  
See [“Enable temporary staging area storage unit setting”](#) on page 511.
- 6 For Media Manager storage units, data is written to tape robots and stand-alone tape drives:.
- Select a storage device from the **Storage Device** drop-down menu.
  - Select a media server in the **Media server** drop-down menu. The selection indicates that the media server has permission to write to the storage unit.
  - **Maximum concurrent write drives**

See [“Maximum concurrent write drives storage unit setting”](#) on page 500.

■ **Enable multiplexing**

See [“Enable multiplexing storage unit setting”](#) on page 499.

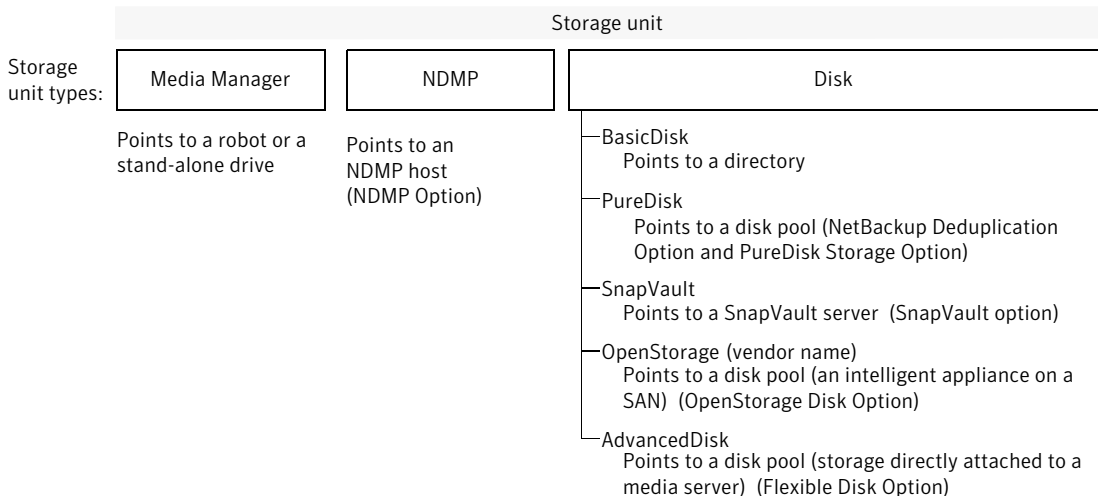
■ **Reduce fragment size**

See [“Reduce fragment size storage unit setting”](#) on page 508.

**7** Click **OK** to save the storage unit configuration.

[Figure 11-2](#) shows the different storage unit types and the option that needs to be installed, if necessary.

**Figure 11-2** Storage unit types



## Creating a storage unit by copying a storage unit

The following procedure describes how to create a storage unit by copying a storage unit.

**To create a storage unit by copying an existing storage unit**

- 1** In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Storage**.
- 2** In the right pane, select a storage unit.
- 3** Click **Actions > Copy Storage Unit**.
- 4** Complete the fields in the **Copy Storage Unit** dialog box.

See [“About storage unit settings”](#) on page 497.

## Changing storage unit settings

Symantec suggests that changes be made only during periods when no backup activity is expected for the policies that use the affected storage units.

### To change storage unit settings

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Storage**.
- 2 In the right pane, double-click the storage unit you want to change.
- 3 Complete the fields on the **Change Storage Unit** dialog box.

## Deleting storage units

To delete a storage unit from a NetBackup configuration means to delete the label that NetBackup associates with the physical storage.

Deleting a storage unit does not prevent files from being restored that were written to that storage unit, provided that the storage was not physically removed and the backup image has not expired.

### To delete a BasicDisk or Media Manager storage unit

- 1 Use the **Catalog** utility to expire any images that exist on the storage unit. This action removes the image from the NetBackup catalog.

See [“Expiring backup images”](#) on page 859.

- Do not manually remove images from the BasicDisk or Media Manager storage unit.
- Once the images are expired, they cannot be restored unless the images are imported.

See [“About importing backup images”](#) on page 860.

NetBackup automatically deletes any image fragments from a disk storage unit or a disk pool. This deletion generally occurs within seconds of expiring an image. However, to make sure that all of the fragments are deleted, check the directory on the storage unit to make sure that it is empty.

- 2 Select **Storage > Storage Units**.
- 3 In the right pane, select the storage unit you want to delete. Hold down the **Control** or **Shift** key to select multiple storage units.
- 4 Select **Edit > Delete**.
- 5 In the confirmation dialog box, select the storage units to delete.

- 6 Click **OK**.
- 7 Modify any policy that uses a deleted storage unit to use another storage unit.  
 If a storage unit points to disk pool, the storage unit can be deleted without affecting the disk pool.

## Media Manager storage unit considerations

To create a storage unit of a tape robot or a stand-alone tape drive, select Media Manager as the **Storage unit type**.

See [“About storage unit settings”](#) on page 497.

**Figure 11-3** Media Manager storage unit settings

The screenshot shows the 'Change Storage Unit' dialog box with the following settings:

- Storage unit name:** orbiter-hcart2-robot-tld-0
- Storage unit type:** Media Manager (selected from a dropdown menu). The **On demand only** checkbox is unchecked.
- Disk type:** (empty dropdown menu)
- Properties section:**
  - Storage device:** tld(0) - hcart2 (selected from a dropdown menu)
  - Robot type:** TLD - Tape Library DLT
  - Density:** hcart2 - 1/2 Inch Cartridge 2
  - Robot number:** 0
  - Media server:** orbiter (selected from a dropdown menu)
  - Maximum concurrent write drives:** 2 (selected from a spinner box)
  - Reduce fragment size to:** 1048576 (selected from a spinner box) Megabytes
  - Enable Multiplexing:** (unchecked checkbox)
  - Maximum streams per drive:** 1 (selected from a spinner box)
- Buttons:** OK, Cancel, Help

When NetBackup sends a job to a Media Manager storage unit, it requests resources from the Enterprise Media Manager (EMM). Then NetBackup requests that Media Manager mount the volume in a drive.

If a stand-alone drive does not contain media or if a required volume is not available to a robot, a mount request appears in the **Pending Requests** pane of the Device Monitor. An operator can then find the volume, mount it manually, and assign it to the drive.

Take the following items into consideration when adding a Media Manager storage unit:

- Where to add the storage unit depends on which version of NetBackup is in use.
  - If using NetBackup Enterprise Server, add the storage unit to the master server. Specify the media server where the drives attach.
  - If using NetBackup Server, add the storage unit to the master server where the drives attach. The robotic control must also attach to that server.
- The number of storage units that you must create for a robot depends on the robot's drive configuration.
  - Drives with identical densities must share the same storage unit on the same media server. If a robot contains two drives of the same density on the same media server, add only a single storage unit for the robot. Set the **Maximum concurrent write drives** setting to 2.  
See [“Maximum concurrent write drives storage unit setting”](#) on page 500.
  - Drives with different densities must be in separate storage units. Consider an STK SL500 library that is configured as a Tape Library DLT (TLD). It can have both half-inch cartridge and DLT drives. Here, you must define a separate storage unit for each density.
  - Applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server. If a robot's drives and robotic control attach to different NetBackup servers, specify the server where the drives attach as the media server. Always specify the same robot number for the drives as is used for the robotic control.
- Stand-alone drives with identical densities must be in the same storage unit. If a server contains two 1/4-inch qscsi drives, add a storage unit with **Maximum concurrent write drives** set to 2. The media and device selection logic chooses the drive to use when NetBackup sends a backup to this storage unit. The logic is part of the Enterprise Media Management (`nbemm`) daemon.
- Stand-alone drives with different densities must be in different storage units.
- A robot and a stand-alone drive cannot be in the same storage unit.

## Disk storage unit considerations

NetBackup permits the creation of an unlimited number of disk storage units.

[Table 11-2](#) describes the different disk types that NetBackup can use as disk media.

**Table 11-2** Disk media descriptions

| Type of disk storage unit | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| BasicDisk                 | <p>A BasicDisk type storage unit consists of a directory on a locally-attached disk or a network-attached disk that is exposed as a file system to a NetBackup media server. NetBackup stores backup data in the specified directory.</p> <p>Notes about the BasicDisk type storage unit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Do not include the same volume or file system in multiple BasicDisk storage units.</li><li>■ BasicDisk storage units cannot be used in a storage lifecycle policy.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| AdvancedDisk              | <p>An AdvancedDisk disk type storage unit is used for a dedicated disk that is directly attached to a NetBackup media server. An AdvancedDisk selection is available only when the Flexible Disk Option is licensed.</p> <p>NetBackup assumes exclusive ownership of the disk resources that comprise an AdvancedDisk disk pool. If the resources are shared with other users, NetBackup cannot manage disk pool capacity or storage lifecycle policies correctly.</p> <p>For AdvancedDisk, the NetBackup media servers function as both data movers and storage servers.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup AdvancedDisk Storage Solutions Guide</i>.</p>                                                                                                                                        |
| OpenStorage               | <p>An OpenStorage disk type storage unit is used for disk storage, usually provided by a third part vendor. The actual name of the disk type depends on the vendor. An OpenStorage selection is available only when the OpenStorage Disk Option is licensed.</p> <p>The storage is integrated into NetBackup through an API. The storage vendor partners with Symantec to integrate the storage into NetBackup.</p> <p>The storage host is the storage server. The NetBackup media servers function as the data movers. The storage vendor's plug-in must be installed on each media server that functions as a data mover. The logon credentials to the storage server must be configured on each media server.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup OpenStorage Solutions Guide for Disk</i>.</p> |

Table 11-2      Disk media descriptions (continued)

| Type of disk storage unit | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PureDisk                  | <p>A <b>PureDisk</b> disk type storage unit is used for deduplicated data for the following storage destinations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Media Server Deduplication Pool.</b><br/>NetBackup deduplicates the data and hosts the storage.<br/>Requires the NetBackup Deduplication Option license key.<br/>See the <i>NetBackup Deduplication Guide</i>.</li><li>■ <b>PureDisk storage pool.</b><br/>PureDisk hosts the storage. Therefore, a PureDisk environment must be configured.<br/>See the <i>NetBackup PureDisk Getting Started Guide</i><br/><br/>PureDisk storage pools are exposed to NetBackup through one of the following options:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>NetBackup Deduplication Option.</b><br/>Requires PureDisk 6.6 or later to host the storage.</li><li>■ <b>PureDisk Deduplication Option (PDDO).</b> Requires the PureDisk Storage Option license key.<br/>Requires PureDisk 6.5 or later.<br/>See the <i>NetBackup PureDisk Deduplication Option Guide</i>.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Symantec provides a recommendation about using storage unit groups for deduplication.</p> <p>PureDisk appears as a selection when the NetBackup Deduplication Option or the PureDisk Storage Option is licensed.</p> |
| SnapVault                 | <p>A SnapVault storage unit is used to store images on Network Attached Storage (NAS). The SnapVault selection is available only when the NetBackup Snapshot Client option is licensed.</p> <p>SnapVault storage units cannot be used in a storage unit group or as part of a staging operation.</p> <p>For SnapVault, the NetBackup media servers function as the data movers. The SnapVault host is the storage server.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

Not all settings are available on each disk storage unit type.

See “[About storage unit settings](#)” on page 497.

**Note:** Symantec recommends that you do not impose quotas on any file systems that NetBackup uses for disk storage units. Some NetBackup features may not work properly when file systems have quotas in place. (For example, the capacity-managed retention selection in lifecycles and staging to storage units.)



## About the disk storage model

The NetBackup model for disk storage accommodates all Enterprise Disk Options. That is, it is the model for all disk types except for the BasicDisk type.

The following items describe components of the disk storage model:

- **Data mover**  
An entity that moves data between the primary storage (the NetBackup client) and the storage server. NetBackup media servers function as data movers. Depending on the Enterprise Disk Option, a NetBackup media server also may function as a storage server.
- **Storage server**  
An entity that writes data to and reads data from the disk storage. A storage server is the entity that has a mount on the file system on the storage.  
Depending on the NetBackup option, the storage server is one of the following:
  - A computer that hosts the storage
  - A NetBackup media server
- **Disk pool**  
A collection of disk volumes that are administered as an entity. NetBackup aggregates the disk volumes into pools of storage (a disk pool) you can use for backups.  
A disk pool is a storage type in NetBackup. When you create a storage unit, you select the disk type and then you select a specific disk pool.

## Disk storage units in storage lifecycle policies

Figure 11-4 is an example of how storage lifecycle policies can interact with volumes in a disk pool that a storage unit references.

Two backup policies are created as follows:

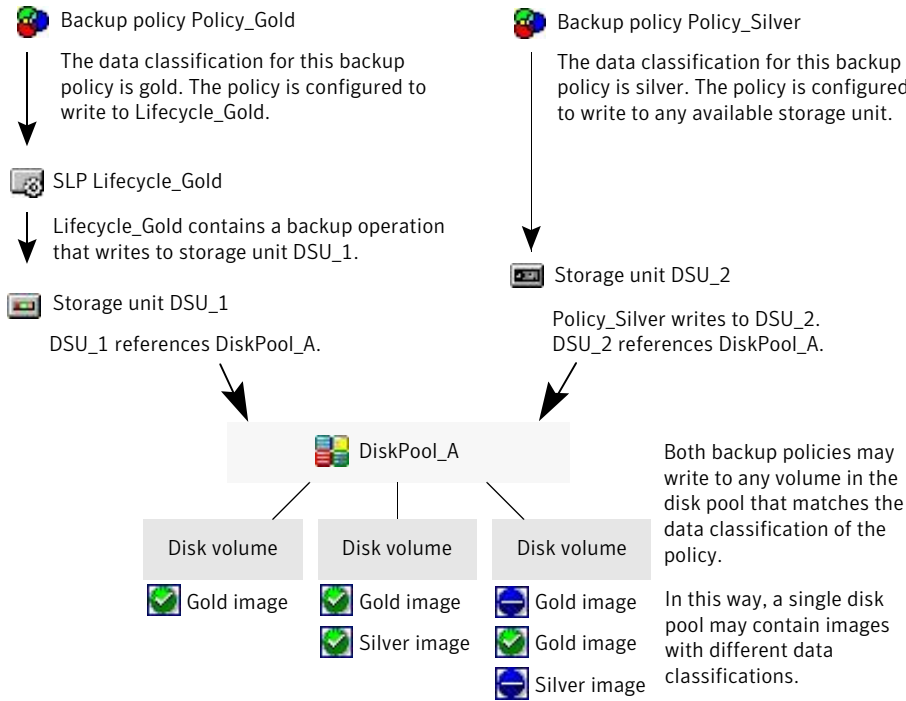
- A backup policy named Policy\_gold has a gold classification. For storage, it is configured to use an SLP named Lifecycle\_Gold, which has a gold data classification.
- A backup policy named Policy\_silver has a silver classification. For storage, it is configured to use **Any Available**. That means it can use any available storage unit or any SLP that has a silver classification.

Two storage units are available to both backup policies as follows:

- DSU\_1 is an operation in Lifecycle\_Gold and references DiskPool\_A.
- DSU\_2 is not in an SLP and references DiskPool\_A.

DiskPool\_A contains three disk volumes. Both the gold and the silver images can be written to any disk volume in the pool.

**Figure 11-4** Storage lifecycle policies and disk storage units referencing disk pools



See [“About storage lifecycle policies”](#) on page 539.

## Maintaining available disk space on disk storage units

Disk storage units can be managed so that they do not become entirely full and cause backups to fail.

Create space for more images on a disk storage unit in the following ways:

- Add new disk space.
- Set the **High water mark** to a value that best works with the size of backup images in the environment.

See [“High water mark storage unit setting”](#) on page 499.

Maintain space on basic disk staging storage units in the following ways:

- Increase the frequency of the relocation schedule. Or, add resources so that all images can be copied to a final destination storage unit in a timely manner.
- Run the `nb_updatedssu` script.

Upon NetBackup installation or upgrade, the `nb_updatedssu` script runs. The script deletes the `.ds` files that were used in previous releases as pointers to relocated data. Relocated data is tracked differently in the current release and the `.ds` files are no longer necessary. Under some circumstances, a `.ds` file cannot be deleted upon installation or upgrade. In that case, run the script again:

```
/usr/openv/netbackup/bin/goodies/nb_updatedssu
```
- Determine the potential free space.

See [“Finding potential free space on a BasicDisk disk staging storage unit”](#) on page 522.
- Monitor disk space by enabling the **Check the capacity of disk storage units** host property.

This General Server host property determines how often NetBackup checks 6.0 disk storage units for available capacity. Subsequent releases use internal methods to monitor disk space more frequently.

See [“General Server properties”](#) on page 142.

## NDMP storage unit considerations

The NetBackup for NDMP license must be installed on the media server to use the hosts as storage units. Media Manager controls NDMP storage units but the units attach to NDMP hosts.

See [“About storage unit settings”](#) on page 497.

**Figure 11-5** NDMP storage unit settings

The screenshot shows the 'New Storage Unit' dialog box with the following fields and options:

- Storage unit name:** An empty text input field.
- Storage unit type:** A dropdown menu with 'NDMP' selected. To its right is an unchecked checkbox labeled 'On demand only'.
- Disk type:** A dropdown menu with 'BasicDisk' selected.
- Properties** section:
  - Storage device:** A dropdown menu.
  - A sub-section containing three labels and values:
    - Robot type: Static
    - Density: Static
    - Robot number: Static
- NDMP Host:** A dropdown menu.
- Media Server:** A dropdown menu with '<Any Available>' selected.
- Maximum concurrent write drives:** A numeric input field with '0' entered.
- Reduce fragment size to:** An unchecked checkbox followed by a numeric input field with '1048576' entered and the unit 'Megabytes' to its right.
- Buttons:** 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help' buttons at the bottom.

Create NDMP storage units for drives directly attached to NAS filers. Any drive that is attached to a NetBackup media server is considered a Media Manager storage unit, even if used for NDMP backups.

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**Note:** Remote NDMP storage units may already be configured on a media server from a previous release. Upon upgrade of the media server, those storage units are automatically converted to Media Manager storage units.

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See the *NetBackup for NDMP Administrator's Guide* for more information.

## About storage unit settings

The following topics describe the settings that appear for all types of storage units. The settings are listed alphabetically. Each setting does not appear for each storage unit type.

### Absolute pathname to directory or absolute pathname to volume setting for storage units

**Absolute pathname to directory** or **Absolute pathname to volume** is available for any storage unit that is not based on disk pools.

The setting specifies the absolute path to a file system or a volume available for backups to disk. Enter the path directly in the field, then click **Add**. Use any location on the disk, providing that sufficient space is available.

Use platform-specific file path separators (/ and \) and colon (:) within a drive specification.

The **Properties** button displays properties for the directory or volume.

See [“Properties option in the Change Storage Units dialog box”](#) on page 507.

Do not configure multiple BasicDisk storage units to use the same volume or file system. Not only do the storage units compete for space, but different **Low water marks** can cause unexpected behaviors.

If the BasicDisk storage unit is used as a disk staging storage unit, Symantec recommends dedicating a disk partition or file system to it. Dedicating space allows the disk staging space management logic to operate successfully. Or, consider defining AdvancedDisk storage units, which use the disk pools that are composed of the disk volumes that are dedicated file systems for disk backup.

See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.

See [“Low water mark storage unit setting”](#) on page 500.

### Directory can exist on the root file system or system disk setting for storage units

When checked, this setting allows the user to specify a directory on the root file system (UNIX) or on a system drive (Windows) in the **Absolute pathname to directory** field.

When this setting is checked, the directory is created automatically.

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**Note:** With this setting checked, the root file system can fill up.

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- A job fails under the following conditions:
- If the setting is not checked, and if the directory already exists on the root file system.
  - If the setting is not checked, and the requested directory is to be created on the root file system.
- See “[Absolute pathname to directory or absolute pathname to volume setting for storage units](#)” on page 497.

## Density storage unit setting

The **Storage device** selection determines the media **Density**. This setting appears for Media Manager and NDMP storage units only.

## Disk pool storage unit setting

The following table describes which disk pools appear in the drop-down list:

|                  |                                                                                               |
|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| For AdvancedDisk | All NetBackup disk pools appear in the <b>Disk pool</b> list.                                 |
| For OpenStorage  | Only the disk pools that that the OpenStorage vendor exposes appear in the list.              |
| For PureDisk     | The media server deduplication pools and the PureDisk deduplication pools appear in the list. |

## Disk type storage unit setting

- The **Disk type** storage unit setting identifies the type of storage unit.
- A disk storage unit can be one of the following types:
- AdvancedDisk (NetBackup Flexible Disk Option needed)
  - BasicDisk
  - OpenStorage (vendor name) (NetBackup OpenStorage Disk Option needed)
  - PureDisk (NetBackup Deduplication Option or PureDisk Storage Option needed)
  - SharedDisk (NetBackup Flexible Disk Option needed)  
See “[About SharedDisk support in NetBackup 7.0 and later](#)” on page 480.
  - SnapVault (NetBackup Snapshot Client option needed).  
For information on SnapVault storage units, see the *NetBackup Snapshot Client Administrator’s Guide*.

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**Note:** The **null\_stu** storage unit type is available only when Symantec Support uses the NulOST plug-in to identify and isolate data transfer bottlenecks. The **null\_stu** storage unit type is used for troubleshooting purposes only. Do not select **null\_stu** as a storage unit type because the data that is written to a null storage unit cannot be restored.

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## Enable block sharing storage unit setting

The **Enable block sharing** storage unit setting allows the sharing of data blocks that have not changed from one backup to the next. Sharing data blocks can significantly save disk space in the storage unit.

## Enable multiplexing storage unit setting

The **Enable multiplexing** storage unit setting allows multiple backups to multiplex onto a single drive in a storage unit.

## High water mark storage unit setting

The **High water mark** storage unit setting applies to **BasicDisk** storage units and to disk pools.

The **High water mark** setting (default 98%) is a threshold that triggers the following actions:

- When an individual disk volume of the underlying storage reaches the **High water mark**, NetBackup considers the volume full. NetBackup chooses a different volume in the underlying storage to write backup images to.
- When all volumes in the underlying storage reach the **High water mark**, the **BasicDisk** storage is considered full. NetBackup fails any backup jobs that are assigned to a storage unit in which the underlying storage is full. NetBackup also does not assign new jobs to a **BasicDisk** storage unit in which the underlying storage is full.
- NetBackup begins image cleanup when a volume reaches the **High water mark**; image cleanup expires the images that are no longer valid. NetBackup again assigns jobs to the storage unit when image cleanup reduces any disk volume's capacity to less than the **High water mark**.

If the storage unit is in a capacity-managed storage lifecycle policy, other factors affect image cleanup.

See [“Capacity managed retention type for SLP operations”](#) on page 574.

See [“Maximum concurrent jobs storage unit setting”](#) on page 501.

For more information, see the following:

- *NetBackup Deduplication Guide.*
- *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II.*

## Low water mark storage unit setting

The **Low water mark** setting has no effect unless backups are written through a storage lifecycle policy, using the capacity managed retention type. NetBackup copies expired images to a final destination storage unit to create space.

Once the **High Water Mark** is reached, space is created on the disk storage unit until the **Low Water Mark** is met. The default setting is 80%.

See [“Capacity managed retention type for SLP operations”](#) on page 574.

The **Low water mark** setting cannot be greater than the **High water mark** setting.

For the disk storage units that reference disk pools, the **Low water mark** applies to the disk pool.

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**Note:** Basic disk staging storage units may already be configured on a media server of a previous release. Upon upgrade, the disk storage units are set with the **Low water mark** at 100%. To make the best use of upgraded storage units, adjust the level.

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For more information, see the following:

- *NetBackup Deduplication Guide.*
- *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II.*

## Maximum concurrent write drives storage unit setting

The **Maximum concurrent write drives** storage unit setting specifies the number of tape drives that NetBackup can use at one time for jobs to this storage unit. The number of tape drives available is limited to the maximum number of tape drives in the storage device. If a job contains multiple copies, each copy applies toward the **Maximum concurrent write drives** count.

When selecting the number of **Maximum concurrent write drives**, use the following guidelines:

- Storage unit that contains only stand-alone tape drives  
Specify a number that is less than or equal to the number of tape drives that are in the storage unit.
- Robot



Specify a number that is less than or equal to the number of tape drives that attach to the NetBackup media server for the storage unit.

Assume that you have two stand-alone drives of the same density and specify 1. Both tape drives are available to NetBackup but only one drive can be used for backups. The other tape drive is available for restores and other non-backup operations. (For example, to import, to verify, and to duplicate backups.)

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**Note:** To specify a **Maximum concurrent write drives** setting of 0 disables the storage unit.

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## Maximum concurrent jobs storage unit setting

The **Maximum concurrent jobs** storage unit setting specifies the maximum number of jobs that NetBackup can send to a disk storage unit at one time. The default setting is one job. The job count can range from 0 to 256.

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**Note:** To specify a **Maximum concurrent jobs** setting of 0 disables the storage unit.

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If three backup jobs are ready to be sent to the storage unit and **Maximum concurrent jobs** is set to two, the first two jobs start and the third job waits. If a job contains multiple copies, each copy applies toward the **Maximum concurrent jobs** count.

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**Note:** Increase the **Maximum concurrent jobs** setting if the storage unit is used for catalog backups as well as non-catalog backups. Increase the setting to ensure that the catalog backup can proceed while regular backup activity occurs. Where disk pools are used, increase the setting if more than one server is in the storage unit.

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The **Maximum concurrent jobs** setting uses and dependencies are as follows:

- Can be used to balance the load between disk storage units. A higher value (more concurrent jobs) means that the disk may be busier than if the value was set for fewer jobs.

The media server load balancing logic considers all storage units and all activity. A storage unit can indicate three media servers. If **Maximum concurrent jobs** is set to three and two of the media servers are busy or down, the third media server is assigned all three jobs.

- Depends on the available disk space and the server’s ability to run multiple backup processes. Where disk pools are used, the setting also depends on the number of media servers in the storage unit.  
If multiple storage units reference the same disk pool, the number of concurrent jobs that can access the pool is the sum of the **Maximum concurrent jobs** settings on all of the disk storage units. The setting applies to the storage unit and not to the disk pool. Therefore, the job load is automatically spread across the media servers that the storage unit configuration indicates.

See “[Impact when two disk storage units reference one disk pool](#)” on page 502.

### Impact when two disk storage units reference one disk pool

Figure 11-6 shows how the **Maximum concurrent jobs** settings are combined when two disk storage units share one disk pool.

In the example, DSU\_1 is configured as follows:

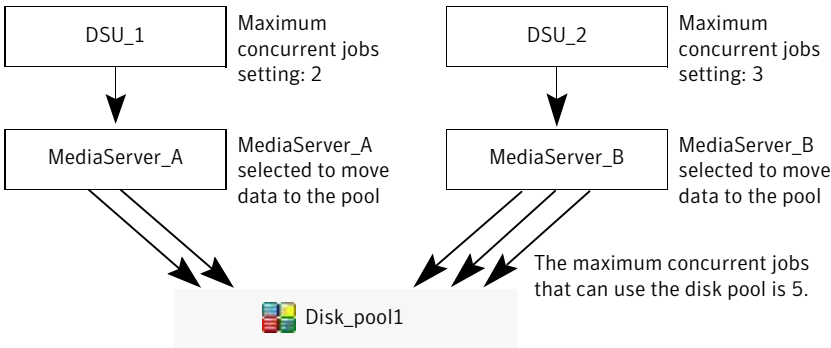
- To use MediaServer\_A
- To have a **Maximum concurrent jobs** setting of two
- To reference Disk\_pool1

DSU\_2 is configured as follows:

- To use MediaServer\_B
- To have a **Maximum concurrent jobs** setting of three
- To reference Disk\_pool1

Both storage units reference the same disk pool. Combined, the storage units have a **Maximum concurrent jobs** setting of five. However, only two jobs can run concurrently on MediaServer\_A; three on MediaServer\_B.

**Figure 11-6** Impact when disk storage units use one disk pool but different media servers



If the storage units were configured to use both media servers, the media servers could run five concurrent jobs: two from DSU\_1 and three from DSU\_2.

See [“About storage unit settings”](#) on page 497.

## Maximum streams per drive storage unit setting

The **Maximum streams per drive** storage unit setting determines the maximum number of concurrent, multiple client backups that NetBackup can multiplex onto a single drive. The range is from 2 to 32.

See [“About multiplexing”](#) on page 685.

See [“Media multiplexing \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 685.

## Media server storage unit setting

The **Media server** storage unit setting specifies one of the following:

- The NetBackup media server where the drives in the storage unit attach.
- The NetBackup media server that controls the disk storage unit.
- The NetBackup media servers that can write data to and read data from the disk pool.
- The NetBackup media servers that can move data to and from the disk pool.
- The NetBackup media servers that function as deduplication servers.

To make this storage unit available to any media server (default), select **Any Available**. NetBackup selects the media server dynamically at the time the policy is run.

Consider the following, depending on the type of storage.

**Table 11-3** Media server setting details

| Storage unit type | Considerations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| BasicDisk         | To configure a disk storage unit, select a single media server.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| AdvancedDisk      | <p>The <b>Media server</b> setting specifies the NetBackup media servers that can write data to and read data from the disk pool.</p> <p>The media servers that are configured as storage servers appear in the media servers list. The disk storage must be directly attached to the media server that is configured as the storage server.</p> <p>NetBackup selects a media server when the policy runs.</p> |

Table 11-3 Media server setting details (continued)

| Storage unit type | Considerations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NDMP              | <p>The <b>Media server</b> setting specifies the name of the media server that is to back up the NDMP host. Only those media servers that can talk to the specified NDMP storage device appear in the drop-down menu.</p> <p>An NDMP host can be authenticated on multiple media servers. Select <b>Any Available</b> to have NetBackup select the media server and storage unit at the time the policy is run.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| OpenStorage       | <p>The <b>Media server</b> setting specifies the NetBackup media servers that can move data to or from the storage server.</p> <p>To allow any media server in the media server list to move data to the storage server, check <b>Use Any Available Media Server</b>.</p> <p>To restrict the media servers that can move data to the storage server, check <b>Only Use The Following Media Servers</b>. Then select the media servers that are allowed to move the data.</p> <p>Any media server in the list can receive data from the storage server; it does not have to be selected. A media server receives data for restore jobs and for storage monitoring purposes.</p> <p>Each media server that moves the data must meet the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The vendor’s software plug-in is installed.</li><li>■ The login credentials to the storage server are configured.</li></ul> <p>Only the media servers on which storage server credentials are configured appear in the media servers list. If a server does not appear, verify that the software plug-in is installed and that login credentials are configured for that media server.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Run the <code>tpconfig</code> command line utility directly on the media server to configure and verify credentials.</p> <p>NetBackup selects a media server when the policy runs.</p> |
| SharedDisk        | <p>See “<a href="#">About SharedDisk support in NetBackup 7.0 and later</a>” on page 480.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

**Table 11-3** Media server setting details (*continued*)

| Storage unit type                                                          | Considerations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PureDisk (Media Server Deduplication Pool and PureDisk Deduplication Pool) | <p>To allow any media server in the list to deduplicate data, select <b>Use Any Available Media Server</b>.</p> <p>To restrict the media servers that can deduplicate data, select <b>Only Use The Following Media Servers</b>. Then select the media servers that are allowed to deduplicate the data.</p> <p>Each media server must be configured as a deduplication media server.</p> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Deduplication Guide</i>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| PureDisk (PureDisk Deduplication Option storage pool)                      | <p>To allow any media server in the list to access the storage (default), select <b>Use Any Available Media Server</b>.</p> <p>To restrict the media servers that can access the storage, select <b>Only Use The Following Media Servers</b>. Then select the media servers that are allowed to access the storage.</p> <p>NetBackup selects a media server when the policy runs.</p> <p>Each media server that accesses the storage must meet the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The PureDisk agent is installed.</li> <li>■ The logon credentials to the PureDisk server are configured on the media server.</li> </ul> <p>See the <i>NetBackup PureDisk Remote Office Edition Administrator's Guide</i> for the media server requirements.</p> |

See [“Use any available media server storage unit setting”](#) on page 511.

See [“Only use the following media servers storage unit setting”](#) on page 506.

## NDMP host storage unit setting

The **NDMP host** storage unit setting specifies the NDMP tape server that is used to write data to tape. Select the host name from the drop-down menu.

## On demand only storage unit setting

The **On demand only** storage unit setting specifies whether the storage unit is available exclusively on demand—that is, only when a policy or schedule is explicitly configured to use this storage unit. Uncheck **On demand only** to make the storage unit available to any policy or schedule.

For SnapVault storage units, **On demand only** is selected by default and cannot be changed.

**Note:** If **On demand only** is selected for all storage units, be sure to designate a specific storage unit for each policy or schedule. Otherwise, NetBackup is unable to find a storage unit to use.

## Only use the following media servers storage unit setting

The **Only use the following media servers** storage unit setting restricts the media servers earmarked for storage. Check this setting and select the media servers that you want to use.

The following table describes the media server functionality for each type of storage.

**Table 11-4** Media server functionality

| Media server type                                                                       | Functionality                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AdvancedDisk storage media server                                                       | The media servers are both storage servers and data movers. The media servers that are configured as the storage servers and data movers appear in the media servers list.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| OpenStorage media server                                                                | <p>The media servers that are configured as data movers for the OpenStorage implementation appear in the media server list. (For OpenStorage, NetBackup media servers function as data movers.) If a media server does not appear in the list, verify that the software plug-in is installed and that logon credentials are created.</p> <p>Each media server that accesses the storage must meet the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The vendor’s software plug-in is installed.</li><li>■ The login credentials to the storage server are configured.</li></ul> |
| PureDisk media server (media server deduplication pool and PureDisk deduplication pool) | <p>The media servers function as deduplication servers.</p> <p>NetBackup deduplication must be configured.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

**Table 11-4** Media server functionality (*continued*)

| Media server type                                                  | Functionality                                                                                                                                                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PureDisk media server (PureDisk Deduplication Option storage pool) | <p>The NetBackup media servers function as the data movers. The PureDisk Linux servers function as the storage servers.</p> <p>PureDisk Deduplication Option (PDDO) must be configured.</p> |

See [“Use any available media server storage unit setting”](#) on page 511.

See [“Only use the following media servers storage unit setting”](#) on page 506.

## Properties option in the Change Storage Units dialog box

Click **Properties** to display information about the volume or the disk pool, as follows:

**Table 11-5** Storage Units Properties

| Property                              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Available storage or Available</b> | <p>This value reflects the space that remains for storage on a disk storage unit. The following equation determines the available space:</p> $\text{Available space} = \text{free space} + \text{potential free space} - \text{committed space}$ <p>The <code>df</code> command may report a value for the available space that is slightly different from the actual free space value that appears as a result of the <code>nbdevquery</code> command:</p> <pre>nbdevquery -listdv -stype server_type -dp disk_pool</pre> <p>The available space that the <code>df</code> command lists does not include the space that the operating system reserves. Since NetBackup runs as <code>root</code>, the <code>nbdevquery</code> command includes the reserved space in the available space equation.</p> |
| <b>Capacity</b>                       | The <b>Capacity</b> value reflects the total amount of space that the disk storage unit or pool contains, both used and unused.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Disk pool comments</b>             | Comments that are associated with the disk pool.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

Table 11-5      Storage Units Properties *(continued)*

| Property          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| High water mark   | <p>The high water mark for the disk pool applies to both the individual disk volumes in the pool and the disk pool:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Individual volumes<br/>When a disk volume reaches the high water mark, new jobs are not assigned to the volume. This behavior happens for all disk types except BasicDisk staging storage units. The high water mark event triggers the deletion of images that have been relocated, attempting to bring the used capacity of the disk volume down to the low water mark.</li><li>■ Disk pool<br/>When all volumes are at the high water mark, the disk pool is full. When a disk pool approaches the high water mark, NetBackup reduces the number of jobs that are allowed to write to the pool.<br/>NetBackup does not assign new jobs to a storage unit in which the disk pool is full. The default setting is 99%.</li></ul> |
| Low water mark    | <p>The low water mark for the disk pool. Once a disk volume fills to its high water mark, NetBackup attempts to delete enough relocated images to reduce the used capacity of the disk volume down to the low water mark. The low water mark setting cannot be greater than the high water mark setting.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The <b>Low water mark</b> setting has no effect unless backups are written through a storage lifecycle policy, using the capacity-managed retention type.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Name              | The name of the disk pool.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Number of volumes | The number of disk volumes in the disk pool.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| % full            | <p>The percentage of storage that is currently in use on the volume.</p> <p>The <code>df</code> command may report a percentage used (<b>Use%</b>) value that is different from the <b>% full</b> value. (See the preceding <b>Available Storage</b> topic for a description of why the values appear differently.)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Raw size          | The raw, unformatted size of the storage in the disk pool.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Usable size       | The amount of usable storage in the disk pools.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

## Reduce fragment size storage unit setting

The **Reduce fragment size** storage unit setting specifies the largest fragment size that NetBackup can create to store backups.



Table 11-6 Maximum fragment size

| Storage unit type           | Fragment size                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Media Manager storage units | <p>The default maximum fragment size for a Media Manager storage unit is 1000 GB. To specify a maximum fragment size other than the default, check <b>Reduce fragment size</b>. Then enter a value from 50 megabytes to 1,048,575 megabytes.</p> <p>Fragmenting multiplexed tape backups can expedite restores. Fragments allow NetBackup to skip to the specific fragment before searching for a file. Generally, NetBackup starts at the beginning of the multiplexed backup and reads tar headers until it finds the file.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Disk storage units          | <p>The default maximum fragment size for a disk storage unit is 524,288 megabytes. To specify a maximum fragment size other than the default, enter a value from 20 megabytes to 524,288 megabytes.</p> <p>For media server deduplication pools and PureDisk deduplication pools, you can enter a value from 20 megabytes to 51200 megabytes.</p> <p>Backups to disk are usually fragmented to ensure that the backup does not exceed the maximum size that the file system allows.</p> <p>The <b>Reduce fragment size</b> setting is intended primarily for storing large backup images on a disk type storage unit.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> OpenStorage vendors may have special requirements for the maximum fragment size. Consult the vendor's documentation for guidance.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Basic disk staging units with different maximum fragment sizes may already be configured on a media server from a previous release. Upon upgrade, the disk storage units are not automatically increased to the new default of 524,288 megabytes. To make the best use of upgraded storage units, increase the fragment size on the upgraded storage units.</p> |

If an error occurs in a backup, the entire backup is discarded. The backup restarts from the beginning, not from the fragment where the error occurred. (An exception is for backups where checkpoint restart is enabled. In that case, fragments before and including the last checkpoint are retained; the fragments after the last checkpoint are discarded.)

## Robot number storage unit setting

The **Robot number** storage unit setting indicates the number of robots the storage unit contains. The **Storage device** selection determines the **Robot number**. It is the same robot number used in the Media Manager configuration.

## Robot type storage unit setting

The **Robot type** storage unit setting indicates the type of robot (if any) that the storage unit contains. The **Storage device** setting determines the **Robot type**.

For the specific vendor types and models that correspond to each robot type, see the Supported Peripherals section of the NetBackup Release Notes.

See [“Storage device setting for storage units”](#) on page 510.

## Staging schedule option in Change Storage Units dialog

Click the **Staging Schedule** option to configure the relocation schedule for this storage unit. A schedule is what makes the disk storage unit a basic disk staging storage unit. During the relocation schedule, the backup image is duplicated from the temporary staging area to the final destination storage unit.

See [“Disk Staging Schedule dialog box”](#) on page 523.

See [“Enable temporary staging area storage unit setting”](#) on page 511.

See [“About basic disk staging”](#) on page 515.

See [“About staging backups”](#) on page 513.

## Storage device setting for storage units

The **Storage device** list contains all possible storage devices available. Storage units can be created for the listed devices only.

The **Storage device** selection determines the media **Density**. This setting appears for Media Manager and NDMP storage units only.

## Storage unit name setting

The **Storage unit name** setting defines a unique name for the new storage unit. The name can describe the type of storage. The **Storage unit name** is the name used to specify a storage unit for policies and schedules.

The storage unit name cannot be changed after creation. The **Storage unit name** is inaccessible when changing settings for a storage unit.

See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.

## Storage unit type setting

The **Storage unit type** setting specifies the type of storage that this storage unit uses, as follows:

|               |                                                                              |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Disk          | See <a href="#">“Disk storage unit considerations”</a> on page 491.          |
| Media Manager | See <a href="#">“Media Manager storage unit considerations”</a> on page 489. |
| NDMP          | See <a href="#">“NDMP storage unit considerations”</a> on page 495.          |

Enable temporary staging area storage unit setting

The **Enable temporary staging area** storage unit setting allows this storage unit to be used as a temporary staging area. Check **Enable Temporary Staging Area** and then configure the staging schedule.

See [“Staging schedule option in Change Storage Units dialog”](#) on page 510.

The Staging column in the **Storage units** details pane indicates whether or not the unit is used as a temporary staging area for basic disk staging. Not all columns display by default.

See [“About basic disk staging”](#) on page 515.

See [“Staging schedule option in Change Storage Units dialog”](#) on page 510.

Transfer throttle storage unit setting

The **Transfer throttle** setting appears for SnapVault storage units only.

This setting allows the user to limit the amount of network bandwidth that is used for the SnapVault transfer. (In case bandwidth needs to be reserved for other applications.) Zero (default) means no network bandwidth limit for the SnapVault transfer; SnapVault uses all available bandwidth. The range is 0 to 9999999.

A value greater than 0 indicates a transfer speed for SnapVault in kilobytes per second. For example, a value of one sets a transfer speed limit for SnapVault of 1 kilobyte per second, which is a very slow transfer rate.

Use any available media server storage unit setting

When checked, the **Use any available media server** storage unit setting allows any media server in the media server list to access the storage (default).

The following table describes the media server functionality for each type of storage.

Table 11-7Media server functionality

| Storage unit type                                                                       | Functionality                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AdvancedDisk storage media server                                                       | The media servers are both storage servers and data movers. The media servers that are configured as the storage servers and data movers appear in the media servers list.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| OpenStorage media server                                                                | <p>The media servers that are configured as data movers for the OpenStorage implementation appear in the media server list. (For OpenStorage, NetBackup media servers function as data movers.) If a media server does not appear in the list, verify that the software plug-in is installed and that logon credentials are created.</p> <p>The following is required on each media server that accesses the storage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The vendor’s software plug-in is installed.</li><li>■ The login credentials to the storage server are configured.</li></ul> |
| PureDisk media server (media server deduplication pool and PureDisk deduplication pool) | <p>The media servers function as deduplication servers.</p> <p>NetBackup deduplication must be configured.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| PureDisk media server (PureDisk Deduplication Option storage pool)                      | <p>The NetBackup media servers function as the data movers. The PureDisk Linux servers function as the storage servers.</p> <p>PureDisk Deduplication Option (PDDO) must be configured.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

# Staging backups

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About staging backups](#)
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- [Configuring multiple copies in a relocation schedule](#)
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- [Finding potential free space on a BasicDisk disk staging storage unit](#)
- [Disk Staging Schedule dialog box](#)
- [Basic disk staging limitations](#)
- [Initiating a relocation schedule manually](#)

## About staging backups

In the staged backups process, NetBackup writes a backup to a storage unit and then duplicates it to a second storage unit. Eligible backups are deleted on the initial storage unit when space is needed for more backups.

This two-stage process allows a NetBackup environment to leverage the advantages of disk-based backups for recovery in the short term.

Staging also meets the following objectives:

- Allows for faster restores from disk.
- Allows the backups to run when tape drives are scarce.

- Allows the data to be streamed to tape without image multiplexing.

## About the two staging methods

NetBackup offers the following methods for staging backups.

**Table 12-1**            Methods for staging backups

| Staging method                                              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Basic disk staging                                          | <p>Basic disk staging consists of two stages. First, data is stored on the initial storage unit (disk staging storage unit). Then, per a configurable relocation schedule, data is copied to the final location. Having the images on the final destination storage unit frees the space on the disk staging storage unit as needed.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About basic disk staging”</a> on page 515.</p> <p>The following storage unit types are available for basic disk staging: BasicDisk and tape.</p>                                                                                                                                        |
| Staging using the <b>Storage Lifecycle Policies</b> utility | <p>Staged backups that are configured within the <b>Storage Lifecycle Policies</b> utility also consist of two stages. Data on the staging storage unit is copied to a final destination. However, the data is not copied per a specific schedule. Instead, the administrator can configure the data to remain on the storage unit until either a fixed retention period is met, or until the disk needs additional space, or until the data is duplicated to the final location.</p> <p>No BasicDisk, SnapVault, or disk staging storage unit can be used in an SLP.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About storage lifecycle policies”</a> on page 539.</p> |

The staging method is determined in the policy **Attributes** tab. The **Policy storage unit/lifecycle** selection determines whether the backup goes to a storage unit or a lifecycle.

**Note:** Symantec recommends that a disk partition or file system be dedicated to any disk storage unit that is used for staging. Dedicated space allows the disk staging space management logic to operate successfully.

## About basic disk staging

Basic disk staging is conducted in the following stages.

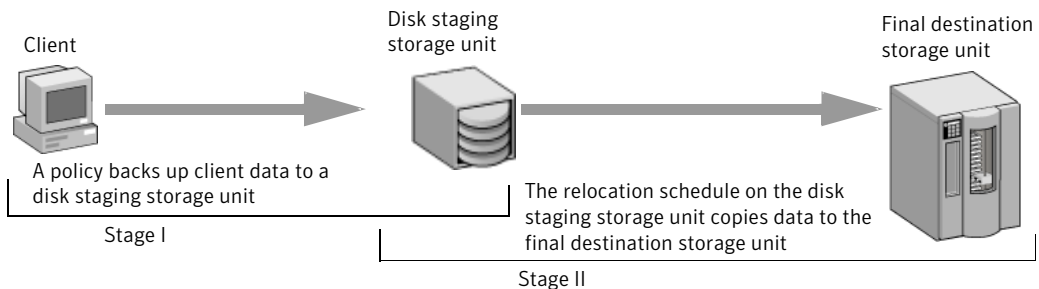
**Table 12-2** Basic disk staging

| Stage    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Stage I  | Clients are backed up by a policy. The <b>Policy storage</b> selection in the policy indicates a storage unit that has a relocation schedule configured. The schedule is configured in the <b>New</b> or <b>Change Storage unit</b> dialog box by clicking <b>Staging Schedule</b> .                                                    |
| Stage II | Images are copied from the Stage I disk staging storage unit to the Stage II storage unit. The relocation schedule on the disk staging storage unit determines when the images are copied to the final destination. Having the images on the final destination storage unit frees the space on the disk staging storage unit as needed. |

The image continues to exist on both the disk staging storage unit and the final destination storage units until the image expires or until space is needed on the disk staging storage unit.

Figure 12-1 shows the stages in basic disk staging.

**Figure 12-1** Stage I and II of basic disk staging



When the relocation schedule runs, NetBackup creates a data management job. The job looks for any data that can be copied from the disk staging storage unit to the final destination. The Job Details in the Activity Monitor identify the job as one associated with basic disk staging. The Job Details list displays Disk Staging in the job's Data Movement field.

When NetBackup detects a disk staging storage unit that is full, it pauses the backup. Then, NetBackup finds the oldest images on the storage unit that

successfully copied onto the final destination. NetBackup expires the images on the disk staging storage unit to create space.

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**Note:** The basic disk staging method does not support backup images that span disk storage units.

To avoid spanning storage units, do not use Checkpoint restart on a backup policy that writes to a storage unit group that contains multiple disk staging storage units.

See [“Take checkpoints every \\_\\_ minutes \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 620.

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## Creating a basic disk staging storage unit

Use the following processes to create a basic disk staging storage unit.

### To create a basic disk staging storage unit

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Storage > Storage Units**.
- 2 Click **Actions > New > Storage Unit**.
- 3 In the **New Storage Unit** dialog box, name the storage unit.  
See [“Storage unit name setting”](#) on page 510.
- 4 Select Disk as the **Storage unit type**.  
See [“Storage unit type setting”](#) on page 510.
- 5 Select the **Disk type** of disk storage unit that is to be a disk staging storage unit: BasicDisk.
- 6 Select a media server.  
See [“Media server storage unit setting”](#) on page 503.
- 7 Enter the absolute path to the directory to be used for storage.  
See [“Absolute pathname to directory or absolute pathname to volume setting for storage units”](#) on page 497.
- 8 Select whether this directory can reside on the root file system or system disk.  
See [“Directory can exist on the root file system or system disk setting for storage units”](#) on page 497.



- 9 Enter the maximum concurrent jobs that are allowed to write to this storage unit at one time.

See [“Maximum concurrent jobs storage unit setting”](#) on page 501.

- 10 Enter a **High water mark** value.

The high water mark works differently for the BasicDisk disk type. NetBackup assigns new jobs to a BasicDisk disk staging storage unit, even if it is over the indicated high water mark. For BasicDisk, the high water mark is used to trigger the deletion of images that have been relocated. NetBackup continues to delete images until the disk reaches the low water mark.

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**Note:** The **Low water mark** setting does not apply to disk staging storage units.

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- 11 Check the **Enable temporary staging area** option. Once the option is enabled, create a schedule so that disk staging can occur.

## Creating a schedule for a basic disk staging storage unit

The **Disk Staging Schedule** dialog box is similar to the **Add New Schedule** dialog box used to configure schedules in backup policies. The differences appear on the **Attributes** tab.

### To define the disk staging schedule

- 1 Click **Staging Schedule**.

- 2 The schedule name defaults to the storage unit name.

In the **Disk Staging** dialog box, select the priority that the relocation jobs that are started from this schedule have compared to other types of jobs.

See [“Disk Staging Schedule dialog box”](#) on page 523.

- 3 Select whether to create multiple copies. When the **Multiple copies** attribute is checked, NetBackup can create up to four copies of a backup simultaneously.

See [“Multiple copies \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 675.

For disk staging storage units, the **Maximum backup copies** Global host property must include an additional copy beyond the number of copies that are indicated in the **Copies** field.

See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

- 4 Select a storage unit to contain the images from this storage unit upon relocation.

- 5 Select a volume pool to contain the images from this storage unit upon relocation.
- 6 Select a media owner to own the images from this storage unit upon relocation.
- 7 Select whether to use an alternate server for the images from this storage unit upon relocation.
- 8 Click **OK** to accept the disk staging schedule.

## Configuring multiple copies in a relocation schedule

To configure a relocation schedule for basic disk staging to create multiple copies, use the following procedure.

To configure a relocation schedule for basic disk staging to create multiple copies

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Storage > Storage Units**.
- 2 Perform one of the following actions:

To change an existing basic disk storage unit

- Select the storage unit to change.
- On the **Edit** menu, click **Change**.

To create a new basic disk storage unit

- On the **Actions** menu, click **New > New Storage Unit**.
- Name the storage unit.
- From the **Storage unit type** list, select **Disk**.
- Check **Enable Temporary Staging Area**.
- Configure the other storage unit settings as necessary.
- See [“Creating a basic disk staging storage unit”](#) on page 516.

See [“About staging backups”](#) on page 513.

- 3 Click **Staging Schedule**.
- 4 In the dialog box that appears, on the **Attributes** tab, specify a priority in the field **Priority of relocation jobs started from this schedule** (0 to 99999).
- 5 Select a schedule type and schedule when the policy should run.
- 6 Check **Use alternate read server**, and select an alternate server from the list. The alternate server can read a backup image originally written by a different media server.

- 7 Select **Multiple copies** and click **Configure**.  
 If **Multiple copies** is grayed out, make sure that the **Maximum backup copies** host property is set to at least 3. This host property is in the **Global Attributes** properties.  
 See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.
- 8 In the **Copies** field, specify the number of copies to create simultaneously. The number must be between 1 and 4.  
 The maximum is four, or the number of copies that the **Maximum backup copies** setting specifies, whichever is fewer.  
 The **Maximum backup copies** property must include an additional copy beyond the number of copies that are indicated in the **Copies** field. For example, to create four copies in the **Configure Multiple Copies** dialog box, set the **Maximum backup copies** property to five or more.  
**Copy 1** is the primary copy. If **Copy 1** fails, the first successful copy is the primary copy.  
 Usually, NetBackup restores from the primary copy of an image. However, it is possible to restore from a specific backup copy other than the primary copy. To do so, use the `bprestore` command.  
 See [“Configure Multiple Copies dialog box”](#) on page 676.  
 See [“About configuring for multiple copies”](#) on page 676.
- 9 Specify the storage unit where each copy is stored. If a Media Manager storage unit has multiple drives, it can be used for both the source and the destination.
- 10 Specify the volume pool where each copy is stored.
- 11 Select one of the following from the **If this copy fails** list:
 

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>continue</b>        | Continues making the remaining copies.<br><b>Note:</b> Note: If <b>Take checkpoints every __ minutes</b> is selected for this policy, only the last failed copy that contains a checkpoint can be resumed.<br>See <a href="#">“Take checkpoints every __ minutes (policy attribute)”</a> on page 620. |
| <b>fail all copies</b> | Fails the entire job.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

12 For tape media, specify who should own the media onto which NetBackup writes the images:

|                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Any            | NetBackup selects the media owner, either a media server or server group.                                                                                                                                                                               |
| None           | Specifies that the media server that writes to the media owns the media. No media server is specified explicitly, but you want a media server to own the media.                                                                                         |
| A server group | Specifies that a media server group allows only those media servers in the group to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written. All media server groups that are configured in the NetBackup environment appear in the list. |

These settings do not affect images residing on disk. One media server does not own the images that reside on shared disks. Any media server with access to the shared pool of disk can access the images.

13 Click **OK**.

## Disk staging storage unit size and capacity

To take advantage of basic disk staging requires that the NetBackup administrator understand the life expectancy of the image on the Stage I storage unit.

The size and use of the file system of the Stage I storage unit directly affects the life expectancy of the image before it is copied to the Stage II storage unit. Symantec recommends a dedicated file system for each disk staging storage unit.

Consider the following example: A NetBackup administrator wants incremental backups to be available on disk for one week.

Incremental backups are done Monday through Saturday, with full backups done on Sunday. The full backups are sent directly to tape and do not use basic disk staging.

Each night's total incremental backups are sent to a disk staging storage unit and average from 300 MB to 500 MB. Occasionally a backup is 700 MB. Each following day the relocation schedule runs on the disk staging storage unit and copies the previous night's incremental backups to the final destination, a Media Manager (tape) storage unit.

The following table gives more information about determining disk size for a basic disk staging storage unit.

Table 12-3      Size considerations for a basic disk staging storage unit

| Disk size         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Minimum disk size | <p>The minimum disk size is the smallest size that is required for the successful operation of the disk staging logic.</p> <p>The minimum size must be greater than or equal to the largest combined size of the backups that are placed on the storage unit between runs of the disk staging schedule. (In our example, the disk images remain on the disk for one week.)</p> <p>In this example, the relocation schedule runs nightly, and the largest nightly backup is 700 MB. Symantec recommends that you double this value to allow for any problems that may occur when the relocation schedule runs. To double the value gives the administrator an extra schedule cycle (one day) to correct any problems.</p> <p>To determine the minimum size for the storage unit in this example, use the following formula:</p> <p>Minimum size = Max data per cycle × (1 cycle + 1 cycle for safety)</p> <p>For example: 1.4 GB = 700 MB × (1+1)</p> |
| Average disk size | <p>The average disk size represents a good compromise between the minimum and the maximum sizes.</p> <p>In this example, the average nightly backup is 400 MB and the NetBackup administrator wants to keep the images for one week.</p> <p>To determine the average size for the storage unit in this example, use the following formula:</p> <p>Average size = Average data per cycle × (number of cycles to keep data + 1 cycle for safety)</p> <p>2.8 GB = 400 MB × (6 + 1)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

Table 12-3            Size considerations for a basic disk staging storage unit *(continued)*

| Disk size         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Maximum disk size | <p>The maximum disk size is the recommended size needed to accommodate a certain level of service. In this example, the level of service is that disk images remain on disk for one week.</p> <p>To determine the maximum size for the storage unit in this example, use the following formula:</p> <p>Maximum size = Max data per cycle × (# of cycles to keep data + 1 cycle for safety)</p> <p>For example: 4.9 GB = 700 MB × (6 + 1)</p> |

## Finding potential free space on a BasicDisk disk staging storage unit

Potential free space is the amount of space on a disk staging storage unit that NetBackup could free if extra space on the volume is needed. The space is the total size of the images that are eligible for expiration plus the images ready to be deleted on the volume.

To find the potential free space on a BasicDisk storage unit, use the `bpstulist` and the `nbdevquery` commands as follows:

- Run `bpstulist -label` to find the disk pool name.  
Note that the name of the storage unit and disk pools are case sensitive. In the case of BasicDisk storage units, the name of the disk pool is the same as the name of the BasicDisk storage unit. In the following example, the name of the storage unit is NameBasic:

```
bpstulist -label basic
NameBasic 0 server1 0 -1 -1 1 0 "C:\\" 1 1 524288 *NULL* 0 1 0 98 80 0 NameBasic server1
```

- Run the `nbdevquery` command to display the status for the disk pool, including the potential free space.  
Use the following options, where:

`-stype server_type`

Specifies the vendor-specific string that identifies the storage server type. For a BasicDisk storage unit, enter BasicDisk.

-dp

Specifies the disk pool name. For a basic disk type, the disk pool name is the name of the BasicDisk storage unit.

So the complete command might look like the following.

```
nbdevquery -listdv -stype BasicDisk -dp NameBasic -D
```

The value is listed as `potential_free_space`.

Disk Volume Dump

```
name           : <Internal_16>
id             : <C:\>
diskpool       : <NameBasic::server1::BasicDisk>
disk_media_id  : <@aaaaf>
total_capacity : 0
free_space     : 0
potential_free_space: 0
committed_space : 0
precommitted_space : 0
nbu_state      : 2
sts_state      : 0
flags          : 0x6
num_read_mounts : 0
max_read_mounts : 0
num_write_mounts : 1
max_write_mounts : 1
system_tag     : <Generic disk volume>
```

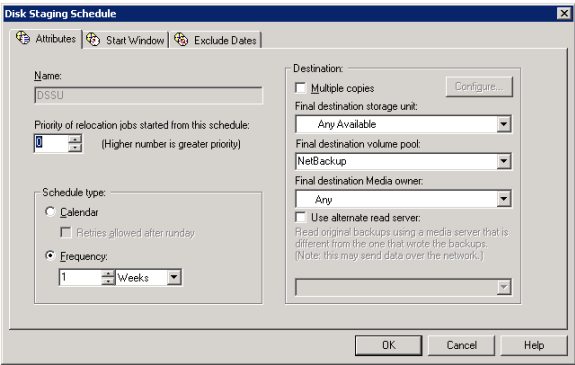
## Disk Staging Schedule dialog box

Click **Staging Schedule** to display the **Disk Staging Schedule** dialog box. The dialog box is similar to the scheduling dialog box that appears when a policy is configured.

The schedule that is created for the disk staging storage unit is not listed under **Schedules** in the **NetBackup Administration Console** when the **Policies** utility is selected.

[Figure 12-2](#) shows the disk staging schedule for a basic disk staging storage unit.

Figure 12-2 Disk Staging Schedule for a basic disk staging storage unit



The **Attributes** tab on the **Disk Staging Schedule** dialog box differs from the **Attributes** tab of a regular policy. The differences are described in the following table.

Table 12-4 Attributes tab settings

| Attribute                                              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Name                                                   | The <b>Name</b> on the <b>Disk Staging Schedule</b> dialog box automatically defaults to the name of the storage unit.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Priority of relocation jobs started from this schedule | The <b>Priority of relocation jobs started from this schedule</b> field indicates the priority that NetBackup assigns to relocation jobs for this policy. Range: 0 (default) to 99999 (highest priority).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Frequency                                              | <p>If the backups that use a disk staging storage unit run more frequently than expected, compare the retention level 1 setting with the <b>Frequency</b> setting. Internally, NetBackup uses the retention level 1 setting for scheduling purposes with disk staging storage units.</p> <p>Make sure that the frequency period is set to make the backups occur more frequently than the retention level 1 setting indicates. (The default is two weeks.)</p> <p>For example, a frequency of one day and a retention level 1 of two weeks should work well.</p> <p>Retention levels are configured in the <b>Retention Periods</b> host properties.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Retention Periods properties”</a> on page 203.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Frequency (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 672.</p> |



Table 12-4 Attributes tab settings (*continued*)

| Attribute                             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Final destination storage unit</b> | <p>If the schedule is a relocation schedule, a <b>Final destination storage unit</b> must be indicated. (A relocation schedule is created as part of a basic disk staging storage unit configuration.) A <b>Final destination storage unit</b> is the name of the storage unit where the images reside after a relocation job copies them.</p> <p>To copy images to tape, NetBackup uses all of the drives available in the <b>Final destination storage unit</b>. However, the <b>Maximum concurrent write drives</b> setting for that storage unit must be set to reflect the number of drives. The setting determines how many duplication jobs can be launched to handle the relocation job.</p> <p>NetBackup continues to free space until the <b>Low water mark</b> is reached.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Low water mark storage unit setting”</a> on page 500.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Maximum concurrent write drives storage unit setting”</a> on page 500.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About staging backups”</a> on page 513.</p>                  |
| <b>Final destination volume pool</b>  | <p>If the schedule is a relocation schedule, a <b>Final destination volume pool</b> must be indicated. (A relocation schedule is created as part of a basic disk staging storage unit configuration.) A <b>Final destination volume pool</b> is the volume pool where images are swept from the volume pool on the basic disk staging storage unit.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About staging backups”</a> on page 513.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The relocation schedule that was created for the basic disk staging storage unit is not listed under <b>Schedules</b> in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> when the <b>Policies</b> utility is selected.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Final destination media owner</b>  | <p>If the schedule is a relocation schedule, a <b>Final destination media owner</b> must be indicated. (A relocation schedule is created as part of a basic disk staging storage unit configuration.) A <b>Final destination media owner</b> is the media owner where the images reside after a relocation job copies them.</p> <p>Specify one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Any</b> lets NetBackup choose the media owner. NetBackup chooses a media server or a server group (if one is configured).</li> <li>■ <b>None</b> specifies that the media server that writes the image to the media owns the media. No media server is specified explicitly, but you want a media server to own the media.</li> <li>■ A server group. A server group allows only those servers in the group to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written. All server groups that are configured in the NetBackup environment appear in the <b>Final destination media owner</b> drop-down list.</li> </ul> |

Table 12-4      Attributes tab settings (continued)

| Attribute                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Use alternate read server | <p>The <b>Use alternate read server</b> attribute applies to NetBackup Enterprise Server only.</p> <p>An alternate read server is a server allowed to read a backup image originally written by a different media server.</p> <p>The path to the disk or directory must be identical for each media server that is to access the disk.</p> <p>If the backup image is on tape, the media servers must share the same tape library or the operator must find the media.</p> <p>If the backup image is on a robot that is not shared or a stand-alone drive, the media must be moved to the new location. An administrator must move the media, inventory the media in the new robot, and execute <code>bpmedia -oldserver -newserver</code> or assign a failover media server.</p> <p>To avoid sending data over the network during duplication, specify an alternate read server that meets the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Connected to the storage device that contains the original backups (the source volumes).</li><li>■ Connected to the storage device that contains the final destination storage units.</li></ul> <p>If the final destination storage unit is not connected to the alternate read server, data is sent over the network.</p> |

## Basic disk staging limitations

The basic disk staging method does not support the backup images that span disk storage units.

To avoid spanning storage units, do not use Checkpoint restart on a backup policy that writes to a storage unit group that contains multiple disk staging storage units.

See [“Take checkpoints every \\_\\_ minutes \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 620.

## Initiating a relocation schedule manually

A relocation schedule may be started manually to copy images to the final destination before the schedule is due to run.

**To initiate a relocation schedule**

- 1** In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Storage > Storage Units**.
- 2** In the right pane, select a basic disk staging storage unit.
- 3** Select **Actions > Manual Relocation to Final Destination** to initiate the schedule.

If the relocation schedule finds data that can be copied, NetBackup creates a job to copy the data to the final destination storage unit.

The image then exists on both storage units until the disk staging (Stage I) storage unit becomes full and the oldest images are deleted.

See [“Maintaining available disk space on disk storage units”](#) on page 494.



# Configuring storage unit groups

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About storage unit groups](#)
- [Creating storage unit groups for backups](#)
- [Creating storage unit groups for snapshots](#)
- [Deleting a storage unit group](#)
- [Storage unit selection criteria within a group](#)
- [About disk spanning within storage unit groups](#)

## About storage unit groups

Storage unit groups let you identify specific storage units as a group. You can specify a storage unit group name as the storage for a policy in the same way that you specify individual storage units. When a storage unit group is specified as the storage in a policy, the policy directs backups or snapshots only to those storage units in the designated group.

Storage unit groups can be one of the following types:

- **Backup storage unit groups**  
A backup storage unit group contains only storage units that can contain backup. A snapshot storage unit cannot be added to a backup storage unit group.  
See [“Creating storage unit groups for backups”](#) on page 530.
- **Snapshot storage unit groups**

A snapshot storage unit group contains only storage units that can contain snapshots. A backup storage unit cannot be added to a snapshot storage unit group.

See [“Creating storage unit groups for snapshots”](#) on page 531.

## Creating storage unit groups for backups

The following procedure describes how to create a storage unit group that consists of the storage units that can contain backups.

### To create a storage unit group

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Storage**.
- 2 Right-click **Storage Unit Groups** and select **New Storage Unit Group**.
- 3 Enter a storage unit group name for the new storage unit group. The storage unit group name is case-sensitive.

See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.

- 4 For the storage unit group to contain backups, select **Backup** in the drop-down menu.
- 5 Add backup storage units to or remove backup storage units from the group:
  - To add storage units to the group, select the storage units from the **Storage units not in the group** list and click **Add**.
  - To remove storage units from the group, select the storage units from the **Storage units in group** list and click **Remove**.
  - To change the priority of a storage unit, select the storage unit and click **Increase Priority** or **Decrease Priority**. The units at the top of the list have the highest priority in the group.

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**Note:** OpenStorage, SnapVault, and PureDisk storage units cannot be included in storage unit groups.

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- 6 Choose how storage units are selected within the group:
  - **Prioritized.** Choose the first storage unit in the list that is not busy, down, or out of media.
  - **Failover.** Choose the first storage unit in the list that is not down or out of media.
  - **Round Robin.** Choose the least recently selected storage unit in the list.

- **Media server load balancing.** Choose a storage unit based on a capacity-managed approach.  
 Symantec recommends the **Media server load balancing** criteria for disk staging storage units within a storage unit group.  
 See [“Media server load balancing”](#) on page 535.

See [“Storage unit selection criteria within a group”](#) on page 534.

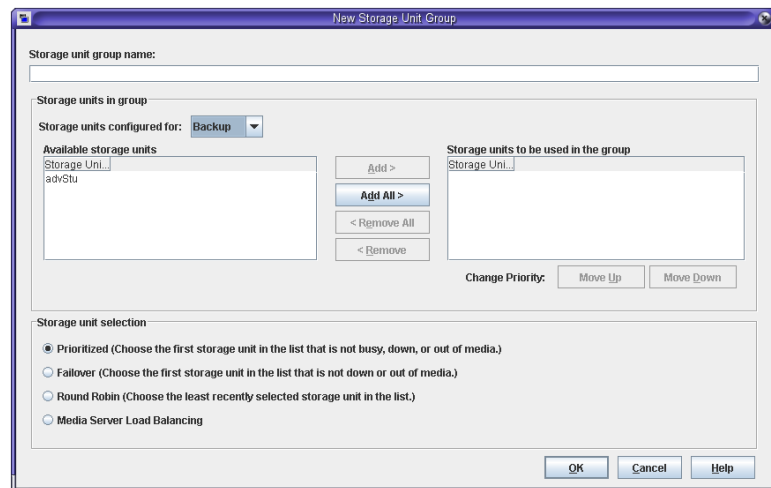
One exception to the selection criteria is in the case of a client that is also a media server with locally connected storage units.

See [“Exception to the storage unit selection criteria”](#) on page 537.

## 7 Click **OK**.

See [“About storage unit groups”](#) on page 529.

**Figure 13-1** Backup storage unit group configuration dialog box



# Creating storage unit groups for snapshots

Creating storage unit groups is optional.

A snapshot storage unit group must be comprised of a homogenous set of storage units. That is, the storage units that are added into a new or an existing group must have matching properties.

The following procedure describes how to create a storage unit group that consists of storage units that can contain snapshots.

### To create a snapshot storage unit group

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Storage**.
- 2 Right-click **Storage Unit Groups** and select **New Storage Unit Group**.
- 3 Enter a storage unit group name for the new storage unit group. The storage unit group name is case-sensitive.  
See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.
- 4 For the storage unit group to contain snapshots, select **Snapshot** in the drop-down menu.
- 5 A storage unit group can contain only those storage unit that share similar properties. NetBackup filters the storage units for selection so that dissimilar storage units are not combined in one storage unit group.

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**Note:** The properties of the underlying storage units are read-only. You cannot change the storage unit properties from this dialog box.

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Select one or more properties to filter the storage units in the list. Only those storage units that have the selected properties are displayed. For example, select **Replication source** and **Replication target** to display only those storage units that are configured to act as both replication sources and replication targets.

Filter the storage units on the following properties:

- **Primary**  
Enable **Primary** to display storage units that can contain the initial snapshot of primary data.
- **Replication source**  
Enable **Replication source** to display storage units that can serve as a source for a replicated snapshot.
- **Replication target**  
Enable **Replication target** to display storage units that can receive replicated snapshots from a replication source.
- **Mirror**  
Optionally, enable **Mirror** to display storage units that can serve as a mirrored replication target. (For example, NetApp SnapMirror.)
- **Independent**

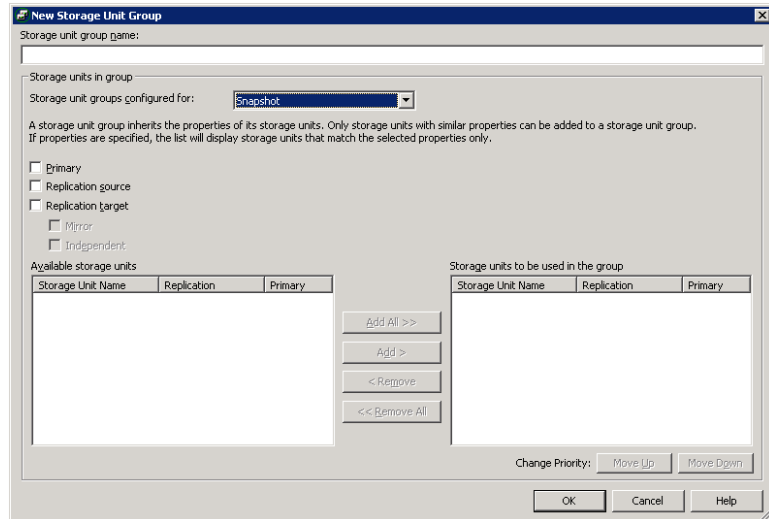


Optionally, enable **Independent** to display storage units that can act as either a **Mirror** replication target (SnapMirror) or a non-mirror replication target (SnapVault).

For more information about snapshot properties, see the *NetBackup Replication Director Solutions Guide*.

- 6 Add or remove storage units from the group:
  - To add storage units to the group, select the storage units from the **Available storage units** list and click **Add**.
  - To remove storage units from the group, select the storage units from the **Storage units to be used in the group** list and click **Remove**.
  - To change the priority of a storage unit, select the storage unit and click **Increase Priority** or **Decrease Priority**. The units at the top of the list have the highest priority in the group.
- 7 Click **OK** to save and close the dialog box.

**Figure 13-2** Snapshot storage unit group configuration dialog box



## Deleting a storage unit group

The following procedure describes how to delete a storage unit group.

To delete a storage unit group

- 1
- In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Storage > Storage Unit Groups**.
- 2
- In the right pane, from the list of storage unit groups, select the storage unit group you want to delete. Hold down the **Control** or **Shift** key to select multiple storage units.
- 3
- Select **Edit > Delete**.
- 4
- Click **OK**.

# Storage unit selection criteria within a group

The storage unit selection criteria determines the order in which storage units are selected within a storage unit group.

The only difference between the selection criteria options is the order in which the storage units are selected.

Choose from one of the following selection criteria.

| Selection          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Prioritized</b> | <p>If the <b>Prioritized</b> option is selected, NetBackup chooses the next available storage unit in the list. <b>Prioritized</b> is the default selection.</p> <p>If a storage unit is unavailable, NetBackup examines the next storage unit until it finds one that is available.</p> |
| <b>Failover</b>    | <p>If the <b>Failover</b> option is selected, when a job must queue for a storage unit, the job queues rather than try another storage unit in the group.</p>                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Round robin</b> | <p>If the <b>Round robin</b> option is selected, NetBackup chooses the least recently selected storage unit in the list as each new job is started.</p> <p>If a storage unit is unavailable, NetBackup examines the next storage unit until it finds one that is available.</p>          |

| Selection                          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Media server load balancing</b> | <p>If the <b>Media server load balancing</b> option is selected, NetBackup selects a storage unit based on a capacity-managed approach. In this way, NetBackup avoids sending jobs to busy media servers.</p> <p>If a storage unit is unavailable, NetBackup examines the next storage unit until it finds one that is available.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Media server load balancing”</a> on page 535.</p> |

A queue can form for a storage unit if the storage unit is unavailable.

The following are some reasons why a storage unit can be considered unavailable:

- The storage unit is busy.
- The storage unit is down.
- The storage unit is out of media.
- The storage unit has no available space.
- The storage unit has reached the **Maximum concurrent jobs** setting.  
See [“Maximum concurrent jobs storage unit setting”](#) on page 501.

See [“Exception to the storage unit selection criteria”](#) on page 537.

## Media server load balancing

The **Media server load balancing** option indicates that NetBackup select a storage unit based on a capacity-managed approach. In this way, NetBackup avoids sending jobs to busy media servers.

If a storage unit is unavailable, NetBackup examines the next storage unit until it finds one that is available.

The selection is based on the following factors:

- The rank of the media server.  
NetBackup considers the number of processes that are running on each CPU along with the memory thresholds on each server to determine the rank of a media server. If the free memory drops below a determined threshold, or if the number of running processes per CPU rises over a determined threshold, then the overall rank of the media server drops.
- The number of jobs on the media server.  
NetBackup considers the number of scheduled jobs on each media server.

- Whether the media server has enough disk space to accommodate the estimated size of the image. (Physical and virtual tapes ignore this requirement.) NetBackup estimates the size of any of the new or any current jobs on each media server. It then determines whether the jobs fit on a given volume. NetBackup estimates the amount of space that the job may require, based on previous backup history. If no history is available, the high water mark for the storage unit serves as a guide.

**Media server load balancing** cannot be selected for a storage unit group that includes a BasicDisk storage unit. Also, a BasicDisk storage unit cannot be included in an existing storage unit group with **Media server load balancing** enabled.

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**Note:** Symantec recommends that you select **Media server load balancing** for disk staging storage units within a storage unit group.

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See [“Other load balancing methods”](#) on page 536.

## Other load balancing methods

Using the **Media server load balancing** option to balance the storage load requires a license.

The following methods to distribute the backup workload do not require additional licenses:

Adjust the backup load on a media server.

- Change the **Limit jobs per policy** policy attribute for one or more of the policies that are sent to a media server. Specifying a lower limit reduces the workload on a media server on a specific network segment.  
See [“Limit jobs per policy \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 624.
- Reconfigure policies or schedules to use storage units on other media servers.
- Consider changing the **Bandwidth** host properties on one or more clients.  
See [“Storage unit selection criteria within a group”](#) on page 534.

Distribute the backup load on media servers during peak periods.

Reconfigure policy schedules so that they write backups to storage units on the media servers that can handle the load (assuming that master servers and media servers are on separate hosts).

Adjust the backup load on the client.

Change the **Maximum jobs per client** global attribute. For example, raising the **Maximum jobs per client** limit increases the number of concurrent jobs that any one client can process and therefore increases the load.

See [“Storage unit selection criteria within a group”](#) on page 534.

|                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Reduce the time needed to back up clients.      | Increase the number of jobs that clients can perform concurrently, or use multiplexing. Another possibility is to increase the number of jobs that the media server can perform concurrently for the policies that back up the clients.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Give preference to a policy.                    | Increase the <b>Limit jobs per policy</b> attribute for the preferred policy relative to other policies. Or, increase the priority for the policy.<br><br>See <a href="#">“Limit jobs per policy (policy attribute)”</a> on page 624.                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Adjust the load between fast and slow networks. | Increase the <b>Limit jobs per policy</b> and <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> for policies and clients in a faster network. Decrease these numbers for slower networks. Another solution is to use the NetBackup capability to limit bandwidth.<br><br>See <a href="#">“Limit jobs per policy (policy attribute)”</a> on page 624.<br><br>See <a href="#">“Storage unit selection criteria within a group”</a> on page 534. |
| Maximize the use of devices.                    | Use multiplexing. Allow as many concurrent jobs per storage unit, policy, and client as possible without causing server, client, or network performance problems.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Prevent backups from monopolizing tape devices. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Place some drives in a down state or limit the number that are used concurrently in a specific storage unit. For example, if there are four drives in a robot, allow only two to be used concurrently.</li> <li>■ Do not place all devices under Media Manager control.</li> </ul>                                                                                                |

## Exception to the storage unit selection criteria

The only exception to the storage unit selection criteria order is in the case of a client that is also a media server with locally connected storage units. The locally available storage units take precedence over the defined sequence of storage units in the group.

You may have set up a storage unit to be **On demand only**. If the unit is in a storage unit group that a policy requires, the **On demand only** option is satisfied and the device is used.

See [“On demand only storage unit setting”](#) on page 505.

See [“Storage unit selection criteria within a group”](#) on page 534.

## About disk spanning within storage unit groups

A backup may span storage units if a disk full condition is detected. Backups can span from one BasicDisk storage unit to another BasicDisk storage unit if the storage units are in the same storage unit group. The storage units must also share the same media server.

See [“Storage unit selection criteria within a group”](#) on page 534.

# Configuring storage lifecycle policies

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About storage lifecycle policies](#)
- [Creating a storage lifecycle policy](#)
- [Deleting a storage lifecycle policy](#)
- [Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box settings](#)
- [Hierarchical view of storage operations in the Storage lifecycle policy dialog box](#)
- [Adding a storage operation to a storage lifecycle policy](#)
- [About writing multiple copies using a storage lifecycle policy](#)
- [About storage lifecycle policy versions](#)
- [LIFECYCLE\\_PARAMETERS file for optional SLP-managed job configuration](#)
- [Lifecycle operation administration using the nbstlutil command](#)

## About storage lifecycle policies

A storage lifecycle policy (SLP) is a storage plan for a set of backups. An SLP is configured within the **Storage Lifecycle Policies** utility.

An SLP contains instructions in the form of storage operations, to be applied to the data that is backed up by a backup policy. Operations are added to the SLP that determine how the data is stored, copied, replicated, and retained. NetBackup retries the copies as necessary to ensure that all copies are created.

SLPs offer the opportunity for users to assign a classification to the data at the policy level. A data classification represents a set of backup requirements, which makes it easier to configure backups for data with different requirements. For example, email data and financial data.

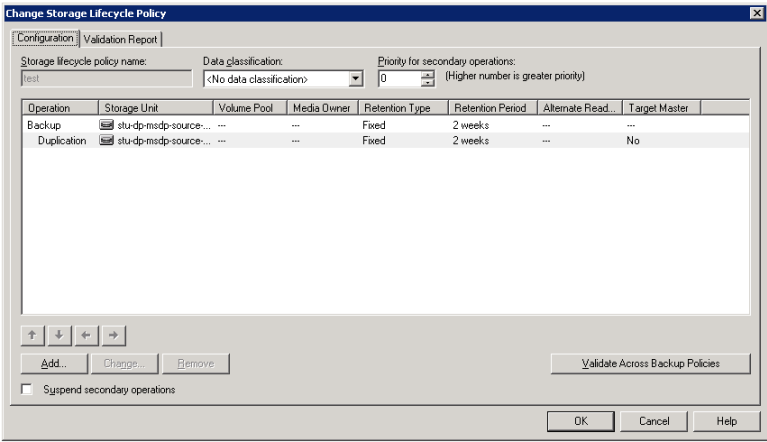
SLPs can be set up to provide staging behavior. They simplify data management by applying a prescribed behavior to all the backup images that are included in the SLP. This process allows the NetBackup administrator to leverage the advantages of disk-based backups in the near term. It also preserves the advantages of tape-based backups for long-term storage.

## Creating a storage lifecycle policy

A storage lifecycle policy can be selected as the **Policy storage** within a backup policy.

To create a storage lifecycle policy

- 1
- In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Storage > Storage Lifecycle Policies**.
- 2
- Click **Actions > New > Storage Lifecycle Policy (UNIX)** or **Actions > New > New Storage Lifecycle Policy (Windows)**.



- 3
- In the **New Storage Lifecycle Policy** dialog box, enter a **Storage lifecycle policy name**.
- 4
- Select a **Data classification**. (Optional.)
- See [“Creating a Data Classification”](#) on page 117.



- 5    Select the **Priority for secondary operations**. This number represents the priority that jobs from secondary operations have in relationship to all other jobs.  
See [“Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box settings”](#) on page 544.
- 6    Click **Add** to add operations to the SLP. The operations act as instructions for the data.  
See [“Adding a storage operation to a storage lifecycle policy”](#) on page 550.  
See [“Creating a hierarchical operation list in an SLP”](#) on page 548.
- 7    Click **OK** to create the storage lifecycle policy.

## Storage lifecycle policy validation dialog box

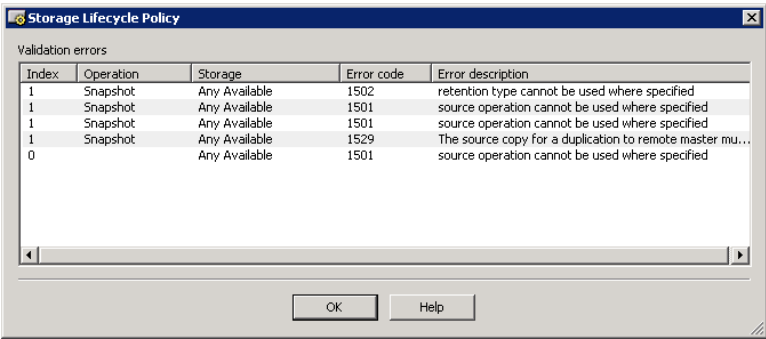
The Storage Lifecycle Policy validation dialog box may appear if NetBackup cannot save the SLP as configured because of problems with the operations in the SLP. The dialog box may also appear after the administrator clicks **Validate Across Backup Policies**, before the **Validation Report** tab displays.

The Storage Lifecycle Policy validation dialog box displays the errors that must be corrected before the SLP can be saved. For example, errors regarding the hierarchy of operations in the SLP or errors concerning the storage units that the operations indicate.

The dialog box contains the following information about any validation errors:

|                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Index</b>             | The operation in the SLP that contains errors. The index number is the operation's order in the SLP. For example, the second operation has an index number of two.                                                       |
| <b>Operation</b>         | The type of operation where the error occurs in the SLP.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Storage</b>           | The storage name indicated in the operation where the error occurs.                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Error code</b>        | The NetBackup status code. Use the NetBackup <b>Troubleshooter</b> or the <i>NetBackup Status Codes Reference Guide</i> to determine corrective actions.<br>See <a href="#">“Running the Troubleshooter”</a> on page 51. |
| <b>Error description</b> | The description of the NetBackup status code.                                                                                                                                                                            |

Figure 14-1 Storage Lifecycle Policy validation dialog box



## Storage lifecycle policy Validation Report tab

The **Validation Report** tab lists the conflicts between the proposed changes to the operations in a storage lifecycle policy and any backup policy that uses the SLP.

Likewise, when a policy is created that indicates an SLP as the **Policy storage**, a similar validation report may display. The report lists any conflicts between the policy and the SLP that it has indicated.

The conflicts that are listed must be resolved in order for a job that references the SLP to run successfully. Use the **Troubleshooter** or the online Help on this tab for a list of common status codes that result from SLP conflicts.

**Note:** The `Request has timed out` message may appear in environments with very busy servers. To address the problem, increase the **GUI connect timeout** for the **NetBackup Administration Console** so that it has additional time to receive the necessary data from the server.

To access the timeout option in the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **View > Options**. Then select the **Aministration Console** tab. Increase the **GUI connect timeout** value.

The report checks for the following conflicts between the selected SLP and the backup policies that use it:

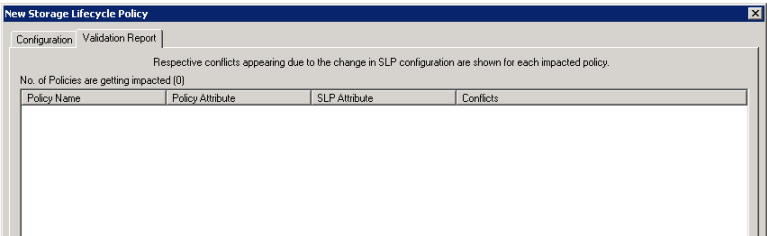
- The data classification in the storage lifecycle policy does not match that in the referencing backup policies.
- The SLP contains a **Snapshot** operation, but the referencing backup policies do not have **Perform snapshot backups** enabled.

- The SLP does not contain a **Snapshot** operation, but the referencing backup policies have the **Perform snapshot backups** enabled.
- The SLP contains a **Snapshot** operation, but the referencing backup policies cannot enable the **Retain snapshots for Instant Recovery** option.
- The policy is of the **NBU-Catalog** backup type, but the SLP configuration does not indicate a **CatalogBackup** volume pool.
- The policy is not of the **NBU-Catalog** backup type, but the SLP configuration indicates a **CatalogBackup** volume pool

To generate a validation report using the command line, run the following command:

```
nbstl SLP_name -impact
```

Figure 14-2 Validation Report tab of the Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box



## Deleting a storage lifecycle policy

To delete a storage lifecycle policy, use the following procedure. Note that to delete an SLP deletes all versions of the SLP.

### To delete a storage lifecycle policy

- 1 Remove the SLP from all backup policies to prevent new backup jobs from writing to the SLP.
- 2 Wait for all in-process backup jobs to the SLP to complete, or cancel the jobs using the **Activity Monitor** or the command line.
- 3 To prevent new jobs or cancel any existing duplication jobs from writing to the SLP, run the following command:

```
nbstlutil cancel -lifecycle name
```

- 4 Use the **Activity Monitor** to cancel in-process jobs that use the SLP.
- 5 Once all of the operations are complete, delete the SLP using one of the following methods:

- The **NetBackup Administration Console**
  - Expand **Storage > Storage Lifecycle Policies**.
  - Select the SLP name.
  - Select **Edit > Delete**.
  - In the **Delete Storage Lifecycle Policies** dialog box, select the SLP name and click **OK**.
- The `nbstl` command

```
nbstl storage_lifecycle_name -delete
```

If the administrator tries to delete an SLP with active images, a 1519 error appears. Wait several minutes and try to delete the SLP again until the error no longer appears.

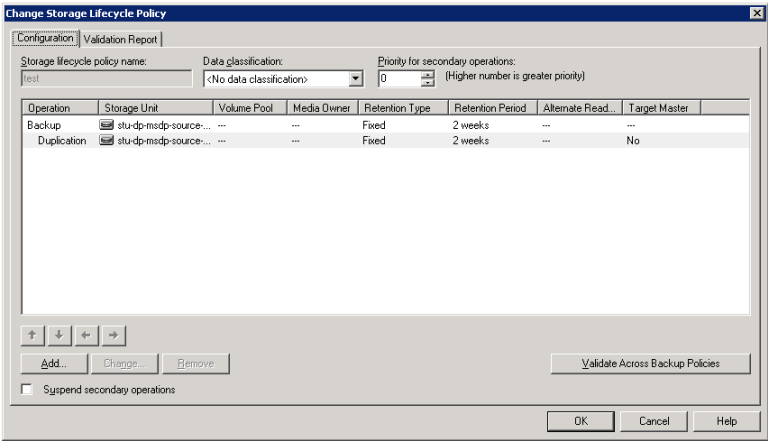
**Note:** If orphaned images are detected due to a system error, NetBackup logs the fact that the images exist and alerts the administrator to address the situation.

## Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box settings

A storage lifecycle policy consists of one or more operations.

The **New Storage Lifecycle** dialog box and the **Change Storage Lifecycle Policy** dialog box contain the following settings.

**Figure 14-3** Configuration tab of the Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box



**Table 14-1** Configuration tab of the Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box

| Setting                                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Storage lifecycle policy name</b>     | The <b>Storage lifecycle policy name</b> describes the SLP. The name cannot be modified after the SLP is created.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Data classification</b>               | <p>The <b>Data classification</b> defines the level of data that the SLP is allowed to process. The <b>Data classification</b> drop-down menu contains all of the defined classifications. The <b>Data classification</b> is an optional setting.</p> <p>One data classification can be assigned to each SLP and applies to all operations in the SLP. An SLP is not required to have a data classification.</p> <p>If a data classification is selected, the SLP stores only those images from the policies that are set up for that data classification. If no data classification is indicated, the SLP accepts images of any classification or no classification.</p> <p>The <b>Data classification</b> setting allows the NetBackup administrator to classify data based on relative importance. A classification represents a set of backup requirements. When data must meet different backup requirements, consider assigning different classifications.</p> <p>For example, email backup data can be assigned to the silver data classification and financial data backup may be assigned to the platinum classification.</p> <p>A backup policy associates backup data with a data classification. Policy data can be stored only in an SLP with the same data classification.</p> <p>Once data is backed up in an SLP, the data is managed according to the SLP configuration. The SLP defines what happens to the data from the initial backup until the last copy of the image has expired.</p> |
| <b>Priority for secondary operations</b> | <p>The <b>Priority for secondary operations</b> setting is the priority that secondary jobs (for example, duplication jobs), have in relationship to all other jobs. Range: 0 (default) to 99999 (highest priority).</p> <p>For example, the <b>Priority for secondary operations</b> for a policy with a gold data classification may be set higher than for a policy with a silver data classification.</p> <p>The priority of the backup job is set in the backup policy on the <b>Attributes</b> tab.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Job priority (policy attribute)”</a> on page 625.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Operations</b>                        | <p>The <b>Operations</b> list contains all of the operations in the SLP. Multiple operations imply that multiple copies are created.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About writing multiple copies using a storage lifecycle policy”</a> on page 578.</p> <p>The list also contains the columns that display information about each operation. Note that not all columns display by default.</p> <p>For column descriptions, see the following topic:</p> <p>See <a href="#">“New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings”</a> on page 553.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

Table 14-1

Configuration tab of the Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box  
(continued)

| Setting                                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Suspend secondary operations           | Enable <b>Suspend secondary operations</b> to stop the operations in the SLP.<br><br>A selected SLP can also be suspended from the <b>Actions</b> menu and then activated again ( <b>Activate</b> ).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Validate Across Backup Policies button | Use this button to see how changes to this SLP can affect the policies that are associated with this SLP. The button generates a report that displays on the <b>Validation Report</b> tab.<br><br>This button performs the same validation as the <code>-conflict</code> option performs when used with the <code>nbstl</code> command.<br><br>See “Storage lifecycle policy Validation Report tab” on page 542.                                                        |
| Arrows                                 | Use the arrows to indicate the indentation (or hierarchy) of the source for each copy. One copy can be the source for many other copies.<br><br>See “Hierarchical view of storage operations in the Storage lifecycle policy dialog box” on page 546.<br><br>Many operations can be hierarchical or non-hierarchical:<br><br>See “Modifying the hierarchy of operations in an SLP” on page 549.<br><br>See “Adding a non-hierarchical operation to an SLP” on page 548. |

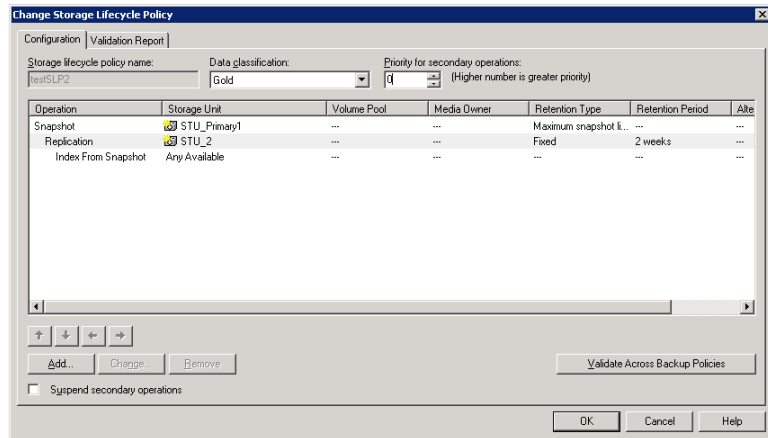
## Hierarchical view of storage operations in the Storage lifecycle policy dialog box

The list of operations in the storage lifecycle policy acts as a list of instructions for the data that the SLP protects. In some cases, one operation depends on another operation. For example, a snapshot may serve as the source for a replication. Or, a backup may serve as the source of a duplication.

This parent and child relationship is created by the operation hierarchy that is represented in the **Storage Lifecycle Policy** dialog box.

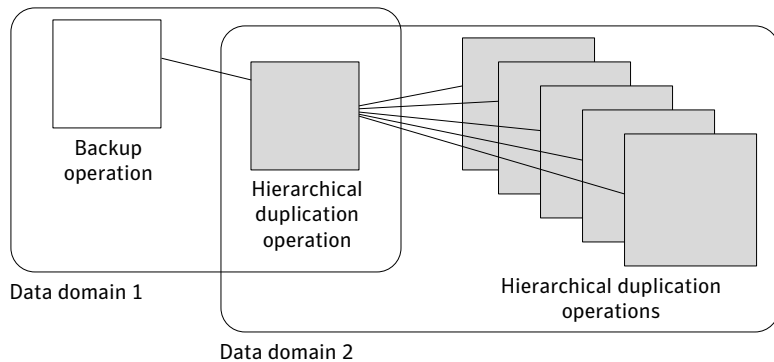
[Figure 14-4](#) shows an example of how the operation list uses indentation to indicate the relationship between the snapshot (parent) and the replication (child).

**Figure 14-4** Hierarchical storage operations in an SLP



One copy can be the source for many other copies. [Figure 14-5](#) shows how after the first copy is created, all subsequent copies can be made locally from that source, without tying up network resources.

**Figure 14-5** Hierarchical operations



Changing the location of an operation in the hierarchy changes the storage unit that serves as the source for the subsequent copies. Changing the hierarchy cannot change the operation type. (For example, change a backup operation into a duplication operation.)

The number of operations that can be added to an SLP is limited by the **Maximum backup copies** host property setting in the **Global Attributes** properties.

See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

## Creating a hierarchical operation list in an SLP

An operations list that is hierarchical indicates that one operation is dependent on another.

### To create a hierarchical operations list in an SLP

- 1 In the **New** or **Change Storage Lifecycle Policy** dialog box, click on an operation that will serve as the parent for another operation (child).
- 2 Click **Add**.
- 3 In the **New Storage Operation** dialog box, select an operation type from the drop-down **Operation** menu. The SLP displays only those operations that are valid based on the operation that you've selected.
- 4 Complete the remaining fields in the **New Storage Operation** dialog box.  
See [“New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings”](#) on page 553.
- 5 Click **OK** to add the operation to the SLP. The child operation appears indented under the parent operation
- 6 Continue to add operations to the hierarchy as necessary.

The number of operations that can be added to an SLP is limited by the **Maximum backup copies** host property setting in the Global Attributes properties.

See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

## Adding a non-hierarchical operation to an SLP

A non-hierarchical operation means that the operation does not have a parent and child relationship with another operation.

### To add a non-hierarchical operation to an operations list in an SLP

- 1 In the **New** or **Change Storage Lifecycle policy** dialog box, do not select any operation in the operations list.
- 2 Click **Add**.
- 3 In the **New** or **Change Storage Operation** dialog box, select an operation type from the drop-down **Operation** menu. The SLP displays only those operations that are valid for an operation that is not a child.
- 4 Complete the remaining fields in the **New** or **Change Storage Operation** dialog box.

See [“New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings”](#) on page 553.



- 5 Click **OK** to add the operation to the SLP. The operation appears at the end of the operation list without any indentation.
- 6 If needed, modify the order of the operation in the operation list.  
See [“Modifying the hierarchy of operations in an SLP”](#) on page 549.

## Modifying the hierarchy of operations in an SLP

In some cases, the hierarchy of operations in an operation list can be modified. If the operation is of a type that can be modified, the SLP allows the administrator to use the arrows to move it in the hierarchy.

### To modify the hierarchy of an operation in an operations list

- 1 In the **Change Storage Lifecycle Policy** dialog box, select the hierarchical operation.
- 2 Click the arrows to move the operation into the new position.
  - Up arrow  
Swaps the position of the selected operation with the sibling above it, if one exists.  
Using the up arrow does not change the source of the selected operation. The up arrow also moves the children of an operation and preserves their relationship with the selected operation.  
The up arrow is disabled if no sibling appears above the selected operation.
  - Down arrow  
Swaps the position of the selected operation with the sibling below it, if one exists.  
Using the down arrow does not change the source of the selected operation. The down arrow also moves the children of a operation and preserves their relationship with the selected operation.  
The down is disabled if no sibling appears below the selected operation.
  - Right arrow  
Moves the operation right in the hierarchy, making the sibling above the operation the source for the operation.  
If no sibling exists above the operation in the hierarchy, the right arrow is disabled. It is always disabled for **Backup** and **Snapshot** operations.  
Moving the operation to the right does not change the position number of the operation in the list.  
The right arrow also moves the children of the operation and preserves their relationship with the selected operation.
  - Left arrow

Moves the operation to the left in the hierarchy, turning the parent into a sibling.

The left arrow is enabled for some operations. For the left arrow to be enabled, the selected operation must be either the first or last in a list of siblings.

If the operation is the first sibling of a parent, click the left arrow to make it into a sibling of its parent.

Note that the left arrow also moves the children along with the selected operation to preserve the relationship with the operation.

The left arrow is disabled for **Backup** and **Snapshot** operations.

- 3 Click **OK** to save the hierarchy change.

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**Note:** The order of the operations at the time that the SLP is saved may differ from the next time the SLP is opened. NetBackup reorders the operations while it stores them in the catalog configuration file. How the hierarchy works is not changed, however, and the parent-child relationships are preserved.

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## Removing an operation from the storage operation list

Removing an operation from the storage operation list can affect the hierarchy. If an operation is removed, and that operation serves as a source for other operations, those operations have no source or parent. Without a source, the operations use the primary backup and the benefits of creating hierarchical operations are lost.

**To remove an operation from the operation list in an SLP**

- 1 In the **Change Storage Lifecycle Policy** dialog box, select the operation.
- 2 Click **Remove**. The operation is removed from the operation list. If possible, the children shift left in the hierarchy.

## Adding a storage operation to a storage lifecycle policy

Use the following procedure to add a storage operation to a storage lifecycle policy:

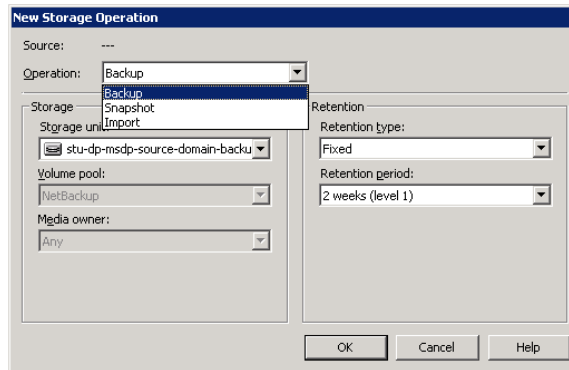
**To add a storage operation to a lifecycle policy**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, select **NetBackup Management > Storage > Storage Lifecycle Policies**.
- 2 Click **Actions > New > New Storage Lifecycle Policy** (Windows) or **Actions > New > Storage Lifecycle Policy** (UNIX).

- 3 Click **Add** to add operations to the SLP. The operations are the instructions for the SLP to follow and apply to the data that is eventually specified in the backup policy.

To create a hierarchical SLP, select an operation to become the source of the next operation, then click **Add**.

See [“Creating a hierarchical operation list in an SLP”](#) on page 548.



- 4 In the **New Storage Operation** dialog box, select an **Operation** type. The name of the operation reflects its purpose in the SLP:

- **Backup**

See [“Backup operation”](#) on page 555.

- **Backup From Snapshot**

See [“Backup From Snapshot operation”](#) on page 557.

- **Duplication**

See [“Duplication operation”](#) on page 558.

See [“About NetBackup Auto Image Replication”](#) on page 872.

- **Import**

See [“Import operation”](#) on page 560.

- **Index From Snapshot**

See [“Index From Snapshot operation”](#) on page 561.

- **Replication**

See [“Replication operation”](#) on page 564.

- **Snapshot**

See [“Snapshot operation”](#) on page 565.

See [“About Replication Director”](#) on page 896.

- 5 Indicate where the operation is to write the image. Depending on the operation, selections may include storage units or storage unit groups.

No BasicDisk, SnapVault, or disk staging storage units can be used as storage unit selections in an SLP.

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**Note:** In NetBackup 7.5, the **Any\_Available** selection is not available for new SLPs. In an upgrade situation, existing SLPs that use **Any\_Available** continue to work as they did before NetBackup 7.5. However, if the NetBackup administrator edits an existing SLP, a specific storage unit or storage unit group must be selected before the SLP can be saved successfully.

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- 6 If the storage unit is a tape device or virtual tape library (VTL), indicate the **Volume pool** where the backups (or copies) are to be written.
- 7 Indicate the **Media owner** if the storage unit is a Media Manager type and server groups are configured.

By specifying a **Media owner**, you allow only those media servers to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written.

- 8 Select the retention type for the operation:

- **Capacity managed**

See [“Capacity managed retention type for SLP operations”](#) on page 574.

- **Expire after copy**

If a policy is configured to back up to a lifecycle, the retention that is indicated in the lifecycle is the value that is used. The **Retention** attribute in the schedule is not used.

- **Fixed**

- **Maximum snapshot limit**

- **Mirror**

- **Target retention**

- 9 Indicate an **Alternate read server** that is allowed to read a backup image originally written by a different media server.
- 10 Select whether to **Preserve multiplexing**. This option is available for **Duplication** operations that use tape media or virtual tape libraries (VTL).
- 11 Click **OK** to create the storage operation.

See [“New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings”](#) on page 553.

## New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings

The **New Storage Operation** and **Change Storage Operation** dialog boxes contain the following settings.

Table 14-2      New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings

| Setting   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Source    | <p>Indicates the storage unit that is the source for the operation.</p> <p>The <b>Source</b> displays for the following operation types: <b>Backup From Snapshot</b>, <b>Replication</b>, <b>Duplication</b>, and <b>Index From Snapshot</b>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Operation | <p>Select what the operation is to perform:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Backup</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Backup operation</a>” on page 555.</li><li>■ <b>Backup From Snapshot</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Backup From Snapshot operation</a>” on page 557.</li><li>■ <b>Duplication</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Duplication operation</a>” on page 558.</li><li>■ <b>Import</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Import operation</a>” on page 560.<br/>See “<a href="#">About NetBackup Auto Image Replication</a>” on page 872.</li><li>■ <b>Index From Snapshot</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Index From Snapshot operation</a>” on page 561.</li><li>■ <b>Replication</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Replication operation</a>” on page 564.</li><li>■ <b>Snapshot</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Snapshot operation</a>” on page 565.</li></ul> <p>The <b>Operation</b> selection determines which options appear in the dialog box.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Operation types in a storage lifecycle policy</a>” on page 572.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">About writing multiple copies using a storage lifecycle policy</a>” on page 578.</p> |

Table 14-2

New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings *(continued)*

| Setting        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Retention type | <p>Select a <b>Retention type</b> from the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Capacity managed</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Capacity managed retention type for SLP operations</a>” on page 574.</li><li>■ <b>Expire after copy</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Expire after copy retention type for SLP operations</a>” on page 576.</li><li>■ <b>Fixed</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Fixed retention type for SLP operations</a>” on page 576.</li><li>■ <b>Maximum snapshot limit</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Maximum snapshot limit retention type for SLP operations</a>” on page 577.</li><li>■ <b>Mirror</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Mirror retention type for SLP operations</a>” on page 577.</li><li>■ <b>Target retention</b><br/>See “<a href="#">Target retention type for SLP operations</a>” on page 578.</li></ul> <p>See “<a href="#">Retention types for storage lifecycle policy operations</a>” on page 573.</p> |
| Target master  | <p>Indicates that the copy of the image is to be created in a different master server domain. The target master server manages the storage where the image is to be copied.</p> <p>If <b>Target master</b> is selected for a <b>Replication</b> operation, the operation becomes an operation for Auto Image Replication.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Local storage  | <p>Indicate the storage unit to be used.</p> <p>Select from the following storage units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Any available</li><li>■ Media Manager storage units (tape)</li><li>■ Disk storage units (no BasicDisk, SnapVault, or disk staging storage units)</li><li>■ Storage unit groups (may contain no BasicDisk, SnapVault, or disk staging storage units).<br/>A storage lifecycle policy can point to a storage unit group that contains a BasicDisk storage unit. However, NetBackup does not select BasicDisk storage units from a storage group for a lifecycle policy.</li></ul> <p>Storage units or storage unit groups may appear in more than one storage lifecycle policy. Storage units or storage unit groups may be used in a storage lifecycle policy while also being used as stand-alone units.</p>                                                                                             |

**Table 14-2** New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings (*continued*)

| Setting                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Storage unit</b>          | <p>The storage unit to be used.</p> <p>Select from the following storage units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Any available</li> <li>■ Media Manager storage units (tape)</li> <li>■ Disk storage units (no BasicDisk, SnapVault, or disk staging storage units)</li> <li>■ Storage unit groups (may contain no BasicDisk, SnapVault, or disk staging storage units). A storage lifecycle policy can point to a storage unit group that contains a BasicDisk storage unit. However, NetBackup does not select BasicDisk storage units from a storage group for a lifecycle policy.</li> </ul> <p>Storage units or storage unit groups may appear in more than one lifecycle. Storage units or storage unit groups may be used in a storage lifecycle while also being used as stand-alone units.</p> |
| <b>Volume pool</b>           | The <b>Volume pool</b> option is enabled for tape storage units.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Media owner</b>           | A <b>Media owner</b> is a group of NetBackup servers that are used for a common purpose.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Alternate read server</b> | An <b>Alternate read server</b> specifies the name of the server that is allowed to read a backup image originally written by a different media server. It is available for duplication operations only.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Preserve multiplexing</b> | <p>The <b>Preserve Multiplexing</b> option is available for the duplication operations that use tape media. If the backup to be duplicated is multiplexed and you want the backups to remain multiplexed, check <b>Preserve Multiplexing</b>.</p> <p>To preserve multiplexing significantly improves performance of duplication jobs because it eliminates the need to request the write-side duplication media for every image.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Override job priority</b> | The <b>Override job priority</b> option is available for an <b>Import</b> operation. The job priority that is indicated is the job priority for any import jobs which use this storage lifecycle policy.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

## Backup operation

Use the **Backup** operation to create a backup. All **Backup** operations in a single storage lifecycle policy must be on the same media server.

A **Backup** operation creates a tar-formatted image. To create a snapshot image, select a **Snapshot** operation.

Figure 14-6 Backup operation in the New Storage Operation dialog box

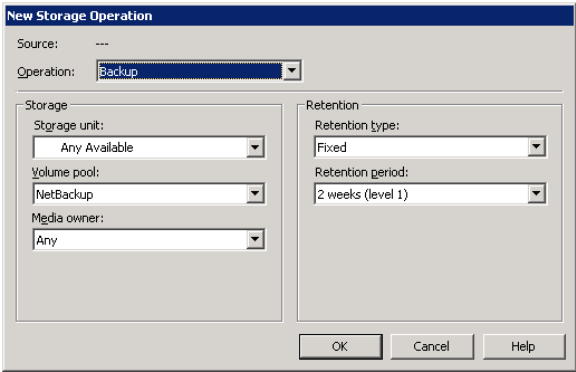
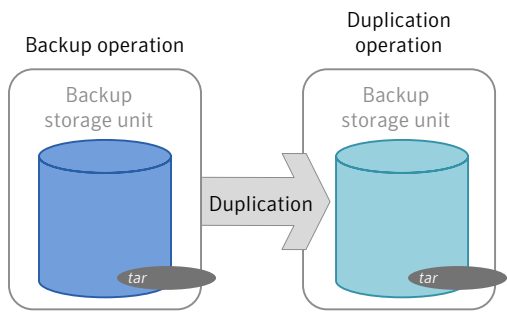


Table 14-3 Backup operation characteristics

| Characteristic         | Description                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage unit selection | <p>The selection must be a backup storage unit or a backup storage unit group.</p> <p>The selection cannot be a snapshot storage unit or a snapshot storage unit group.</p> |
| Child of               | A <b>Backup</b> operation cannot serve as the child of any other operation.                                                                                                 |
| Source for             | A <b>Backup</b> operation can be the source of a <b>Duplication</b> operation. (See <a href="#">Figure 14-7</a> .)                                                          |
| Hierarchy notes        | <p>If a <b>Backup</b> operation appears in an SLP, it must be the first operation.</p> <p>An SLP can contain a maximum of four <b>Backup</b> operations.</p>                |
| Job type               | A <b>Backup</b> operation generates a <b>Backup</b> job in the Activity Monitor.                                                                                            |



Figure 14-7 SLP that contains a Backup operation



## Backup From Snapshot operation

Use the **Backup From Snapshot** operation to create a tar-formatted copy of the snapshot. The new copy is a backup copy. The process is sometimes referred to as a snapdupe job.

Figure 14-8 Backup From Snapshot operation in the New Storage Operation dialog box

The screenshot shows the 'New Storage Operation' dialog box. The 'Operation' dropdown is set to 'Backup From Snapshot'. The 'Storage' section has 'Storage unit' set to 'Any Available', 'Volume pool' set to 'NetBackup', and 'Media owner' set to 'Any'. The 'Retention' section has 'Retention type' set to 'Fixed' and 'Retention period' set to '2 weeks (level 1)'. The 'Duplication' section has 'Alternate read server' set to an empty field and the 'Preserve multiplexing' checkbox checked. The 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help' buttons are at the bottom.

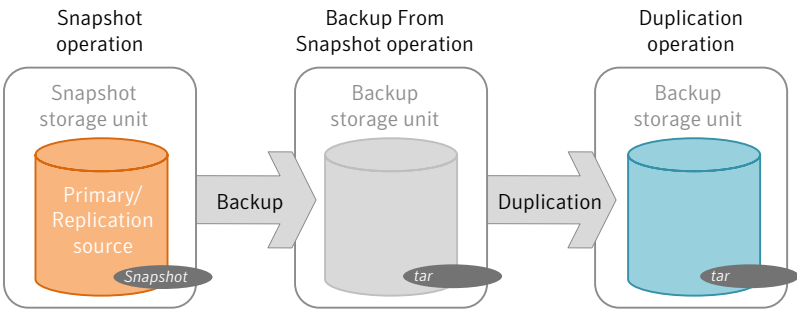
Table 14-4 Backup From Snapshot operation characteristics

| Characteristic         | Description                                                                                                                                                          |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage unit selection | The selection must be a backup storage unit or a backup storage unit group.<br><br>The selection cannot be a snapshot storage unit or a snapshot storage unit group. |

Table 14-4 Backup From Snapshot operation characteristics (continued)

| Characteristic  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Child of        | A <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation must use a <b>Snapshot</b> operation as its source.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Source for      | A <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation can be the source for a <b>Duplication</b> operation. (See <a href="#">Figure 14-9</a> .)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Hierarchy notes | An SLP may contain more than one <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation. If the first <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation fails with an unrecoverable error, NetBackup does not attempt the second one.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Job type        | <p>A <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation generates a Backup job in the Activity Monitor.</p> <p>The Backup job that results from the <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation is under the control of the SLP and the Duplication Manager. The Duplication Manager decides when to run the backup job, which may be outside of the backup window as defined in the backup policy. Users may experience a slight degradation in performance on the client or the client storage device while NetBackup accesses the snapshot.</p> |

Figure 14-9 SLP that contains a Backup From Snapshot operation



## Duplication operation

Use the **Duplication** operation to create a copy of a **Backup** operation. A media server performs the operation and writes the copy.

Use the **Replication** operation to create a copy of a **Snapshot** operation.

Figure 14-10 Duplication operation in the New Storage Operation dialog box

New Storage Operation

Source: Any Available (Backup From Snapshot)

Operation: Duplication

Storage

Storage unit: Any Available

Volume pool: NetBackup

Media owner: Any

Retention

Retention type: Fixed

Retention period: 2 weeks (level 1)

Duplication

Alternate read server:

☒ Preserve multiplexing

OK

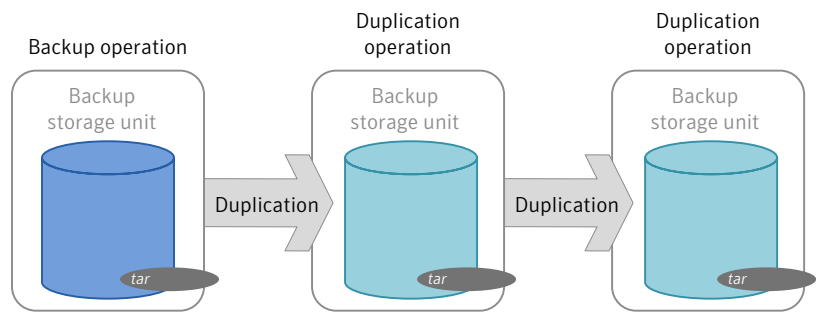
Cancel

Help

Table 14-5 Duplication operation characteristics

| Characteristic         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage unit selection | <p>The selection must be a backup storage unit or a backup storage unit group.</p> <p>The selection cannot be a snapshot storage unit or a snapshot storage unit group.</p>                                                                            |
| Child of               | <p>A <b>Duplication</b> operation can be the child of the following operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Backup</b> operation</li><li>■ <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation</li><li>■ A <b>Duplication</b> operation</li></ul> |
| Source for             | <p>A <b>Duplication</b> operation can be the source for a <b>Duplication</b> operation. (See <a href="#">Figure 14-11</a>.)</p>                                                                                                                        |
| Hierarchy notes        | <p>When a <b>Duplication</b> operation appears in an SLP, it cannot be the first operation.</p>                                                                                                                                                        |
| Job type               | <p>A <b>Duplication</b> operation generates a <b>Duplication</b> job in the Activity Monitor.</p>                                                                                                                                                      |

**Figure 14-11** SLP that contains one Backup operation and two Duplication operations



## Import operation

Use the **Import** operation as part of Auto Image Replication. An **Import** operation in an SLP indicates that the SLP is to automatically import images into the target master domain. An SLP that contains an **Import** operation is referred to as an **Import SLP**.

**Figure 14-12** Import operation in the New Storage Operation dialog box

The screenshot shows the 'New Storage Operation' dialog box. The 'Source' field is set to '---'. The 'Operation' dropdown menu is set to 'Import'. The 'Storage' section has a 'Storage unit' dropdown menu. The 'Retention' section has a 'Retention type' dropdown menu set to 'Fixed' and a 'Retention period' dropdown menu set to '2 weeks (level 1)'. The 'Import' section has an 'Override operation priority' checkbox and a numeric input field set to '0'. At the bottom are 'OK', 'Cancel', and 'Help' buttons.

**Table 14-6** Import operation characteristics

| Characteristic         | Description                                                                                                                                                                           |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage unit selection | An <b>Import</b> operation can import only from a backup storage unit or a backup storage unit group. It cannot import from a snapshot storage unit or a snapshot storage unit group. |
| Child of               | An <b>Import</b> operation cannot serve as the child of any other operation.                                                                                                          |

Table 14-6 Import operation characteristics (continued)

| Characteristic  | Description                                                                                                                                                               |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Source for      | An <b>Import</b> operation can be the source of a <b>Duplication</b> operation.<br>At least one operation in the SLP must use the <b>Target retention</b> retention type. |
| Hierarchy notes | If an SLP contains an <b>Import</b> operation, it must be the first in the operations list and the only <b>Import</b> operation.                                          |
| Job type        | An <b>Import</b> operation generates an <b>Import</b> job in the Activity Monitor.                                                                                        |

The **Override job priority** option can be selected. It allows administrators to specify a job priority for any import jobs which use this SLP.

## Index From Snapshot operation

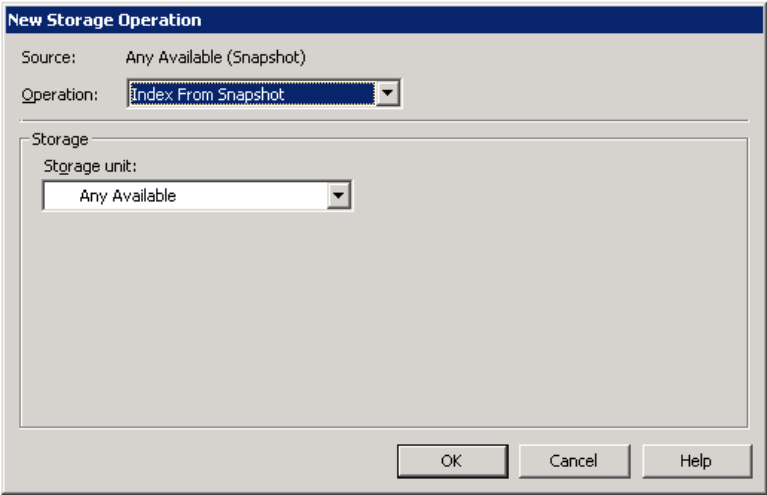
Use the **Index From Snapshot** operation to index (that is, to catalog) snapshots. Indexing a snapshot creates an image .*if* file for the snapshot in the NetBackup catalog. With the image .*if* file in place, the administrator can browse and restore files and directories from any copy of that snapshot, even those in long-term storage.

The adminstrator can restore the files by using the NetBackup **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface or the **Restore** operation in OpsCenter. Use the `bplist` command to view the contents of the .*if* file.

Without the **Index From Snapshot** operation, it is not possible to browse and restore individual files and folders.

A storage unit selection is not required for this operation because nothing is written to storage. A storage unit selection simply associates a media server with this operation.

**Figure 14-13** Index From Snapshot operation in the New Storage Operation dialog box



For more information on OpsCenter Operational Restore, see the *Symantec OpsCenter Administrator's Guide*.

Keep in mind the following items before using the **Index From Snapshot** operation:

- The **Index From Snapshot** operation is supported only in a Replication Director configuration.
- **Standard** and **MS-Windows** backup policy types support the use of storage lifecycle policies that contain the **Index From Snapshot** operation.  
The **Index From Snapshot** operation is not supported for any policy that uses NDMP. (For example, an **NDMP** policy, or a **Standard** or **MS-Windows** policy with NDMP **Data Mover** enabled.)

**Table 14-7** Index From Snapshot operation characteristics

| Characteristic         | Description                                                                                                                                |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage unit selection | Select the same storage unit that is selected for the <b>Snapshot</b> operation.                                                           |
| Child of               | When an <b>Index From Snapshot</b> operation appears in an SLP, it must be the child of a <b>Snapshot</b> or <b>Replication</b> operation. |
| Source for             | While an <b>Index From Snapshot</b> operation cannot be the source for any operation, a <b>Replication</b> operation can follow it.        |
| Hierarchy notes        | See <a href="#">“Positioning the Index From Snapshot operation in the operations list of an SLP”</a> on page 563.                          |

Table 14-7 Index From Snapshot operation characteristics (continued)

| Characteristic | Description                                                                                                 |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Job type       | An <b>Index From Snapshot</b> operation generates a <b>Index From Snapshot</b> job in the Activity Monitor. |

Positioning the Index From Snapshot operation in the operations list of an SLP

The **Index From Snapshot** operation differs from other operations in that it is does not create a copy of a snapshot or backup.

Keep in mind that even though the **Index From Snapshot** operation does not create a copy, the existence of the operation in the SLP counts toward the number indicated by the **Maximum backup copies**. The **Maximum backup copies** property in the **Global Attributes** host properties specifies the total number of backup copies that can exist in the NetBackup catalog.

Use the following points to determine where to position the **Index From Snapshot** operation in the operations list of an SLP:

- Use the **Index From Snapshot** operation in an SLP only once. A restore can be performed from any snapshot after one image .*fr* file is created.
- An **Index From Snapshot** operation cannot have any dependents. An SLP cannot validate an **Index From Snapshot** operation with children. [Figure 14-14](#) shows an SLP with a valid configuration. [Figure 14-15](#) is also a valid configuration. A **Replication** operation follows the **Index From Snapshot** operation, but it is not indented. The **Replication** operation is a child of the **Snapshot** operation, not a child of the **Index From Snapshot** operation.  
To add a **Replication** operation after an **Index From Snapshot** operation, click on the **Snapshot** operation, and then click **Add**.
- Additional system resources are required for NetBackup to create an image .*fr* file.  
Each NetBackup environment needs to determine where the operation works best in a specific SLP. To place the **Index From Snapshot** operation too early (toward the top of the operations list), may consume time when the restore capabilities are not needed. To place the operation too late (toward the end of the operations list) may cause the administrator to delay a restore until earlier snapshots or replications complete.
- Any operations list that includes a **Backup** operation does not need an **Index From Snapshot** operation. The **Backup** operation creates an image .*fr* file.

The only exception is if the index is needed for restores before the **Backup** operation occurs.

**Figure 14-14** Example 1 of a valid placement of the Index From Snapshot operation

Change Storage Lifecycle Policy

Configuration

Validation Report

Storage lifecycle policy name:

Data classification

testSLP2

<No data classif

| Operation           | Storage Unit  |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Snapshot            | STU_Primary1  |
| Replication         | STU_2         |
| Index From Snapshot | Any Available |

**Figure 14-15** Example 2 of a valid placement of the Index From Snapshot operation

Change Storage Lifecycle Policy

Configuration

Validation Report

Storage lifecycle policy name:

Data classification

testSLP

<No data classif

| Operation           | Storage Unit  |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Snapshot            | STU_Primary1  |
| Index From Snapshot | Any Available |
| Replication         | STU_2         |

## Replication operation

Use the **Replication** operation to create a copy of a snapshot. Use a **Replication** operation in a storage lifecycle policy for a NetBackup Replication Director configuration.



Figure 14-16      Replication operation in the New Storage Operation dialog box

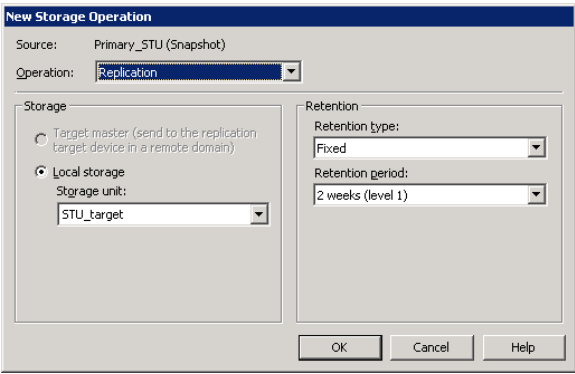


Table 14-8      Replication operation characteristics

| Characteristic         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage unit selection | <p>Under <b>Local storage</b>, select the <b>Storage unit</b> that is configured to contain replicated snapshots. The <b>Target master</b> option is used for Auto Image Replication and is not selectable in a Replication Director configuration.</p> <p>A <b>Replication</b> operation must have the same type of storage unit as its source operation.</p> <p>For snapshot replication with Replication Director, the source operation must be a snapshot storage unit or a snapshot storage unit group.</p> |
| Child of               | A <b>Replication</b> operation can be the child of a <b>Snapshot</b> operation or another <b>Replication</b> operation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Source for             | <p>A <b>Replication</b> operation can be the source for the following operations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Replication</b></li><li>■ <b>Backup From Snapshot</b></li></ul> <p>See <a href="#">“Backup From Snapshot operation”</a> on page 557.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Job type               | A <b>Replication</b> operation generates a <b>Replication</b> job in the Activity Monitor.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

See [“About Replication Director”](#) on page 896.

## Snapshot operation

A **Snapshot** operation creates a point-in-time, read-only, disk-based copy of a client volume. NetBackup provides several types of snapshots, depending on the device where the snapshot occurs.

Use a **Snapshot** operation as the first operation in a storage lifecycle policy for a NetBackup Replication Director configuration.

Figure 14-17 Snapshot operation in the New Storage Operation dialog box

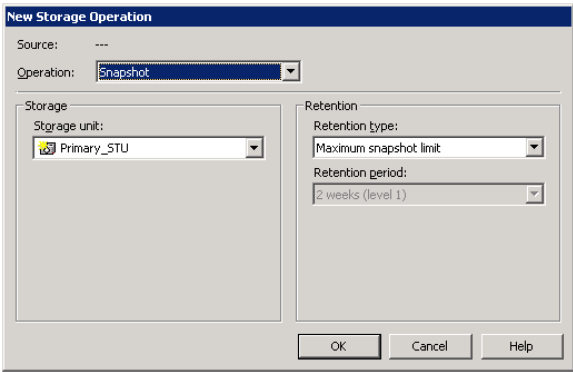


Table 14-9 Snapshot operation characteristics

| Characteristic         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage unit selection | <p>The following topics describe types of snapshot storage units that can be used as the storage for a snapshot operation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ See <a href="#">“Primary snapshot storage unit”</a> on page 569.</li><li>■ See <a href="#">“Primary + Replication source snapshot storage unit”</a> on page 570.</li><li>■ See <a href="#">“Replication source + Replication target snapshot storage unit”</a> on page 571.</li><li>■ See <a href="#">“Replication target snapshot storage unit”</a> on page 571.</li><li>■ See <a href="#">“Replication source + Replication target + Mirror snapshot storage unit”</a> on page 572.</li><li>■ See <a href="#">“Replication source + Replication target + Mirror snapshot storage unit”</a> on page 572.</li></ul> <p>A <b>Storage unit</b> selection is necessary in the following situations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ If the <b>Snapshot</b> is to be used by a subsequent <b>Replication</b> operation. The storage unit that is specified for the <b>Snapshot</b> operation must be a snapshot-capable storage unit that represents the primary storage.</li><li>■ If the SLP contains only one operation and that is a <b>Snapshot</b> operation, specify a storage unit. NetBackup uses that storage unit to determine which media server to use to launch the snapshot job.</li></ul> <p>If neither situation applies to the SLP, the administrator may select <b>No storage unit</b> or may simply make no selection. NetBackup uses the storage unit that is selected for the <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation.</p> |

**Table 14-9** Snapshot operation characteristics (*continued*)

| Characteristic  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Child of        | A <b>Snapshot</b> operation cannot be the child of another operation.                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Source for      | A <b>Snapshot</b> operation can be the source for the following operations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Backup From Snapshot</b></li> <li>■ <b>Index From Snapshot</b></li> <li>■ <b>Replication</b> operation</li> </ul> |
| Hierarchy notes | <p>If a <b>Snapshot</b> operation appears in an SLP, it must be first in the operations list.</p> <p>An SLP can contain a maximum of four <b>Snapshot</b> operations.</p>                                                                 |
| Job type        | A <b>Snapshot</b> operation generates a <b>Snapshot</b> job in the Activity Monitor.                                                                                                                                                      |

See [“About configuring storage lifecycle policies for snapshots and snapshot replication”](#) on page 567.

See [“Upgrades and policies that use Instant Recovery”](#) on page 675.

## About configuring storage lifecycle policies for snapshots and snapshot replication

A storage lifecycle policy (SLP) contains instructions in the form of storage operations, to be applied to the data. Operations are added to the SLP that determine how the data is stored and copied or replicated. For example, the NetBackup administrator creates an operation that determines where the data exists as a snapshot, as a replication, or as a duplication. The administrator also determines the retention of the data at each storage unit or storage unit group.

After the SLP is configured for different operations, the NetBackup administrator configures a backup policy that points to the snapshot SLP.

Storage operations that are defined in the SLP use storage units that represent disk pools.

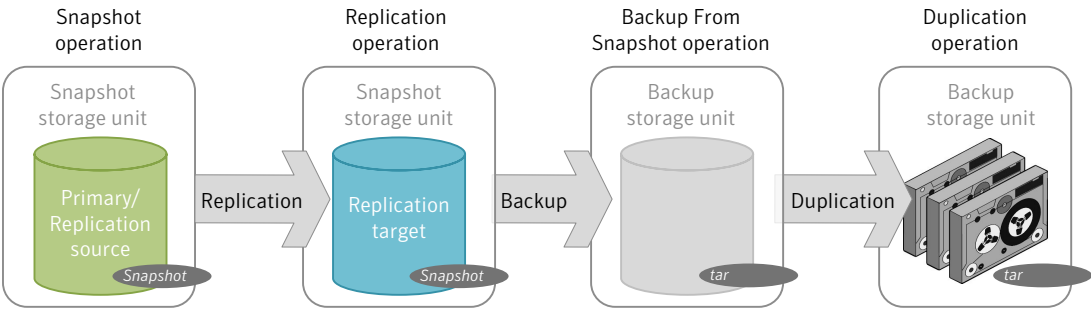
An SLP that is configured for snapshots or snapshot replication must contain a specific, hierarchical combination of operations.

The following figure represents an SLP for a replication scenario. In the example, the following operations are used:

- A **Snapshot** operation creates a snapshot.
- A **Replication** operation replicates the snapshot to another volume.

- A **Backup From Snapshot** operation creates a tar-formatted backup from the snapshot.
- A **Duplication** operation copies the backup to tape.

Table 14-10 describes the four types of operations that are required in this example replication scenario.



**Table 14-10** Example of a storage lifecycle policy configured for snapshots and snapshot replication

| Operation order in SLP      | Operation                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1                           | <b>Snapshot</b>             | Operation 1 creates a snapshot in the primary storage. The snapshot serves as the source for the other operations in the SLP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The operation must be a <b>Snapshot</b> operation.</li><li>■ The storage must be a snapshot storage unit that has the following properties set: <b>Primary</b> and <b>Replication source</b>.</li></ul> <b>Note:</b> Only one operation to a <b>Primary</b> storage unit is permitted in an SLP.                               |
| 2<br>(Child to operation 1) | <b>Replication</b>          | Operation 2 replicates the snapshot created by the first operation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The operation must be a <b>Replication</b> operation and it must be the replication partner to the source storage unit.</li><li>■ The storage must be a snapshot storage unit that has the <b>Replication target</b> property set. Since no other replica is created from this operation in this example, it does not need to have the <b>Replication source</b> property set.</li></ul> |
| 3<br>(Child to operation 2) | <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> | Operation 3 creates a tar-formatted backup copy of the snapshot. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The operation must be a <b>Backup From Snapshot</b> operation. This operation creates a backup image from the snapshot.</li><li>■ The storage must be a backup storage unit.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

**Table 14-10** Example of a storage lifecycle policy configured for snapshots and snapshot replication (*continued*)

| Operation order in SLP          | Operation          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 4<br><br>(Child to operation 3) | <b>Duplication</b> | Operation 4 makes a duplicate copy from the tar backup copy. In this example, the copy is duplicated to tape media. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The operation must be a <b>Duplication</b> operation. This operation creates a backup copy of the tar-formatted image.</li><li>■ The storage must be a backup storage unit.</li></ul> |

Primary snapshot storage unit

A snapshot operation can use a **Primary** snapshot storage unit. That is, the storage unit represents a disk pool that contains the volumes that have only the **Primary** property set.

Figure 14-18 shows an SLP that contains one primary-only **Snapshot** operation, one **Backup From Snapshot** operation, and one **Duplication** operation. The **Backup From Snapshot** operation is used to create a backup from the snapshot on the primary-only **Snapshot** operation. After the backup is created, it is duplicated to a **Duplication** operation.

**Figure 14-18** SLP that contains a Snapshot operation, a Backup From Snapshot operation, and a Duplication operation

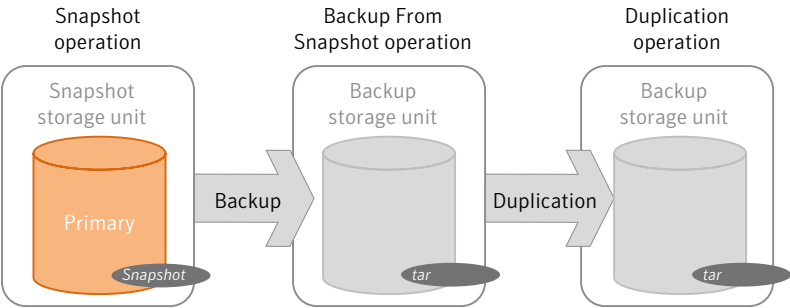


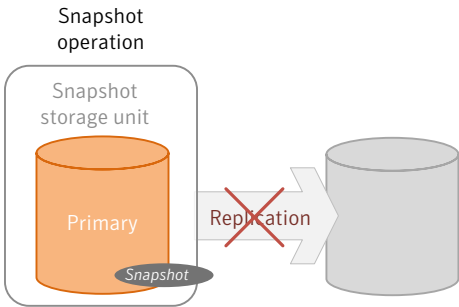
Figure 14-19 shows a storage lifecycle policy that contains one primary-only **Snapshot** operation.

The SLP in Figure 14-19 cannot perform replication for the following reasons:

- The primary-only operation does not have the source property set so that it can act as a source for replication.

- The SLP does not contain a **Replication target** for a replica.

**Figure 14-19** SLP that contains one Snapshot operation

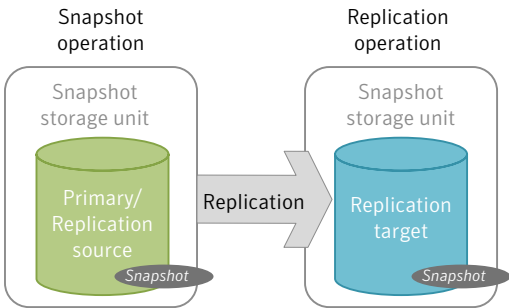


### Primary + Replication source snapshot storage unit

An SLP operation can use a **Primary + Replication source** snapshot storage unit. That is, the storage unit represents a disk pool that contains volumes that have both the **Primary** property and the **Replication source** property set.

Figure 14-20 shows an SLP that contains a **Primary + Replication source** snapshot storage unit as one operation and one **Replication target** snapshot storage unit as another operation. The **Primary + Replication source** storage unit can replicate to the **Replication target** storage unit.

**Figure 14-20** SLP that contains a Snapshot operation and a Replication operation



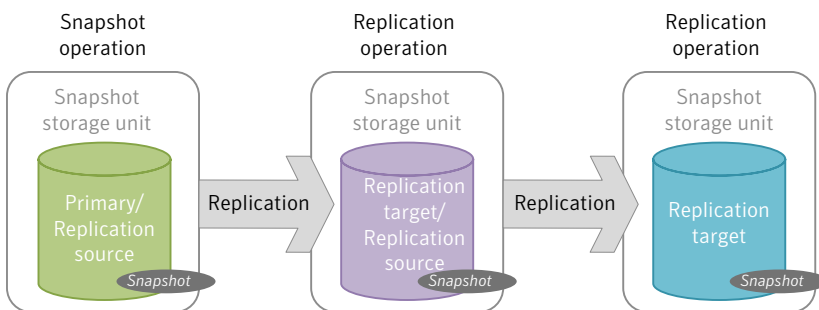
Similar to an SLP that contains only one **Primary** snapshot storage unit operation, an SLP that contains only one **Primary + Replication source** storage unit operation cannot perform replication because the SLP does not contain a **Replication target**.

## Replication source + Replication target snapshot storage unit

An SLP operation can use a snapshot storage unit that represents a disk pool that contains volumes that have the following properties: **Replication source** and **Replication target**.

A snapshot storage unit with these properties can serve as both the **Replication source** for another operation in the SLP, and as the **Replication target** for another operation in the SLP.

**Figure 14-21** SLP that contains a Snapshot operation and two Replication operations

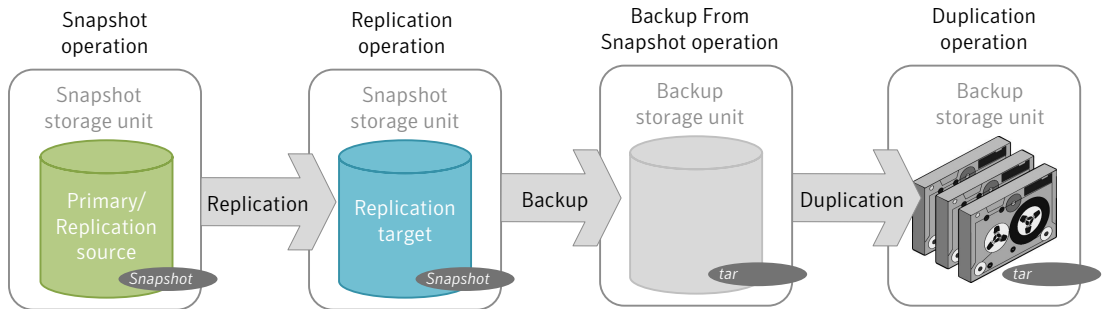


## Replication target snapshot storage unit

An SLP operation can use a snapshot storage unit that represents a disk pool that contains volumes that have only the **Replication target** property set.

An operation with this property can serve only as a **Replication target** for another operation in the SLP. It cannot serve as source for a replica, but it can serve as the source for a **Duplication** operation.

**Figure 14-22** SLP that contains a Snapshot operation, a Replication operation, a Backup From Snapshot operation, and a Duplication operation



### Replication source + Replication target + Mirror snapshot storage unit

An SLP can use a snapshot storage unit that represents a disk pool that contains volumes that have the following properties: **Replication source**, **Replication target**, and **Mirror**.

An operation with these properties can serve as both:

- A **Replication source** in a cascading configuration.
- A mirrored **Replication target** in a cascading configuration. A mirrored **Replication target** must have a forced **Mirror** retention type.

### Replication target + Mirror snapshot storage unit

An SLP can use a snapshot storage unit that represented a disk pool that contains volumes that have the following properties: **Replication target** and **Mirror**.

A mirrored **Replication target** must have a forced **Mirror** retention type.

## Operation types in a storage lifecycle policy

In the **New** or **Change Storage Operation** dialog box, select the next operation that the SLP is to perform.

The **New** or **Change Storage Operation** dialog box is initiated by clicking the **Add** button in the **New** or **Change Storage Lifecycle Policy** dialog box.

Different operations appear in the dialog box, depending on the **Operation** selection.



The **Operation** selections are the instructions for the storage lifecycle policy. A storage operation can be configured for the following purposes:

- See “[Backup operation](#)” on page 555.
- See “[Backup From Snapshot operation](#)” on page 557.
- See “[Duplication operation](#)” on page 558.
- See “[Import operation](#)” on page 560.
- See “[Index From Snapshot operation](#)” on page 561.
- See “[Replication operation](#)” on page 564.
- See “[Snapshot operation](#)” on page 565.

## Retention types for storage lifecycle policy operations

The **Retention type** for an operation in a storage lifecycle policy determines how long the data is kept on that storage media.

[Table 14-11](#) describes which retention types are valid selections for the various operations.

**Table 14-11** Operation and retention type configurations

| Retention type                | Backup operation | Snapshot operation                    | Replication operation                                                                          | Backup From Snapshot operation | Duplication operation                                 |
|-------------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Fixed</b>                  | Valid            | Valid                                 | Valid                                                                                          | Valid                          | Valid                                                 |
| <b>Expire after copy</b>      | Valid            | Valid                                 | Invalid                                                                                        | Valid                          | Valid                                                 |
| <b>Maximum Snapshot limit</b> | Invalid          | Valid; SLP honors the policy setting. | Invalid                                                                                        | Invalid                        | Invalid                                               |
| <b>Mirror</b>                 | Invalid          | Invalid                               | Valid for snapshot storage only                                                                | Invalid                        | Valid for snapshot storage only                       |
| <b>Target retention</b>       | Invalid          | Invalid                               | Valid if the first operation in the SLP is an Import and if the storage is of the backup type. | Invalid                        | Valid if the first operation in the SLP is an Import. |

Table 14-11      Operation and retention type configurations *(continued)*

| Retention type   | Backup operation                                        | Snapshot operation | Replication operation | Backup From Snapshot operation | Duplication operation                                   |
|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Capacity managed | Valid; AdvancedDisk default; set on the storage server. | Invalid            | Invalid               | Invalid                        | Valid; AdvancedDisk default; set on the storage server. |

**Note:** No retention is associated with the **Index From Snapshot** operation because the operation does not create any copy.

Capacity managed retention type for SLP operations

A **Capacity managed** operation means that NetBackup automatically manages the space on the storage, based on the **High water mark** setting for each volume. **Capacity managed** is not available to tape storage units since tape capacity is considered to be infinite.

The **High water mark** and **Low water mark** settings on the disk storage unit or disk pool determine how the space is managed.

See “[High water mark storage unit setting](#)” on page 499.

See “[Low water mark storage unit setting](#)” on page 500.

An image copy with a **Capacity Managed** retention is not eligible for expiration until its dependent copies have been created.

If space is needed for new images, NetBackup removes expired backup images from a capacity managed disk volume in two passes, as follows:

- Pass one
- NetBackup removes any backup images that are past the **Desired cache period** setting. NetBackup removes images until the low water mark is reached or all images that are past the **Desired cache period** are removed.

Pass two      Pass two processing is initiated if the outcome of the pass one processing is one of the following:

- The disk pool remains over the high water mark.
- The number of volumes in the disk pool under the high water mark is less than the number of media servers that access the disk pool.

NetBackup removes images until the low water mark is reached or all images that are not past the **Desired cache period** are removed.

An image may be deleted if it has not been duplicated for all operations in a storage lifecycle policy. If the operating system time is past the date that matches the longest retention period for an image, the image is eligible for deletion.

To see exactly when the storage reaches the low water mark value is difficult. A backup can occur at the same time as the expiration process occurs. After the backup is complete, the low water mark may be slightly greater than its lowest possible value.

The retention period for capacity managed storage is not assured as it is for a fixed retention period. The **Desired cache period** becomes a target that NetBackup tries to maintain. If the space is not required, the backup data could remain on the storage longer than the **Desired cache period** indicates.

**Capacity managed** is selectable for any disk storage unit that is allowed in a storage lifecycle policy. However, for the disk types that support single-instance storage (SIS), **Capacity managed** functions to various degrees. In order for **Capacity managed** to operate, NetBackup must know how much space a backup image uses. With SIS enabled on the storage unit, NetBackup cannot know exactly how much space a particular backup image occupies.

The following storage unit configurations use SIS:

- PureDisk storage units
- Some OpenStorage storage units, depending on the characteristics of the OpenStorage partner.

### **Rules and recommendations for using the Capacity Managed retention type**

Use the following recommendations and rules when configuring storage operations or when selecting the storage location for a policy:

- Symantec does not recommend allowing **Capacity Managed** images and **Fixed** retention images to be written to the same volume in a disk storage unit. The volume may fill with fixed-retention images and not allow the space management logic to operate as expected.

- All SLPs that write to a volume in a disk storage unit should write images of the same retention type: **Fixed** or **Capacity Managed**.
- Do not write images both to a volume in a disk storage unit within a storage lifecycle policy and to the same volume (by the storage unit) directly from a policy.
- Mark all disk storage units that are used with SLPs as **On demand only**.
- Check any storage unit groups to make sure that fixed and capacity-managed images cannot be written to the same volume in a disk storage unit.

### Capacity managed retention type and disk types that support SIS

**Capacity managed** is selectable for any disk storage unit that is allowed in an SLP. However, for the disk types that support single-instance storage (SIS), **Capacity managed** functions to various degrees. In order for **Capacity managed** to operate, NetBackup must know how much space a backup image uses. With SIS enabled on the storage unit, NetBackup cannot know exactly how much space a particular backup image occupies.

The following storage unit configurations use SIS:

- PureDisk storage units
- Some OpenStorage storage units, depending on the vendor characteristics.

### Expire after copy retention type for SLP operations

The **Expire after copy** retention indicates that after all direct child copies are successfully duplicated to other storage, the data on this storage is expired. The last operation in the SLP cannot use the **Expire after copy** retention type because no subsequent copy is configured. Therefore, an operation with this retention type must have a child.

If a policy is configured to back up to an SLP, the retention that is indicated in the SLP is the value that is used. The **Retention** attribute in the schedule is not used.

An image copy with an **Expire after copy** retention is expired as soon as all of its direct child copies have been successfully created. Any mirrored children must also be eligible for expiration.

### Fixed retention type for SLP operations

The **Fixed** retention indicates that the data on the storage is retained for the specified length of time, after which the backups are expired.

An image copy with a **Fixed** retention is eligible for expiration when all of the following criteria are met:

- The **Fixed** retention period for the copy has expired.
- All child copies have been created.
- All child copies that are mirror copies are eligible for expiration.

The **Fixed** retention period is always marked from the original backup time of the image. For example, if a tape device is down, causing a 2-day delay in creating a duplicate tape copy, the expiration time of the duplicate copy is not different due to the 2-day delay. The expiration time of the duplicate copy is still  $x$  days from the time that the original backup was completed. It does not matter when the copy was created.

## Maximum snapshot limit retention type for SLP operations

Only snapshot operations use the **Maximum snapshot limit** retention type. This retention indicates that the snapshot copy has no defined expiration time and is to be deleted based on the maximum snapshot limit that is defined in the policy.

The maximum number of snapshots is defined in the **Snapshot Client** properties section of the policy.

See [“Snapshot Client \(policy attributes\)”](#) on page 659.

## Mirror retention type for SLP operations

A mirror replica is eligible for expiration as soon as:

- All immediate child copies are successfully created.
- All immediate child copies that are mirrors are eligible for expiration.

The **Mirror** retention cannot be selected by the NetBackup administrator directly. The **Mirror** retention is automatically selected if the storage device is a mirror, configured by the storage administrator.

In mirror replication, the replica copy is dependent on the existence of the source. (The source could be the original snapshot or another replica.) Therefore, the retention of the replica depends on the retention of the source. If the source is deleted, the mirror is automatically deleted. If the mirror is deleted first, it is automatically recreated to maintain its mirror status.

In non-mirror replication, the replica is independent of the source and can have an independent retention. If the source is deleted, the non-mirror replica is not impacted and can be used longer than the source. Or, if the replica is deleted first, it is not recreated and the source can be kept longer than the replica.

## Target retention type for SLP operations

This setting is used in Auto Image Replication in an Import storage lifecycle policy. Every Import SLP must have at least one operation with a **Target retention**.

The **Target retention** is enforced at the target domain, but the actual retention for the data is specified by the administrator at the source domain.

**Target retention** indicates that the data at the target master shall use the expiration date that was imported with the image. The date is fixed because the copy must have a fixed retention.

Similar to the **Fixed** retention, an image copy with a **Target retention** retention is eligible for expiration when all of the following criteria are met:

- The **Fixed** retention period for the copy has expired.
- All child copies have been created.
- All child copies that are mirror copies are eligible for expiration.

See [“About NetBackup Auto Image Replication”](#) on page 872.

## Retention type mixing for storage operations

Symantec does not recommend allowing capacity-managed images and fixed-retention images to be written to the same volume in a disk storage unit. The volume may fill with fixed-retention images and not allow the space management logic to operate as expected.

Keep in mind the following points when configuring SLP operations or selecting the storage location for a policy:

- All SLPs that write to a volume in a disk storage unit should write images of the same retention type: fixed or capacity-managed.
- Do not write images both to a volume in a disk storage unit within an SLP and to the same volume (by the storage unit) directly from a policy.
- Mark all disk storage units that are used with SLPs as **On demand only**.
- Check any storage unit groups to make sure that fixed and capacity-managed images cannot be written to the same volume in a disk storage unit.

## About writing multiple copies using a storage lifecycle policy

A storage lifecycle policy can be used to create multiple copies of backups and snapshots.

NetBackup permits only one method to create multiple copies to be in use at one time. Use only one of the following methods:

- Enable the **Multiple copies** option in a policy configuration.  
If a policy has the **Multiple copies** option enabled, the policy cannot select a storage lifecycle policy as the **Policy storage**.  
See “[Multiple copies \(schedule attribute\)](#)” on page 675.
- Add multiple **Backup** operations or one or more **Duplication** or **Replication** operations to the operations list of the SLP.  
See “[New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings](#)” on page 553.

The same criteria for creating copies applies to both methods.

The following topics are considerations when storage lifecycle policies are used to create multiple copies.

## How the order of the operations determines the copy order

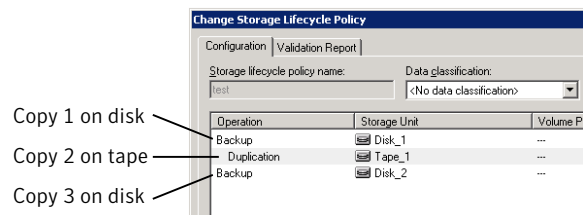
The order in which the operations appear in a storage lifecycle policy determines the copy number.

For example, in [Figure 14-23](#) a lifecycle is configured to create three copies:

- Two copies as part of two different backup operations.
- One copy as part of a duplication operation.

To make sure that copy 1 is written to disk, place the **Backup** operation that writes to a disk storage unit before the **Backup** operation that writes to a tape storage unit.

**Figure 14-23** Operation order determines copy order



## About ensuring successful copies using lifecycles

The process to create copies as part of a storage lifecycle policy differs from the process to create copies as set up in a policy. The policy’s **Configure Multiple Copies** dialog box includes the option to **Fail all copies**. That option means that if one copy fails, the remaining copies can be set to either continue or fail.

In an SLP, all copies must be completed. An SLP initially tries three times to create a copy. If no copy is created, NetBackup continues to try, but less frequently.

The successful completion of copies is important because an SLP does not allow a copy to be expired before all copy operations in the SLP are complete. NetBackup changes the retention period of a copy to Infinity until all copies are created. After all copies are complete, the retention returns to the level as set in the policy.

To create successful copies, a **Backup** operation may be required to duplicate a backup onto the storage unit for another **Backup** operation.

Consider the following example: The operations list for an SLP contains two **Backup** operations to two storage units (BU\_1, BU\_2) and three **Duplication** operations.

The backup to BU\_1 is successful, but the backup to BU\_2 is unsuccessful.

To fulfill the backup on BU\_2, NetBackup creates a duplication job from BU\_1 to BU\_2. The duplication job is in addition to the jobs that are run for the three duplication operations.

Duplication jobs can be controlled by using the `nbstlutil` command.

See [“Lifecycle operation administration using the nbstlutil command”](#) on page 591.

## About storage lifecycle policy versions

Once a storage lifecycle policy is configured, it runs according to a single configuration or definition. The definition affects the operations once they begin to run as well as the copies once the image is in process.

The ability to create SLP versions lets administrators safely modify a definition without waiting until all of the copies that are associated with the SLP have been processed. Each copy that an SLP manages is tagged with the SLP name and the SLP version number. These two attributes are written into the image header, in the NetBackup image catalog. Whenever an administrator creates or changes an SLP, NetBackup creates a new version (between 0 and  $n$ ). New jobs use the most recent SLP version.

When a new job is submitted to the Activity Monitor, the job is tagged with the most recent SLP version number. The processing of a copy that is associated with a version remains fixed according to that version of the SLP definition. It is fixed at job time and does not change, unless the administrator uses the `nbstl` command to modify an existing version. Whenever the SLP is modified using the **NetBackup Administration Console** or `bpadm`, a new version is created.

An SLP version remains as long as there are any incomplete images that refer to the version.



## Storage lifecycle changes and versioning

Administrators can make changes to a storage lifecycle policy in one of the following ways:

- Using the **NetBackup Administration Console** or `bpadm` command.  
 Any change that an administrator makes to an SLP using the **NetBackup Administration Console** or `bpadm` creates a new SLP version. The new version is created when the changes to the SLP are committed or saved. The **NetBackup Administration Console** and `bpadm` always display the most recent version.
- Using the `nbstl` command.  
 If an administrator uses `nbstl` to change an SLP, `nbstl` creates a new version by default.  
 However, the `nbstl` command contains options to view different versions and to modify the definitions of existing SLP versions without creating a new version. The options are as follows:

|                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>-all_versions</code>                                          | Use to display all versions of an SLP definition. Without specifying this option, only the most recent version is displayed by default.                                                                       |
| <code>-version <i>number</i></code>                                 | Use to display a specific version.                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>-modify_current</code>                                        | Use with most <code>nbstl</code> configuration options to make changes to the current SLP version without creating a new version. Knowing the current version number is not necessary if this option is used. |
| <code>-modify_version</code><br><code>-version <i>number</i></code> | Use with most <code>nbstl</code> configuration options to make changes to a specific version without creating a new version.                                                                                  |

Use `-modify_current` or `-modify_version` to change any of the following configuration options:

|                            |                                                 |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <code>-dp</code>           | The duplication priority.                       |
| <code>-residence</code>    | The storage unit to be used for each operation. |
| <code>-pool</code>         | The volume pool for each operation.             |
| <code>-server_group</code> | The server group for each operation.            |
| <code>-rl</code>           | The retention level for each operation.         |
| <code>-as</code>           | The alternate read server for each operation.   |

`-mpx` The preserve multiplexing option for duplication copies.

Some fields require values for all of the operations in the SLP. Make sure that the number of values that are specified for the fields matches the existing operation count.

For example, in an SLP that contains three operations, to change the value of one, a value must be given for all three operations. Note that the values for all three operations are replaced. To change the value for the second operation, provide the existing values for the first and the third operations.

Some configuration options cannot be changed using `-modify_current` or `-modify_version`. To change any of the following options, you must create an entirely new SLP version:

|                       |                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>-uf</code>      | The type of the operation.                                                                             |
| <code>-managed</code> | The retention type for the operation: Fixed, Capacity managed, or Expire after copy.                   |
| <code>-source</code>  | The source of an operation, used primarily in hierarchical SLP configurations.                         |
| <code>-dc</code>      | The data classification of an existing version.                                                        |
|                       | The number of operations. You cannot add an operation or remove an operation from the SLP definitions. |

See [“Creating a storage lifecycle policy”](#) on page 540.

You cannot instruct an SLP to follow the configuration of a previous version that has been superseded. To revert to the behavior of a previous version, change the definition to match the earlier definition. The change creates a version with the same content as the previous version, but with a new version number.

## When changes to storage lifecycle policies become effective

For the changes to become effective for a backlog of jobs, it may be necessary to cancel the applicable jobs.

When the `nbstl` command is used to alter an existing storage lifecycle policy version, those changes may not become effective immediately. The images that are managed by the SLP version that was altered may already belong to a job that is Active or Queued, as seen in the Activity Monitor. Once a job is queued, the characteristics (SLP attributes) are fixed for that job and subsequent changes to the definition have no effect. To make changes effective for a backlog of jobs, cancel the duplication jobs. The storage lifecycle policy manager creates and

submits new duplication jobs for those images, using the changes to the configuration.

The following are conditions under which changes to an existing version are not immediately effective:

- Changes to a **Backup** operation have no effect because the backup job is already underway or completed.
- Changes to a **Duplication** operation do not affect the copies that previous duplication jobs created.
- Changes to a **Duplication** operation do not affect the copies that have already been submitted and are currently represented by a duplication job in the Activity Monitor, whether it be Active or Queued. If you want your changes to apply to those active duplication jobs, cancel the applicable duplication jobs. Once the job is canceled, `nbstserv` re-forms and re-submits new duplication jobs for these copies, using the changes to the appropriate version of the SLP.
- Changes to a **Duplication** operation affect the copies that have not yet been created and have not yet been submitted. (That is, they are not yet represented by a duplication job in the Activity Monitor). Your changes become effective for the next duplication session. Whenever `nbstserv` begins a new session, it re-reads the definitions for processing instructions.
- If a duplication job does not complete successfully, unfinished images in the job are submitted as part of a new job. Changes to the version affect the resubmitted job.

## Deleting old storage lifecycle policy versions

When a version of a storage lifecycle policy is no longer the active (or most recent) version, the version is subject to deletion. NetBackup automatically deletes the inactive **Duplication** version after all the copies that refer to it have finished processing. When the copies are complete, they are considered SLP-complete.

By default, NetBackup deletes an inactive SLP version after 14 days.

The following `LIFECYCLE_PARAMETER` entries apply to version deletion:

- `CLEANUP_SESSION_INTERVAL_HOURS`
- `VERSION_CLEANUP_DELAY_HOURS`

# LIFECYCLE\_PARAMETERS file for optional SLP-managed job configuration

The NetBackup administrator can customize how the NetBackup Storage Lifecycle Manager (`nbstserv`) runs duplication and import jobs.

Both the Duplication Manager service and the Import Manager service run within `nbstserv`. [Table 14-12](#) describes the role of each service.

**Table 14-12**      Role of the `nbstserv` services

| nbstserv service    | Purpose of service                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Location of LIFECYCLE_PARAMETER file                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Duplication Manager | Manages all operations within a storage lifecycle policy except the <b>Import</b> operation.<br><br>In the Auto Image Replication process, the Duplication Manager duplicates images and creates batches of the images to be imported to the target domain. | Configure Duplication Manager parameters in the source domain to tune jobs for Auto Image Replication.<br><br><b>Note:</b> The Duplication Manager parameters affect all SLP duplications, even those that are not duplicated to a target master server. Exercise caution when tuning for one case or the other. |
| Import Manager      | In the Auto Image Replication process, the Import Manager monitors a worklist in EMM for images to be imported and initiates <code>bpimport</code> jobs for those images.                                                                                   | If the NetBackup environment is configured for Auto Image Replication jobs, configure Import Manager parameters in the target domain.<br><br><a href="#">See “About NetBackup Auto Image Replication” on page 872.</a>                                                                                           |

The `nbstserv` default values work well for most environments. To change the values, the administrator must create a file named `LIFECYCLE_PARAMETERS` and save it in the following location:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/config
```

One or all of the parameters in [Table 14-13](#) can appear in the `LIFECYCLE_PARAMETERS` file in any order. If the file does not exist, NetBackup uses the defaults as indicated.

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**Note:** In previous NetBackup versions, the syntax for the parameters did not require an equal (=) symbol. In upgraded environments, NetBackup automatically corrects the syntax to add the equal symbol.

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**Table 14-13** Lifecycle parameters

| Parameter                                                                                                                               | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <p>AUTO_CREATE_IMPORT_SLP</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Import Manager and <b>Import</b> operations only</p>                                   | <p>Indicates to the Import Manager how NetBackup should handle notifications from storage about images for which there is no matching Import SLP.</p> <p>The entry is Boolean, where a non-zero value directs NetBackup to create an SLP definition that uses the name that was provided in the import notification to the storage device.</p> <p>Syntax: AUTO_CREATE_IMPORT_SLP = 0   1</p> <p>0 = Select 0 to indicate that NetBackup should not automatically create an Import SLP if a notification is received for an Import SLP which does not exist.</p> <p>To remove the parameter from the LIFECYCLE_PARAMETERS file has the same effect as 0.</p> <p>1 = Select 1 to automatically create an Import SLP if a notification is received for an Import SLP which does not exist.</p> <p>The SLP that is automatically created has the following characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The SLP is always a data classification of <b>None</b>.</li> <li>■ The SLP always uses the default import priority.</li> <li>■ The SLP always specifies any storage unit which includes the device from which the event was received.</li> </ul> <p>Default: 1; storage lifecycle policies are created automatically.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the storage lifecycle policies required for Auto Image Replication”</a> on page 884.</p> |
| <p>CLEANUP_SESSION_INTERVAL_HOURS</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Duplication Manager and all operations except for <b>Import</b> operations</p> | <p>Concerns the deletion of SLP versions where a more recent version exists.</p> <p>Controls how often <code>nbstserv</code> looks for the versions that have been deleted.</p> <p>Syntax: CLEANUP_SESSION_INTERVAL_HOURS = <i>nn_hours</i></p> <p>Default: 24 (24 hours).</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Deleting old storage lifecycle policy versions”</a> on page 583.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

**Table 14-13** Lifecycle parameters (*continued*)

| Parameter                                                                                                                                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| <p>DUPLICATION_GROUP_CRITERIA</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Duplication Manager and <b>Duplication</b> operations only</p>                           | <p>Indicates how batches are created. The entry applies to the use of tape and disk.</p> <p>Syntax: DUPLICATION_GROUP_CRITERIA = 0   1</p> <p>0 = Select 0 to indicate that batches be created based on the SLP.</p> <p>1 = Select 1 to indicate that batches be created based on the <b>Priority for secondary operations</b> setting from the SLP. This setting allows multiple SLPs of the same priority to be together in one job.</p> <p>Default: 1; use the <b>Priority for secondary operations</b> setting as defined in the SLP.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <p>DUPLICATION_SESSION_INTERVAL_MINUTES</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Duplication Manager and all operations except for <b>Import</b> operations</p> | <p>Indicates how frequently the Duplication Manager starts a duplication session. During a duplication session, NetBackup looks for completed backups on the storage units of <b>Backup</b> operations and decides whether or not it is time to start a new duplication job.</p> <p>Syntax: DUPLICATION_SESSION_INTERVAL_MINUTES = 5</p> <p>Default: 5 (five minutes). Minimum: one minute.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <p>IMAGE_EXTENDED_RETRY_PERIOD_IN_HOURS</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Duplication Manager and all operations except for <b>Import</b> operations</p> | <p>All copies must be completed in an SLP. If necessary, NetBackup initially tries three times to duplicate an image for an operation. The limit prevents NetBackup from retrying too frequently. If, after three tries, the operation is still unsuccessful, this parameter indicates how long NetBackup waits before the operation is added to the next duplication job. (The DUPLICATION_SESSION_INTERVAL_MINUTES parameter determines the frequency.)</p> <p>The NetBackup administrator may need more than two hours (the default) to solve the problem. Alternatively, the administrator can temporarily de-activate an SLP using <code>nbstlutil</code>.</p> <p>Syntax: IMAGE_EXTENDED_RETRY_PERIOD_IN_HOURS = 2</p> <p>Default: 2 (two hours). Minimum: one hour.</p> |
| <p>IMPORT_EXTENDED_RETRY_SESSION_TIMER</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Import Manager and <b>Import</b> operations only</p>                            | <p>After four failed attempts, the Import Manager retries at the extended retry interval indefinitely or until the number of days specified by the REPLICA_METADATA_CLEANUP_TIMER parameter has elapsed.</p> <p>Syntax: IMPORT_EXTENDED_RETRY_SESSION_TIMER = 360</p> <p>Default: 360 (360 minutes; six hours).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

**Table 14-13** Lifecycle parameters (*continued*)

| Parameter                                                                                                                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <p>IMPORT_SESSION_TIMER</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Import Manager and <b>Import</b> operations only</p>                      | <p>Indicates to the Import Manager how many minutes to wait between import sessions.</p> <p>During an import session, the Import Manager performs the following tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Cleans up image import status and increments the retry count of failed imports. The Import Manager retries in the current session. After four failed attempts to import an image, NetBackup enters an extended retry state. (See the IMPORT_EXTENDED_RETRY_SESSION_TIMER parameter description in this table.)</li> <li>■ Deletes old, unimported import records. (By default, the records are not deleted and the Import Manager retries indefinitely. For the Import Manager to delete old import records, configure the REPLICA_METADATA_CLEANUP_TIMER parameter.)</li> <li>■ Creates the batches of images for the import and starts the import jobs.</li> </ul> <p>Syntax: IMPORT_SESSION_TIMER = 5</p> <p>Default: 5 (five minutes).</p> |
| <p>MIN_GB_SIZE_PER_DUPLICATION_JOB</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Duplication Manager and <b>Duplication</b> operations only</p> | <p>Indicates the size that the batch of images should reach before one duplication job is run for the entire batch.</p> <p>The SLP does not request a duplication job until either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The aggregate size of the images in a batch reaches the minimum size as indicated by MIN_GB_SIZE_PER_DUPLICATION_JOB</li> <li>■ The MAX_MINUTES_TIL_FORCE_SMALL_DUPLICATION_JOB time passes. This parameter determines the maximum time between batch requests.</li> </ul> <p>Syntax: MIN_GB_SIZE_PER_DUPLICATION_JOB = GB_value</p> <p>Default: 7 (7 gigabytes).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <p>MAX_GB_SIZE_PER_DUPLICATION_JOB</p> <p>Affects:</p> <p>Duplication Manager and <b>Duplication</b> operations only</p> | <p>Determines how large the batch of images is allowed to grow. When the size reaches the size as indicated by this parameter, no additional images are added to the batch.</p> <p>Syntax: MAX_GB_SIZE_PER_DUPLICATION_JOB = GB_value</p> <p>Default: 25 (25 gigabytes).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

Table 14-13 Lifecycle parameters (continued)

| Parameter                                                                                                                                                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| <code>MAX_IMAGES_PER_SNAPSHOT_REPLICATION_JOB</code><br><br>Affects:<br><br>Duplication Manager and <b>Replication</b> operations in a Replication Director configuration | <p>Sets the maximum number of snapshot images that can be included in a snapshot replication job.</p> <p>The value is used to tune the size of replication jobs to avoid overloading the replication infrastructure of the OpenStorage partner.</p> <p>This parameter can be used in a Replication Director configuration to control how many snapshot jobs are sent to the disk array. To be effective, <code>MAX_IMAGES_PER_SNAPSHOT_REPLICATION_JOB</code> must be used with the <b>Limit I/O streams</b> disk pool option that limits the number of NetBackup jobs that can run concurrently to each volume in the disk pool.</p> <p>Syntax: <code>MAX_IMAGES_PER_SNAPSHOT_REPLICATION_JOB = nnn</code> where <i>nnn</i> is the number of images to allow.</p> <p>Default: 50 (50 images).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <code>MAX_MINUTES_TIL_FORCE_SMALL_DUPLICATION_JOB</code><br><br>Affects:<br><br>Duplication Manager and <b>Duplication</b> operations only                                | <p>Indicates how old any image in the group can become before the batch is submitted as a duplication job. It applies to both disk and tape.</p> <p>The <code>MAX_MINUTES_TIL_FORCE_SMALL_DUPLICATION_JOB</code> entry works differently in this release than it did in previous releases.</p> <p>A very small batch is not submitted to <code>nbstserv</code> until one source job in the batch has finished at least 30 minutes ago.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The timer does not come into effect if the total size of all the images in the batch exceeds the parameter value. Or, if all of the source media that the duplication job requires is full.</p> <p>This parameter helps to ensure a balance between the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Submitting many small duplication jobs too soon or too frequently.<br/>On the one hand, <code>nbstserv</code> doesn't want to submit a small job if there's additional work available to make the job bigger and more efficient.</li><li>■ Waiting too long before submitting a small job.<br/>On the other hand, <code>nbstserv</code> should not wait too long to submit a small job.</li></ul> <p>Syntax: <code>MAX_MINUTES_TIL_FORCE_SMALL_DUPLICATION_JOB = 30</code></p> <p>Default: 30 (30 minutes).</p> |



**Table 14-13** Lifecycle parameters (*continued*)

| Parameter                                                                                                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| REPLICATION_METADATA_CLEANUP_TIMER<br><br>Affects:<br><br>Import Manager and <b>Import</b> operations only | <p>Indicates the number of days after which the Import Manager stops trying to import the image. After the number of days indicated, the record is deleted.</p> <p>How frequently the Import Manager tries to import the images depends on the setting of the extended retry timer and session timer. The first four attempts occur at the regular session interval and the remaining attempts occur at the extended retry interval.</p> <p>Syntax: REPLICATION_METADATA_CLEANUP_TIMER = 0   <i>n</i></p> <p>Default: 0 (off).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| TAPE_RESOURCE_MULTIPLIER<br><br>Affects:<br><br>Duplication Manager and <b>Duplication</b> operations only | <p>Indicates a value which serves as the multiplier for the number of concurrently active duplication jobs that can access a single storage unit. This parameter applies to tape media.</p> <p>Storage unit configuration includes limiting the number of jobs that can access the resource at one time. (The <b>Maximum concurrent write drives</b> value.) This value specifies the optimal number of jobs that the Resource Broker can consider running on that resource.</p> <p>This parameter helps administrators ensure a balance in the following situation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ To overload the Resource Broker with jobs it can't run is not prudent.</li> <li>■ Make sure that there's enough queued work so that the devices won't become idle. The TAPE_RESOURCE_MULTIPLIER entry lets administrators tune the amount of work that the Resource Broker can evaluate for a particular storage unit.</li> </ul> <p>For example, a particular storage unit contains three write drives. If the TAPE_RESOURCE_MULTIPLIER parameter is set to two, then the limit on concurrently active jobs is six. Other duplication jobs requiring the storage unit remain queued.</p> <p>Syntax: TAPE_RESOURCE_MULTIPLIER = <i>n</i></p> <p>Default: 2 (multiplier of two).</p> |

Table 14-13 Lifecycle parameters (continued)

| Parameter                                                                                                                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| THRESHOLD_JOB_COUNT<br><br>Affects:<br><br>Duplication Manager and all operations except for <b>Import</b> operations         | <p>Controls when Duplication Manager submits jobs. Use this parameter to indicate a minimum number of jobs which acts as a threshold. Once the threshold is reached, Duplication Manager submits more jobs rather than wait until all images are processed.</p> <p>The THRESHOLD_JOB_COUNT lets the Duplication Manager submit jobs more quickly. However, the jobs that are submitted may not be as efficient as they would be if all images had been processed.</p> <p>Syntax: THRESHOLD_JOB_COUNT = <i>nn</i></p> <p>Default: 0 (no threshold exists and all jobs are processed before Duplication Manager submits more jobs).</p> |
| VERSION_CLEANUP_DELAY_HOURS<br><br>Affects:<br><br>Duplication Manager and all operations except for <b>Import</b> operations | <p>Concerns the deletion of SLP versions where a more recent version exists.</p> <p>Controls how much time must pass since an inactive version was the active version. If the version has been inactive for at least as long as the VERSION_CLEANUP_DELAY_HOURS value, NetBackup considers it for deletion.</p> <p>Syntax: VERSION_CLEANUP_DELAY_HOURS = <i>nn_hours</i></p> <p>Default: 336 (336 hours; 14 days).</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Deleting old storage lifecycle policy versions”</a> on page 583.</p>                                                                                                                       |

The following is an example of the contents and syntax for a LIFECYCLE\_PARAMETERS file using the default values:

```
DUPLICATION_SESSION_INTERVAL_MINUTES = 5
IMAGE_EXTENDED_RETRY_PERIOD_IN_HOURS = 2
MIN_GB_SIZE_PER_DUPLICATION_JOB = 7
MAX_GB_SIZE_PER_DUPLICATION_JOB = 25
MAX_MINUTES_TIL_FORCE_SMALL_DUPLICATION_JOB = 30
```

## About batch creation logic in Storage Lifecycle Manager

The Storage Lifecycle Manager service (`nbstserv`) is in charge of creating duplication jobs for storage lifecycle policies. Part of duplication job creation includes grouping the backup (or source) jobs into batches.

One objective of the batching logic is to prevent media contention for tape operations, including virtual tape libraries (VTL).

Batching logic applies to both disk and tape. (Though the method to prevent media contention for disk is to use disk pools and then to limit I/O streams to disk pools.)

The batching logic requires that for each evaluation cycle, `nbstserv` consider all completed source jobs when determining which duplication job to run next. By default, `nbstserv` performs the evaluation once every 5 minutes.

`nbstserv` avoids overloading the Resource Broker (`nbrb`) queue with jobs. Too many jobs in the queue make the role of the Resource Broker harder and slows down system performance.

By default, `nbstserv` now creates groups based on the **Priority for secondary operations** setting of each storage lifecycle policy. Multiple storage lifecycle policies with the same priority can be batched together. Even if a NetBackup environment does not use the **Priority for secondary operations** setting, it benefits from allowing multiple storage lifecycle policies in one duplication job.

See [“Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box settings”](#) on page 544.

This batching logic change affects how duplication jobs appear in the **Activity Monitor**. Storage lifecycle policies that have been combined into one job appear under a single policy name: `SLP_MultipleLifecycles`. If a storage lifecycle policy has not been combined with another, the name appears in the **Activity Monitor** under the name of the SLP: `SLP_name`.

Users may see some duplication jobs that, although in the running state, do not duplicate data because they have no resources to read or write. These jobs continue to run until they receive resources to complete the job.

To turn off grouping by duplication job priority, change the `DUPLICATION_GROUP_CRITERIA` entry, a `LIFECYCLE_PARAMETER`.

See [“LIFECYCLE\\_PARAMETERS file for optional SLP-managed job configuration”](#) on page 584.

## Lifecycle operation administration using the `nbstlutil` command

The NetBackup storage lifecycle policy utility command (`nbstlutil`) gives administrators the ability to intervene between pending SLP operations. Specifically, the `nbstlutil` command can be used to cancel, inactivate, or activate the processing of existing SLP-managed images.

`nbstlutil` cannot affect the jobs that are currently running or queued. Use the **Activity Monitor** to intervene in the jobs that are running or queued.

Table 14-14      nbstlutil details

| nbstlutil information | Details                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Where to find         | <p>The command is found in the following location:</p> <p><code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/nbstlutil</code></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| How to use            | <p>Use <code>nbstlutil</code> to perform the following administrative actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ List the status of SLP-managed images. The EMM table that tracks the status of SLP-processed images can be printed. Support may request this information to troubleshoot an SLP problem.</li><li>■ Cancel pending duplication operations on the selected images or image copies. When a duplication is canceled, NetBackup considers the image or image copy to be SLP complete. It does not attempt to create any more copies of the backup image.</li><li>■ Deactivate (suspend) pending and future SLP operations on selected images or image copies. NetBackup retains the image information so that processing can be resumed by the administrator at a later time.</li><li>■ Activate (resume) suspended SLP operations on selected images or image copies.</li></ul> <p>See the <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i> for a description of all the options available for <code>nbstlutil</code>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| When to use           | <p>NetBackup starts a duplication session every five minutes to copy data from a backup operation for a duplication operation. (Five minutes, or the frequency as designated by the <code>DUPLICATION_SESSION_INTERVAL_MINUTES</code> parameter.)</p> <p>If the copy fails, the next three duplication sessions retry the copy. If the copy fails all three times, the copy is retried every two hours until it succeeds. (Two hours, or the frequency as designated by the <code>IMAGE_EXTENDED_RETRY_PERIOD_IN_HOURS</code> parameter.)</p> <p>Use the <code>nbstlutil</code> command in the case of a hardware problem that may require more than 15 minutes to resolve. That is, the problem may take longer to resolve than three duplication sessions five minutes apart.</p> <p>For example, a duplication job fails because the library has a hard failure. It may take longer than two hours to repair the library. The administrator may not want duplication jobs to begin every two hours. Use the <code>nbstlutil</code> command to inactivate the SLP while the library is repaired. When ready, the SLP can be activated and duplication jobs can begin.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Once the job is reactivated, the administrator may want to temporarily change the <code>IMAGE_EXTENDED_RETRY_PERIOD_IN_HOURS</code> parameter to one hour to begin duplication jobs sooner.</p> |

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# Creating policies for backups and snapshots

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## About the Policies utility

Backup policies provide the instructions that NetBackup follows to back up clients. Use the **Policies** utility to create NetBackup backup policies.

Backup policies provide the following instructions for a backup:

|                                                |                                                          |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| What type of client to back up.                | See <a href="#">“Policy Attributes tab”</a> on page 610. |
| Where to store the backup.                     | See <a href="#">“Policy Attributes tab”</a> on page 610. |
| When and how frequently to perform the backup. | See <a href="#">“Schedules tab”</a> on page 659.         |
| Which clients to back up.                      | See <a href="#">“About the Clients tab”</a> on page 706. |
| Which client files and directories to back up. | See <a href="#">“Backup Selections tab”</a> on page 711. |

## Using the Policies utility

The **Policies** utility offers a number of methods to view the configuration information for one or multiple policies.



To navigate the Policies utility

- 1

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2

To display the policy details of a single policy:

In the center pane, select a policy name. The policy details display in the right pane.
- To open a policy:

In the center pane, double-click on the policy name. The **Change Policy** dialog box opens.
- To display specific configuration information:

In the center pane, click on the tree element next to the policy name to expand the policy configuration areas:

■ **Attributes**

■ **Schedules**

■ **Clients**

■ **Backup Selections**

To display information about all policies on the current master server:

Double-click **Summary of All Policies**.
- Figure 15-1 Policies utility
- The screenshot shows the 'Policies - orbitervm1 - NetBackup Administration Console' window. The interface is divided into three main panes. The left pane, labeled 'orbitervm1 (Master Server)', contains a tree view with 'Policies' selected. The center pane, labeled 'All Policies', shows a list of policies including 'Summary of All Policies', 'CatBack', 'BackupPol1', 'BackupPol2', and 'BackupPol3'. The right pane, labeled 'BackupPol1', displays the configuration details for the selected policy in a table format. Numbered callouts (1-7) identify key UI elements: 1 points to the menu bar, 2 to the toolbar, 3 to the left navigation pane, 4 to the 'Policies' folder in the tree, 5 to the 'BackupPol1' policy in the center list, 6 to the configuration tree under a policy, and 7 to the configuration details table in the right pane.

Table 15-1 Policies utility

| Number | Description                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1      | The menu toolbar.                                                                                                                                                               |
| 2      | The standard NetBackup toolbar.<br>See “Standard and user toolbars” on page 46.                                                                                                 |
| 3      | The name of the currently selected master server.                                                                                                                               |
| 4      | Tree view in the left pane.                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5      | The user toolbar is specific to the <b>Policies</b> utility.<br>See “Standard and user toolbars” on page 46.                                                                    |
| 6      | Select a subnode from <b>Summary of All Policies</b> to display all possible node attributes in the right pane. For example, <b>Schedules</b> displays a list of all schedules. |
| 7      | Details pane.                                                                                                                                                                   |

## Planning for policies

Policy configuration is flexible enough to meet the various needs of all the clients in a NetBackup environment. To take advantage of this flexibility, take time to plan before starting to configure the policies in the **Policies** utility.

The following table outlines the steps to take to ensure that you get optimal results from your policy configurations.

Table 15-2 Steps for planning policies

| Step   | Action                    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|--------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | Gather client information | <p>Gather the following information about each client:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The client name.</li><li>■ The approximate number of files on each client to be backed up.</li><li>■ The typical file size of the files.</li></ul> <p>One client may be a file server that contains a large amount of data while the other clients are workstations. To avoid long backup times, include the file server in one policy and the workstations in another policy. It may be beneficial to create more than one policy for the file server.</p> |

**Table 15-2** Steps for planning policies (*continued*)

| Step   | Action                                         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 2 | Group the clients based on backup requirements | <p>Divide the clients into groups according to the different backup and archive requirements.</p> <p>The groups can be based on the type of work that the clients perform. Clients that are used for similar tasks generally have similar backup requirements. For example, most clients in an engineering department create the same types of files at similar levels of importance. In some instances, create a single policy for each group of clients. In other cases, subdivide the clients and include them in the separate policies that are based on their backup requirements.</p> <p>A backup policy can apply to one or more clients. Every client must be in at least one backup policy so that it can be backed up.</p> |
| Step 3 | Consider the storage requirements              | <p>The NetBackup environment may have some special storage requirements that the backup policies must accommodate.</p> <p>The storage unit and volume pool settings apply to all the files that are backed up by a policy. If files have special storage requirements, create separate policies for the files, even if other factors are the same, such as schedules.</p> <p>If it is necessary to keep backups for some files on separate media, create a policy that specifies a unique volume pool for those backups. Then, add the media for that volume pool.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Example of one client in multiple policies”</a> on page 601.</p>                                                                          |

**Table 15-2** Steps for planning policies (*continued*)

| Step   | Action                             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|--------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 4 | Consider the backup schedule       | <p>Create additional backup policies if the schedules in one policy do not accommodate all clients and files.</p> <p>Consider the following factors when deciding to create additional policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Best times for backups to occur.<br/>To back up different clients on different schedules may require additional policies with different time schedules. For example, create different policies for night-shift and day-shift clients.</li> <li>■ How frequently the files change.<br/>If some files change more frequently than others, the difference may be enough to warrant creating another policy with a different backup frequency.</li> <li>■ How long backups need to be retained.<br/>Each schedule includes a retention setting that determines how long NetBackup keeps the files that are backed up by the schedule. Because the schedule backs up all the files in the backup selection list, all files should have similar retention requirements. Do not include the files whose full backups must be retained forever, together in a policy where full backups are retained for only four weeks.</li> </ul> |
| Step 5 | Group clients by common attributes | <p>Create separate policies for the clients that require similar policy attribute settings.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Policy attributes that affect how clients are grouped in policies”</a> on page 602.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Step 6 | Maximize multiplexed backups       | <p>Create separate policies as necessary to maximize the benefits of multiplexed backups.</p> <p>To maximize drive use, multiplex the slower clients that produce small backups. The higher-performance clients that produce long backups are likely to use drives fully and not benefit from multiplexing.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Media multiplexing (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 685.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

**Table 15-2** Steps for planning policies (*continued*)

| Step   | Action                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 7 | Evaluate backup times | <p>Evaluate total backup times for each schedule and further subdivide policies to reduce backup times to an acceptable level.</p> <p>For example, if the backup of <code>/usr</code>, <code>/h001</code>, and <code>/h002/projects</code> on <code>client1</code> takes too much time, create a new policy for <code>/h002/projects</code>.</p> <p>In addition to reducing the backup time for each policy, separate policies can reduce the total backup time for the server. NetBackup processes files within a backup selection list in the order they appear in the backup selection list. However, separate policies are processed in parallel if enough drives are available and the <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> host property is set to allow it.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Global Attributes properties”</a> on page 145.</p> <p>The <b>Multiplexing</b> and <b>Allow multiple data streams</b> policy attributes also allow backup policies to be processed in parallel.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About multiplexing”</a> on page 685.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Allow multiple data streams (policy attribute)”</a> on page 640.</p> |

See [“About the Policies utility”](#) on page 596.

See [“Policy Attributes tab”](#) on page 610.

## Example of one client in multiple policies

The following table shows that the files in two different subdirectories on one client can be stored in two different locations.

- Policy1 sends backups of `/h002/projects` to 8mm storage.
- Policy2 sends backups of `/h002/devexp` and `/h002/desdoc` to DLT storage.

**Table 15-3** One client in multiple policies

| Policies | Client             | Files                                                                  | Storage |
|----------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Policy1  | client1            | <code>/usr</code><br><code>/h001</code><br><code>/h002/projects</code> | 8mm     |
| Policy2  | client1<br>client1 | <code>/h002/devexp</code><br><code>/h002/desdoc</code>                 | DLT     |

## Policy attributes that affect how clients are grouped in policies

The following table lists the attributes that may determine which clients are grouped in the same policy.

**Table 15-4** Policy attributes that affect how clients are grouped in policies

| Attribute             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Policy Type           | <p>Each client must be in a policy of the correct policy type. For example, Windows clients must be in a policy of a <b>MS-Windows</b> policy type.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Policy type (policy attribute)”</a> on page 611.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Destination           | <p>All of the data that the policy generates is sent to the same destination that is indicated in the policy. The data must share the same <b>Data Classification</b>, <b>Policy storage</b>, and <b>Policy volume pool</b>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Data classifications (policy attribute)”</a> on page 615.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Policy storage (policy attribute)”</a> on page 615.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Policy volume pool (policy attribute)”</a> on page 618.</p> |
| Job Priority          | <p>This attribute determines the priority for the backups of all of the clients in the policy.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Job priority (policy attribute)”</a> on page 625.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Follow NFS            | <p>Select this attribute if a UNIX client has NFS mounted files to be backed up. Consider placing these clients in a separate policy so problems with NFS do not affect the other clients.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Follow NFS (policy attribute)”</a> on page 627.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Cross mount points    | <p>This attribute lets NetBackup cross file system boundaries for all clients in the policy.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Cross mount points (policy attribute)”</a> on page 630.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Backup Network Drives | <p>This attribute lets NetBackup back up the files that all clients in the policy store on network drives. (Applies only to the <b>MS-Windows</b> policy type.)</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Backup Network Drives (policy attribute)”</a> on page 628.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

**Table 15-4** Policy attributes that affect how clients are grouped in policies  
(continued)

| Attribute   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Compression | <p>This attribute indicates that all clients in the policy are to compress their backups before they send them to the server. Note that the time to compress can increase backup time and make it unsuitable to use for all clients. Consider creating a different policy for those clients.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Compression (policy attribute)”</a> on page 633.</p> |

## About Microsoft DSFR backups

Microsoft Distributed File System Replication (DFSR) service is a multi-master replication engine that is used to keep folders synchronized on multiple servers. In an environment that has DFSR, two changes occur in NetBackup, as follows:

- To preserve data integrity, the folder or folders that host the Shared Replica DFSR data are excluded automatically by NetBackup from normal file system backups.
- The top-level DFSR shared folders become part of the Shadow Copy Components. Therefore, the data is snapped consistently by Windows Volume Shadow Copy Service (VSS) before each backup.

Microsoft supports only the VSS writer for DFSR managed data backups. The VSS writer stops and restarts the DFS Replication service automatically. Symantec recommends that you schedule the backups to coincide with a period of low activity. (If you stop the replication service manually, Microsoft change journal problems may occur. Specifically, Update Sequence Number (USN) Journal wrap may occur.)

Symantec recommends that you back up DSFR data based on the amount of data under DSFR control as described in [Table 15-5](#).

Table 15-5      Microsoft DSFR backup recommendations

| Amount of data   | Symantec recommendation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Less than 50 GBs | <div>Configure one policy as follows:</div> <div><div>■ Choose the DFSR server host as the client.<br/>See “Adding or changing clients in a policy” on page 707.</div><div>■ Choose <b>ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES</b> as the <b>Directive</b> in the <b>Backup Selections</b> for the policy.<br/>The <b>ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES</b> directive includes the <b>Shadow Copy Components:</b> automatically.<br/>See “Adding backup selections to a policy” on page 712.</div></div> <div>One policy can back up the data within a reasonable time window.</div> |



**Table 15-5** Microsoft DSFR backup recommendations (*continued*)

| Amount of data   | Symantec recommendation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| More than 50 GBs | <p>Configure one backup policy for each DSFR server, and in that policy specify only the replication folders. A policy for each host's replication data ensures that the DSFR data is backed up within a reasonable time window.</p> <p>For each DSFR server host, do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Create a global exclude list for <b>All Policies</b> and <b>All Schedules</b>. Exclude the following DSFR top-level folder:           <pre>Shadow Copy Components:\User Data\Distributed File System Replication\DfsrReplicatedFolder</pre> <p>The global exclude list ensures that the DFSR components are not backed up accidentally by other backup policies for the client.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Exclude Lists properties”</a> on page 129.</p> </li> <li>■ Create a backup policy for the DSFR data, as follows:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ For the client, specify the DFSR server host. For the servers that are hosted in a cluster, specify the DFSR cluster name rather than the local host name.</li> <li>See <a href="#">“Adding or changing clients in a policy”</a> on page 707.</li> <li>■ For the <b>Backup Selections</b> for the policy, specify the absolute path to each of the top-level DFSR folders on that host. The following is an example path:               <pre>Shadow Copy Components:\User Data\Distributed File System Replication\DfsrReplicatedFolders\folder_name</pre> <p><i>Tip:</i> Use the Backup, Archive, and Restore interface to browse the Shadow Copy Components for the <code>DfsrReplicatedFolders</code> folder. The BAR interface shows the path to each DSFR folder that you need to enter as a backup selection.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Adding backup selections to a policy”</a> on page 712.</p> </li> </ul> </li> <li>■ For the backup policy, create an exception to the exclude list and specify the top-level DFSR directory, as follows:           <pre>Shadow Copy Components:\User Data\Distributed File System Replication\DfsrReplicatedFolders</pre> <p>For the exception <b>Policy</b>, specify the backup policy for the DSFR data. Also specify <b>All Schedules</b> for the <b>Schedule</b>.</p> <p>If DFSR is hosted in a cluster, create the exception for each host in the cluster.</p> <p>The exception ensures that the Shadow Copy Components DFSR paths are included for backup after NetBackup processes the global exclude list.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Adding an exception to the exclude list”</a> on page 133.</p> </li> </ul> |

The DSFR servers must be configured for **Windows Open File Backup**. The snapshot provider must be **Volume Shadow Copy Service**. Configure these properties in the **NetBackup Administration Console** master server host properties **Client Attributes** tab.

See [“Windows Open File Backup tab of the Client Attributes properties”](#) on page 96.

During a backup, Windows writes the following event ID messages to the application event log of a DFSR host:

```
Event ID=1102
Severity=Informational
The DFS Replication service has temporarily stopped replication
because another application is performing a backup or restore
operation. Replication will resume after the backup or restore
operation has finished.
```

```
Event ID=1104
Severity=Informational
The DFS Replication service successfully restarted replication
after a backup or restore operation.
```

To restore DFSR data, use the NetBackup **Backup, Archive and Restore** client interface to browse the Shadow Copy Components for the files or folders to restore, as follows:

```
Shadow Copy Components:\User Data\Distributed File System
Replication\DfsrReplicatedFolders\folder_name
```

A Symantec HOWTO provides a more detailed procedure about configuring DSFR backups.

<http://www.symantec.com/docs/HOWTO65638>

## Creating a policy using the Policy Configuration Wizard

The easiest method to set up a backup policy is to use the **Policy Configuration Wizard**. This wizard guides you through the setup process by automatically choosing the best values for most configurations.

Not all policy configuration options are presented through the wizard. For example, calendar-based scheduling and the **Data Classification** setting. After the policy is created, modify the policy in the **Policies** utility to configure the options that are not part of the wizard.

See “[Calendar Schedule tab](#)” on page 696.

Use the following procedure to create a policy using the Policy Configuration Wizard.

#### To create a policy with the Policy Configuration Wizard

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, click **NetBackup Management**.
  - 2 In the right pane, click **Create a Policy** to begin the **Policy Configuration Wizard**.
  - 3 Select the type of policy to create:
    - A policy to back up **File systems, databases, or applications**.
    - A policy to create **Snapshots**.
    - A policy to protect **VMware or Hyper-V** virtual machines.
    - A policy to back up **NDMP hosts**.
  - 4 Click **Next** to start the wizard and follow the prompts.
- Click **Help** on any wizard panel for assistance while running the wizard.

## Creating a policy without using the Policy Configuration Wizard

Use the following procedure to create a policy without using the Policy Configuration Wizard.

#### To create a policy without the Policy Configuration Wizard

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 On the **Actions** menu, click **New > Policy**.
- 3 Type a unique name for the new policy in the **Add a New Policy** dialog box.  
See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.
- 4 If necessary, clear the **Use Policy Configuration Wizard** checkbox.
- 5 Click **OK**.
- 6 Configure the attributes, the schedules, the clients, and the backup selections for the new policy.  
See [“Policy Attributes tab”](#) on page 610.  
See [“Schedules tab”](#) on page 659.  
See [“About the Clients tab”](#) on page 706.  
See [“Backup Selections tab”](#) on page 711.

## Adding or changing schedules in a policy

Change policies only when no backup activity is expected for the affected policies and clients. Make adjustments before backups begin to ensure an orderly transition from one configuration to another.

Changing a policy causes NetBackup to recalculate when the policy is due.

Use the following procedure to add or change schedules in an existing NetBackup policy.

### To add or change schedules in a policy

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Expand the policy name in the middle pane, then select **Schedules**.
- 3 Perform one of the following actions:

|                                |                                                              |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| To add a schedule              | On the <b>Actions</b> menu, click <b>New &gt; Schedule</b> . |
| To change an existing schedule | In the right pane, double-click the schedule name.           |
- 4 Complete the entries in the **Attributes** tab, **Start Window** tab, **Exclude Dates** tab, and **Calendar Schedule** tab (when applicable).

See [“Schedule Attributes tab”](#) on page 660.

See [“Start Window tab”](#) on page 692.

See [“Excluding dates from a policy schedule”](#) on page 695.

See [“Calendar Schedule tab”](#) on page 696.
- 5 Click **OK**.
- 6 If this schedule is the last schedule, click **Close**.

To add more schedules, click **New** and repeat step 4.

## Copying a policy to create a new policy

Use the **Copy to New** option to save time creating policies. This option is especially useful for the policies that contain many of the same policy attributes, schedules, clients, or backup selections.

#### To copy a policy to create a new one

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 In the middle pane, select the policy to copy.
- 3 On the **Edit** menu, click **Copy to New**
- 4 In the **Copy a Policy** dialog box, enter the name of the policy that you want to copy. You can indicate a policy other than the one that is selected
- 5 Enter the name for the new policy.
- 6 Click **OK**. The only difference between the new policy and the copied policy is the name.

## Copying a schedule into the same policy or different policy

Use the **Copy to New** option to save time creating schedules. Use this option to copy a schedule into the same policy or different policy.

#### To copy a schedule to create a new one

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 In the middle pane, expand a policy and select the **Schedules** node that contains the schedule that you want to copy.
- 3 In the right pane, select the schedule that you want to copy.
- 4 On the **Edit** menu, click **Copy to New**
- 5 In the **Copy Schedule** dialog box, enter the name of the new schedule.
- 6 Use the menu to select the name of the policy to which you want to paste the schedule. You can paste the schedule into the same policy or a different policy.
- 7 Click **OK**. The **Change Schedule** dialog box opens for the new schedule.

## Deleting schedules, backup selections, or clients from a policy

Use the following procedure to delete schedules, backup selections, or clients from a NetBackup policy.

**To delete a schedule, backup selections, or clients from a policy**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Expand the policy name in the middle pane, then select **Attributes**, **Schedules**, **Backup Selections**, or **Clients**.
- 3 In the right pane, select the item you want to delete.
- 4 On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete**.
- 5 Click **Yes** when asked if you want to delete the selected item from the policy.

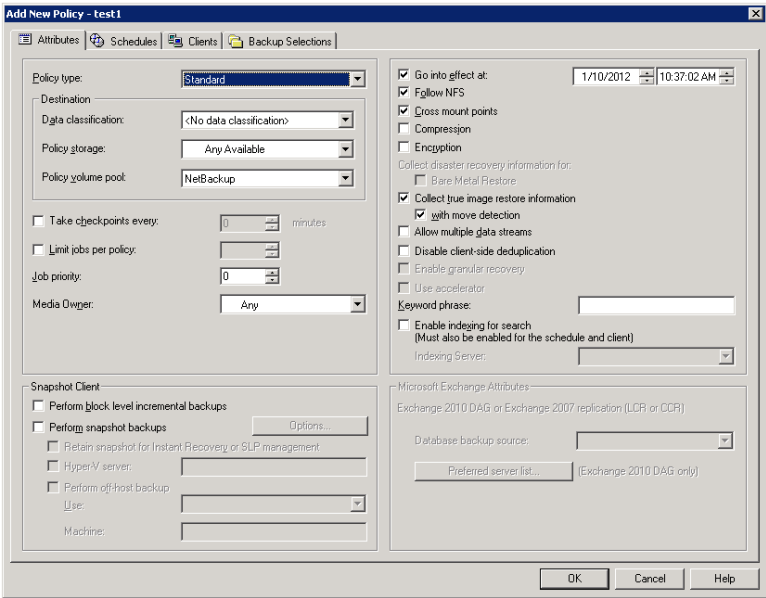
When a client is deleted from the client list, the NetBackup client software is not deleted or uninstalled from the client. Backups for the client can be recovered until the backups expire. Also, when a file is deleted from a backup selection list, the actual file is not deleted from the client.

## Policy Attributes tab

Use the policy **Attributes** tab to configure backup settings when you add a new policy or change an existing policy. When you create a policy, you give the policy a name and select a policy type. The policy type you select typically depends on the type of client you want to back up. The number of policy types available varies depending on which NetBackup options are installed. Each policy type has a unique combination of attributes. Not all attributes apply to every policy type. When you select a policy type, the attributes that apply to that policy type are active. The unavailable attributes are grayed out.

[Figure 15-2](#) shows the Attributes tab of a NetBackup policy.

Figure 15-2 Policy Attributes tab



The following topics describe the settings on the policy **Attributes** tab.

## Policy type (policy attribute)

The **Policy type** attribute determines the purpose of the policy. Select a policy type from the list. The policy type you select typically depends on the type of client to be backed up. Some policy types are not used for client backups. NBU-Catalog is an example.

The list of policy types changes depending on the NetBackup options that have been installed. Each policy type offers a unique combination of attributes. When you select a policy type, only the attributes that apply to that policy type are active. You can change the policy type of an existing policy. However, the schedules for the policy may become invalid. If the schedules become invalid, NetBackup displays a warning message and then deletes the invalid schedules or changes the schedules to an equivalent type.

When you change the policy type of an existing policy, other selections or features of the policy may become invalid as well.

Table 15-6 describes all the types of NetBackup policies.

**Table 15-6** NetBackup policy types

| Policy type                                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>AFS</b><br>(UNIX only)                     | Use for the policies that back up only AFS file systems on clients.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>DataTools-SQL-BackTrack</b><br>(UNIX only) | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup <b>SQL-BackTrack</b> extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>DataStore</b>                              | This policy type is reserved for use by Symantec or its partners to provide agents for new applications or databases.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>DB2</b>                                    | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup DB2 extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>FlashBackup</b><br>(UNIX only)             | <p>Combines the speed of raw-partition backups with the ability to restore individual files.</p> <p>This policy type applies to UNIX clients only. Requires the Enterprise Client license. For information on setting up this type of policy, see the <i>NetBackup Snapshot Client guide</i></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>FlashBackup- Windows</b><br>(Windows only) | <p>Combines the speed of raw-partition backups with the ability to restore individual files. This policy type applies to Windows clients only. Requires the Enterprise Client license.</p> <p>For information on setting up this type of policy, see the <i>NetBackup Snapshot Client Guide</i>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Hyper-V</b>                                | <p>For backup of virtual machines that reside on Windows Hyper-V servers, by means of on-host or off-host backups. Requires the Enterprise Client license.</p> <p>The <b>Hyper-V</b> policy type is new in NetBackup 7.5. Upgrades to NetBackup 7.5 do not automatically change policies to the <b>Hyper-V</b> policy type.</p> <p>Users can upgrade pertinent policies to the <b>Hyper-V</b> policy type using one of the following methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Change the policy type in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> for one policy at a time.</li> <li>■ Change the policy type for multiple policies at one time using the <code>bpplconvert</code> script located in the following location:<br/> On UNIX: <code>usr/openv/netbackup/bin/goodies</code><br/> On Windows: <code>Install_path\Veritas\NetBackup\bin\goodies</code></li> </ul> <p>For information on setting up this type of policy, see the <i>NetBackup for Hyper-V guide</i>.</p> |



**Table 15-6** NetBackup policy types (*continued*)

| Policy type                            | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Informix-On-BAR</b><br>(UNIX only)  | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup Informix extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Lotus-Notes</b>                     | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup Lotus Notes extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>MS-Exchange-Server</b>              | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup MS Exchange extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>MS-SharePoint</b><br>(Windows only) | Use to configure a policy for NetBackup for SharePoint Portal Server.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>MS-SQL-Server</b>                   | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup MS SQL Server extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>MS-Windows</b>                      | <p>Use for the policies that contain only Windows clients of supported Windows operating system levels.</p> <p><b>Standard</b> and <b>MS-Windows</b> policy types are the only policy types that support the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Checkpoint restart for backups or restores<br/>See <a href="#">“Take checkpoints every __ minutes (policy attribute)”</a> on page 620.</li> <li>■ Synthetic backups<br/>See <a href="#">“Policy type (policy attribute)”</a> on page 611.</li> <li>■ <b>Collect disaster recovery information for Bare Metal Restore</b><br/>See <a href="#">“Collect disaster recovery information for Bare Metal Restore (policy attribute)”</a> on page 636.</li> </ul> |
| <b>NBU-Catalog</b>                     | Use for catalog backup jobs.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>NCR-Teradata</b>                    | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup for Teradata option. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>NDMP</b>                            | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup NDMP option. This policy type is available only when the NetBackup NDMP is installed and licensed. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>NetWare</b>                         | Use for the policies that contain only NonTarget NetBackup Novell NetWare clients. (This version uses a Microsoft Windows interface.)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Oracle</b>                          | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup Oracle extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>OS/2</b>                            | Use for the policies that contain only OS/2 clients.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

**Table 15-6** NetBackup policy types (*continued*)

| Policy type            | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>PureDisk-Export</b> | Use for the policies that export data from PureDisk to NetBackup.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>SAP</b>             | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup SAP extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Standard</b>        | <p>Use for the policies that contain any combination of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ UNIX clients (including supported Mac clients), except those covered by specific products such as Oracle.</li> <li>■ NetBackup Novell NetWare clients that have the target version of NetBackup software.</li> </ul> <p><b>Standard</b> and <b>MS-Windows</b> policy types are the only policy types that support the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Checkpoint restart for backups or restores</li> <li>■ Synthetic backups</li> <li>■ <b>Collect disaster recovery information for Bare Metal Restore</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Sybase</b>          | Use for the policies that contain only clients with the NetBackup Sybase extension. For information on setting up this policy type, see the guide for this option.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Vault</b>           | Use as a policy type to schedule and run a Vault job. This policy type is available only when Vault is licensed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>VMware</b>          | <p>For backup of virtual machines that reside on VMware vSphere servers, by means of on-host or off-host backups. Requires the Enterprise Client license.</p> <p>The <b>VMware</b> policy type is new in NetBackup 7.5. Upgrades to NetBackup 7.5 do not automatically change policies to the <b>VMware</b> policy type.</p> <p>Users can upgrade pertinent policies to the <b>VMware</b> policy type using one of the following methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Change the policy type in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> for one policy at a time.</li> <li>■ Change the policy type for multiple policies at one time using the <code>bpplconvert</code> script located in the following location:<br/> On UNIX: <code>usr/openv/netbackup/bin/goodies</code><br/> On Windows: <code>Install_path\Veritas\NetBackup\bin\goodies</code></li> </ul> <p>For information on setting up this type of policy, see the NetBackup for VMware guide.</p> |

For more details on off-host backups, refer to the *NetBackup Snapshot Client Administrator's Guide*.

## Data classifications (policy attribute)

The **Data Classification** attribute specifies the classification of the storage lifecycle policy that stores the backup. For example, a backup with a gold classification must go to a storage unit with a gold data classification. By default, NetBackup provides four data classifications: platinum, gold, silver, and bronze.

This attribute is optional and applies only when the backup is to be written to a storage lifecycle policy. If the list displays **No data classification**, the policy uses the storage selection that is displayed in the **Policy storage** list. If a data classification is selected, all the images that the policy creates are tagged with the classification ID.

See [“Storage Lifecycle Policy dialog box settings”](#) on page 544.

See [“Data Classification properties”](#) on page 116.

See [“Creating a Data Classification”](#) on page 117.

See [“About storage lifecycle policies”](#) on page 539.

## Policy storage (policy attribute)

The **Policy storage** attribute specifies the storage destination for the policy’s data. Select a specific storage unit, storage lifecycle policy, or storage unit group from the list.

When NetBackup looks for an available storage unit, it selects the first storage unit that meets the following requirements:

- The storage unit must not be designated as **On demand only**.
- The storage unit must have available drives.
- The storage unit must have media available in the required volume pool.

However, NetBackup makes an exception when a client is also a media server with locally-attached storage units. In that case, NetBackup selects the locally-attached storage units first.

See [“About staging backups”](#) on page 513.

Storage unit





Select the name of the storage unit that is to be the storage destination for the policy data. It can be disk or tape-based.

If it is configured to do so, the storage unit determines which type of disk staging is used for the policy.

See [“Creating a storage unit”](#) on page 485.

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Storage lifecycle policy | <p>Select the name of the storage lifecycle policy that is to be the storage destination for the policy data.</p> <p>The drop-down list includes only those lifecycles that have the same data classification as the policy. For example, gold backup images cannot be sent to a silver storage lifecycle. Images that belong to a specific data classification cannot be sent to a storage lifecycle that lacks a classification. Data classification is optional.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Global Attributes properties”</a> on page 145.</p> <p>If it is configured to do so, the storage lifecycle policy determines which type of disk staging is used for the policy.</p> <p>If setting up snapshot replication with Replication Director, select a storage lifecycle policy that contains a snapshot-capable storage unit.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About storage lifecycle policies”</a> on page 539.</p> |
| Storage unit group       | <p>Select the name of the storage unit group that is to be the storage destination for the policy data.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About storage unit groups”</a> on page 529.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Any Available            | <p>If <b>Any Available</b> is selected, NetBackup tries to store data on locally-attached storage units first. To force NetBackup to use only a locally-attached drive, select <b>Must use local drive</b> in the <b>General Server</b> properties. If a local device is not found or <b>Must use local drive</b> is not selected, NetBackup tries to find an available storage unit alphabetically.</p> <p>NetBackup does not select a <b>null_stu</b> storage unit if <b>Any Available</b> is selected. A <b>null_stu</b> storage unit is created only when Symantec Support uses the Nullost plug-in to identify and isolate data transfer bottlenecks.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

Figure 15-3 Icons indicate type of storage

-  device)
-  Storage unit (disk)
-  Storage unit group
-  Storage lifecycle policy

**Note:** If different storage is selected for the **Override policy storage** option on the **Schedule Attributes** tab, that selection overrides the **Policy storage** attribute.

See [“Override policy storage \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 680.

See [“Considerations for selecting a destination for Policy storage”](#) on page 617.

### Considerations for selecting a destination for Policy storage

Consider the following scenarios before selecting a destination from the **Policy storage** list on the policy **Attributes** tab.

Table 15-7

| Scenario                                                                    | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The site contains one storage unit, or there is no storage unit preference. | <p>Do one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Specify <b>Any Available</b> for the <b>Policy storage</b> attribute.</li><li>■ Do not specify a storage unit at the schedule level.<br/>See <a href="#">“Override policy storage (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 680.</li><li>■ Do not set all storage units to <b>On demand only</b>. NetBackup may not find an available storage unit for the backups.<br/>See <a href="#">“Changing storage unit settings”</a> on page 488.<br/>See <a href="#">“On demand only storage unit setting”</a> on page 505.</li></ul> |
| A specific storage unit is designated but the unit is unavailable.          | Consider changing the destination to <b>Any Available</b> since backups cannot run for those policies and the schedules that require the unit.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Any Available</b> is selected.                                           | <p>Be aware that any basic disk storage unit that is not assigned to a storage group is considered available for disk spanning.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Media properties”</a> on page 165.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

Table 15-7 (continued)

| Scenario                                                   | Action                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| You want to limit the storage units available to a policy. | <div>Do one of the following:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Select a storage unit group that contains only the units you want the policy to use.</li><li>■ Limit the storage units by doing the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Create a volume pool that contains the volumes that are available only to the specific storage units. Disable <b>Scratch pool</b> for the volume pool. If <b>Scratch pool</b> is enabled, any storage unit has access to the volumes in the volume pool.<br/>See “<a href="#">Adding a volume pool</a>” on page 411.<br/>See “<a href="#">About scratch volume pools</a>” on page 410.</li><li>■ In the policy, set <b>Policy volume pool</b> to the volume pool that is defined in the previous step.</li><li>■ For all policies, set <b>Policy storage</b> attribute to <b>Any Available</b>.</li><li>■ If the policy specifies a storage unit group, set the storage units within the group to <b>On demand only</b> to satisfy the policy requirement.<br/>See “<a href="#">Changing storage unit settings</a>” on page 488.<br/>See “<a href="#">On demand only storage unit setting</a>” on page 505.</li></ul></li></ul> |

## Policy volume pool (policy attribute)

The **Policy volume pool** attribute specifies the default volume pool where the backups for the policy are stored. A volume pool is a set of media that is grouped for use by a single application. The volume pool is protected from access by other applications and users.

The available volume pools appear on the list. Whenever a new volume is required, it is allocated from the volume pool indicated.

If you select a volume pool on the **Schedule** tab, that selection overrides the **Policy volume pool** selection on the **Attributes** tab.

See “[Override policy storage \(schedule attribute\)](#)” on page 680.

See “[Example of overriding the policy volume pool](#)” on page 619.

The following table describes the default volume pools that NetBackup defines.

Table 15-8 Default volume pools defined by NetBackup

| Volume pool | Description                                              |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| None        | The default pool for applications, other than NetBackup. |

**Table 15-8** Default volume pools defined by NetBackup (*continued*)

| Volume pool   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DataStore     | The default pool for DataStore.                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| NetBackup     | Unless otherwise specified in the policy, all backups use media from the NetBackup pool. One exception is the <b>NBU-Catalog</b> policy type.                                                                        |
| CatalogBackup | This pool is selected by default for the <b>NBU-Catalog</b> policy type. It is used exclusively for online catalog backups. Catalogs are directed to a single, dedicated pool to facilitate faster catalog restores. |

The following table describes the additional volume pools that are useful to create.

**Table 15-9** Additional volume pools

| Volume pool         | Description                                                                                                |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Scratch volume pool | Allows NetBackup to automatically transfer volumes when another volume pool does not have media available. |
| Auto volume pool    | Used by automatic backups.                                                                                 |
| User volume pool    | Used by user backups.                                                                                      |

Media is assigned to the volume pools for Media Manager storage devices. Disk-type storage devices are not allocated to a volume pool.

See [“About volume pools”](#) on page 409.

See [“Adding a volume pool”](#) on page 411.

See [“About scratch volume pools”](#) on page 410.

## Example of overriding the policy volume pool

The following example shows how to override the policy volume pool from the policy **Schedule** tab. In this example, you change a policy named *Backup-Archive*. Until now, all schedules in the policy have used the *Backups* volume pool. Change the policy so that the user-archive schedule uses the *Archive* pool instead.

**To override the Policy volume pool attribute**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**
- 2 In the left pane, select the *Backup-Archive* policy and on the **Edit** menu, click **Change**.
- 3 In the policy **Attributes** tab, on the **Policy volume pool** list, select *Backups*.
- 4 Click the **Schedules** tab.
- 5 Select the schedules that use the *Backups* volume pool, and click **Properties**.
- 6 Make sure that **Override policy volume pool** is unchecked, and click **OK** to save the change in the schedule..
- 7 Select the user-archive schedule that you want assigned to the *Archive* volume pool, and click **Properties**.
- 8 Check **Override policy volume pool**.
- 9 Underneath the check box, select *Archive* from the list.
- 10 Click **OK** to save the change in the schedule.
- 11 Click **OK** to save the change in the policy.

## Take checkpoints every \_\_ minutes (policy attribute)

By taking checkpoints during a backup, you can save time if the backup fails. By taking checkpoints periodically during the backup, NetBackup can retry a failed backup from the beginning of the last checkpoint rather than restart the entire job.

The checkpoint frequency indicates how often NetBackup takes a checkpoint during a backup. The default is 15 minutes. The administrator determines checkpoint frequency on a policy-by-policy basis. When you select the checkpoint frequency, balance the loss of performance due to frequent checkpoints with the possible time lost when failed backups restart. If the frequency of checkpoints affects performance, increase the time between checkpoints.

Checkpoints are saved at file boundaries and point to the next file in the list. Checkpoint restart is only available after choosing the **MS-Windows** or **Standard** policy type. Check **Take checkpoints every \_\_ minutes** to enable checkpoint restart. When the box is checked, NetBackup takes checkpoints during a backup job at the frequency you specify. If the box is not checked, no checkpoints are taken and a failed backup restarts from the beginning of the job. Checkpoint restart can also be used for restore jobs.

See [“Checkpoint restart for restore jobs”](#) on page 622.



The **Global Attributes** property, **Schedule backup attempts**, indicates the number of times that NetBackup tries to restart a failed backup.

See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

**Note:** Checkpoints are saved at file boundaries and point to the next file in the list to be backed up. Checkpoints cannot occur in the middle of a file. After the file is backed up, the checkpoint is saved.

**Note:** Checkpoints are not taken for a user-archive backup. If a user-archive backup resumes, it restarts from the beginning.

- In the following situations, NetBackup starts a new job instead of resuming an incomplete job:
- If a new job is due to run, or, for calendar-based scheduling, another run day has arrived.
  - If the time since the last incomplete backup was longer than the shortest frequency in any schedule for the policy.
  - If the time indicated by the Clean-up property, **Move backup job from incomplete state to done state**, has passed.

The following table describes the level of support for various policy attributes, storage, and clients for checkpoint restart. For an agent or option not listed, refer to the manual for that agent or option.

**Table 15-10** Support for checkpoint restart

| Item               | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Basic disk staging | Checkpoint restart is supported for Stage I. Checkpoint restart is not supported for Stage II.<br><br>See <a href="#">“About basic disk staging”</a> on page 515.<br><br>See <a href="#">“About staging backups”</a> on page 513. |

**Table 15-10** Support for checkpoint restart (*continued*)

| Item                                          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>MS-Windows</b> (policy type)               | <p>The following pertain to Windows clients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Checkpoint restart is not supported for the backup selections that are indicated by a UNC path.</li> <li>■ No checkpoints are taken during a System State backup.</li> <li>■ No checkpoints are taken during a Windows disk image (raw) backup.</li> <li>■ No checkpoints are taken for the remainder of the backup after NetBackup encounters Single-instance Store (SIS).</li> </ul> <p>When an incremental backup resumes and completes successfully, the archive bits are cleared for the files that were backed up after the job resumes. However, the archive bits are not cleared for the files that were backed up before the resume. Since the archive bits remain, the files that were backed up before the resume are backed up again during the next incremental backup.</p> |
| <b>Multiple copies</b> (schedule attribute)   | <p>Checkpoint restart is supported for the policies that are configured to create multiple backup copies.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Multiple copies (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 675.</p> <p>The last failed copy that contains a checkpoint can be resumed if a copy is configured to allow other copies to continue the job if the copy fails and subsequent checkpoints occur.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>NetWare</b> (policy type)                  | <p>Checkpoint restart is not supported. NetWare clients can also use the <b>Standard</b> policy type, but that policy type does not support NetWare clients.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Snapshot Client</b> (policy attribute)     | <p>Checkpoint restart is supported for use with local or alternate client backups. However, the following policy attributes are not supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Block Level Incremental Backups</li> <li>■ Media Server Copy</li> <li>■ Third-Party Copy Device</li> <li>■ Instant Recovery backup</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“Snapshot Client (policy attributes)”</a> on page 659.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Standard</b> (policy type)                 | <p>Checkpoint restart is supported for UNIX clients.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Synthetic backups</b> (schedule attribute) | <p>Checkpoint restart is not supported.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Synthetic backup (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 670.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

## Checkpoint restart for restore jobs

Checkpoint restart for restore jobs saves time by letting NetBackup resume a failed restore job. The job resumes automatically from the start of the file that

was last checkpointed rather than starting from the beginning of the entire restore job. NetBackup automatically takes checkpoints once every minute during a restore job.

The following host properties affect checkpoint restart for restore jobs.

**Move restore job from incomplete state to done state** This Clean-up host property indicates the number of days that a failed restore job can remain in an Incomplete state.

See [“Clean-up properties”](#) on page 83.

**Restore retries** This **Universal Setting** host property specifies the number of attempts that a client has to restore after a failure.

See [“Universal Settings properties”](#) on page 218.

Checkpoint restart for restore jobs has the following limitations:

- The restore restarts at the beginning of the last checkpointed file, not within the file.
- Only the backups that are created using **MS-Windows** or **Standard** policy types are supported.
- Third Party Copy and the Media Server Copy images that use **Standard** policy types are supported. However, they cannot be suspended or resumed if the backup image has changed blocks.

A NetBackup administrator can choose to suspend a checkpointed restore job and resume the job at a later time. For example, while an administrator runs a restore job for several hours, the administrator receives a request for a second restore. The request is of a higher priority and requires the resources in use by the first job. The administrator can suspend the first job, start the second restore job and let it complete. The administrator can then resume the first job from the Activity Monitor and let the job complete.

Consider a situation in which a checkpointed restore that has no end date is suspended and then resumed. If a new backup occurs before the resume is initiated, the files from the new backup are included in the restore. For example, a user request the restore of a directory. The restore begins, but is suspended. The request is resumed the next day after another backup of the directory is performed. The files that are restored are from the latest backup.

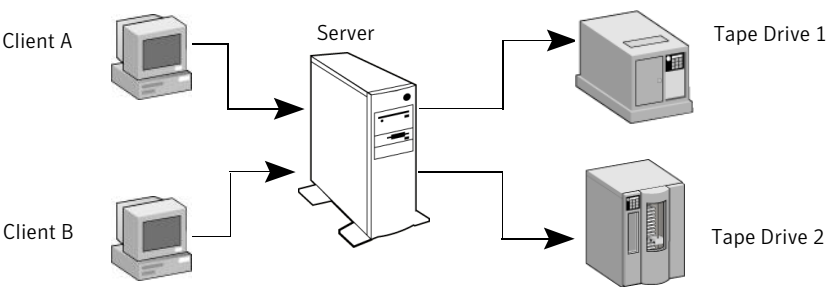
See [“Take checkpoints every \\_\\_ minutes \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 620.

## Limit jobs per policy (policy attribute)

The **Limit jobs per policy** attribute limits the number of jobs that NetBackup performs concurrently when the policy is run. By default, the box is unchecked, and NetBackup performs an unlimited number of backup jobs concurrently. Other resource settings can limit the number of jobs.

A configuration can contain enough devices so that the number of concurrent backups affects performance. To specify a lower limit, check the box and specify a value from 1 to 999.

**Figure 15-4** Limit jobs per policy attribute



Client A and Client B backups can occur concurrently and back up to different devices

**Table 15-11** describes the factors that affect the number of concurrent backup jobs that NetBackup can perform.

**Table 15-11** Factors affecting the number of concurrent backup jobs

| Item                         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jobs from different policies | <p>The limit does not apply to concurrent jobs if the jobs are from different policies.</p> <p>For example, if three policies limit concurrent jobs to two, NetBackup can start two jobs from each policy. A total of six policies can be running at one time in this situation.</p>                                                                                                                                        |
| Multiplexing                 | <p>If multiplexing is used, set the limit high enough to support the specified level of multiplexing.</p> <p>Lower values can limit multiplexing within a policy if jobs from different schedules exist within the policy. For example, the limit is set to two and an incremental backup schedule is due to run for four clients. Only two clients are backed up at one time, regardless of the multiplexing settings.</p> |

**Table 15-11** Factors affecting the number of concurrent backup jobs (*continued*)

| Item                                                        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Network load                                                | <p>The available bandwidth of the network determines how many backups can occur concurrently. If you encounter loading problems, consider multiple networks for backups. Or, configure the backup policy to use the <b>Compression</b> attribute.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Compression (policy attribute)”</a> on page 633.</p> <p>When the client that is backed up is also a server, it is a special case. In this instance, the network load is not a factor because the network is not used. However, the load on the client and server is still a factor.</p>                                                                 |
| Number of storage devices available and multiplexing limits | <p>To process more than one backup job at a time, the configuration must include one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Multiple storage units.</li> <li>■ A storage unit with enough drives to perform more than one backup at a time.</li> <li>■ Storage units that are configured to multiplex.</li> </ul> <p>With removable media devices such as tape drives, the number of concurrent jobs depends on the total number of drives in the storage units. With disk storage, the storage device is defined as a file path and the available disk space determines how many paths are possible.</p> |
| Parent job and children jobs                                | <p>Parent jobs do not count toward the limit. Only the children jobs count toward the limit.</p> <p>The following jobs produce a parent job and children jobs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Multistreamed jobs</li> <li>■ Catalog backups</li> <li>■ Snapshot Client snapshots</li> <li>■ Bare Metal Restore jobs</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“About the Jobs tab”</a> on page 904.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Server speed                                                | <p>Too many concurrent backups interfere with the performance of the server. The best number depends on the hardware, operating system, and applications that are running.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

## Job priority (policy attribute)

The **Job priority** attribute specifies the priority that a policy has as it competes with other policies for resources. Enter a value from 0 to 99999. The higher the number, the greater the priority of the job. NetBackup assigns the first available resource to the policy with the highest priority.

In the **Default Job Priorities** host properties, you can set a job priority default for a job type.

See [“Default Job Priorities properties”](#) on page 118.

## Media Owner (policy attribute)

The **Media Owner** attribute specifies which media server or server group should own the media that backup images for this policy are written to.

This attribute is active under the following conditions:

- A Media Manager storage unit is used.
- The **Policy storage** attribute is set to **Any Available**

You can specify the following for the **Media Owner**:

|                      |                                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Any</b> (default) | Allows NetBackup to select the media owner. NetBackup selects a media server or a server group (if one is configured).                                                     |
| <b>None</b>          | Specifies that the media server that writes the image to the media owns the media. No media server is specified explicitly, but you want a media server to own the media.  |
| A server group       | Allows only those servers in the group to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written. All server groups that are configured appear in the list. |

See [“About media sharing”](#) on page 416.

See [“Configuring a server group”](#) on page 310.

## Go into effect at (policy attribute)

The **Go into effect at** attribute specifies when the policy can begin to schedule backups. For example, if today is Monday and you enter Wednesday at 12:00 A.M., the policy does not run until that time or later. Use this attribute to configure a series of policies in advance of when the policies need to become active.

To activate the policy, check **Go into effect at**. The policy must be active for NetBackup to use the policy.

To deactivate a policy, uncheck the box. Inactive policies appear are unavailable in the **NetBackup Administration Console**. Inactive policies remain on the list of policies in the left pane of the **NetBackup Administration Console**. To resume backups, recheck the box. Make sure that the date and time are set to the time that you want to resume backups.

If the schedule is to be used for a catalog archive, the policy must not be active. Clear the check box to deactivate the policy.

See [“Creating a catalog archiving policy”](#) on page 801.

## Follow NFS (policy attribute)

The **Follow NFS** (Network File System) attribute specifies whether NetBackup is to back up or archive any NFS-mounted files. These files are named in the backup selection list or by the user, in the case of a user backup or archive. Uncheck the box to prevent the backup or archive of NFS-mounted files.

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**Note:** This attribute applies only to UNIX clients in certain policy types. NetBackup allows it to be selected in those instances only.

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This attribute eliminates the need to locate and log on to the systems where the files reside. If the files are mounted on the NetBackup client, you can back up, archive, and restore them by working from the NetBackup client. You must have the necessary permissions on the NFS mount. Use this capability to back up the systems that the NetBackup client software does not support.

Generally, do not back up NetBackup clients over NFS. Back up and archive files on the NFS server where the files physically reside. NFS backups have lower performance and sometimes encounter problems. If **Follow NFS** is selected, you may want to use the policy only for the files and clients that are backed up or archived over NFS.

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**Note:** If **Follow NFS** is not selected, the backup process reads the client’s mount table and evaluates each item in the table. NetBackup resolves any links to the true path. NetBackup must resolve the links so it can accurately avoid backing up any files that reside on NFS-mounted file systems.

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If NetBackup cannot access a Network File System when it evaluates the mount table, it assumes that the file system is unavailable. (The default time to access the file system is five seconds.) To change the default, change the UNIX master server host property, **NFS access timeout**.

See [“UNIX Server properties”](#) on page 222.

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**Note:** NetBackup specifically excludes mapped directories even if **Follow NFS** and **Cross mount points** are enabled. To back up mapped directories, include the directories in the file list.

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Consider the following before enabling this attribute:

Table 15-12      Issues that affect Follow NFS

| Item                                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cross mount points (policy attribute) | <p>The behavior of <b>Follow NFS</b> can vary depending on how it is used in combination with <b>Cross mount points</b>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Examples of using Cross mount points and Follow NFS in combination”</a> on page 632.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Cross mount points (policy attribute)”</a> on page 630.</p>                                                                                       |
| Raw partitions                        | <p>This attribute has no effect on raw partitions. The Network File Systems that are mounted in a raw partition are not backed up. Nor can you back up raw partitions from other computers that use NFS mounts to access the raw partitions. The devices are not accessible on other computers through NFS.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> NetBackup does not support raw partition backups on unformatted partitions.</p> |
| Automounted directories               | <p>This attribute causes files in automounted file systems to be backed up. Automounted directories can be excluded to allow the backup of other NFS mounts. To do so, add an entry for the automounter’s mount directory to the exclude list on the client.</p>                                                                                                                                                |

See [“Examples of using Cross mount points and Follow NFS in combination”](#) on page 632.

## Backup Network Drives (policy attribute)

The **Backup Network Drives** attribute is for use on single user systems, Win95, Win98, and ME. These operating systems are not supported with this version of NetBackup. For a computer that is not a NetBackup client, the preferred method for backing up data is to use UNC paths. UNC paths are more precise and indicate exactly what should be backed up.

When you use **Backup Network Drives** or UNC paths, the network drives must be available to the service account that the NetBackup Client service logs into at startup. By default, the startup account is set to System. You must change this account on each Windows client that is backed up that contains data that is shared from another computer.

This attribute must be enabled for the policies that back up to CD ROM drives. For scheduled backups, the file list must indicate at least the first level of folders to be backed up. For example, D:\Folder1 instead of only D:\

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**Note:** Mapped drive letters cannot be backed up. Drive letters do not appear in the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** console when backups are browsed.

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## Example of using UNC paths to back up a shared folder

The following example gives the steps for backing up a shared folder using a UNC path. The procedure backs up the folder *TestData* on *win\_PC* through *win\_client*. Consult the following descriptions before you review the example.

|                   |                                                       |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>master1</i>    | NetBackup master server                               |
| <i>win_client</i> | Windows NetBackup client                              |
| <i>win_PC</i>     | Windows computer (not necessarily a NetBackup client) |
| <i>TestData</i>   | A shared folder on <i>win_PC</i>                      |

**Table 15-13** Using UNC paths to back up a shared folder on *win\_PC*

| Step   | Action                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | Create a policy                        | On <i>master1</i> create a policy for <i>win_client</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Step 2 | Add the folder name to the policy      | Add <code>\\win_PC\TestData</code> to the file list of the policy. This step is not necessary if the policy is only used for user-directed backups.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Step 3 | Configure the NetBackup Client Service | Perform the following actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ On <i>win_client</i>, change the <b>NetBackup Client Service</b> to <b>Start Up</b> or <b>Log On</b> with the same account as the user that performs the backup. This user account must have read permissions for the share that is to be backed up. The account must have write permission to perform restores.</li> <li>■ Stop and start the <b>NetBackup Client Service</b> so the new account takes effect.</li> </ul> |
| Step 4 | Perform a backup                       | Backups run as scheduled or when a manual backup is performed.<br>See <a href="#">“Performing manual backups”</a> on page 753.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

## Example of using Backup Network Drives (policy attribute) to back up a shared folder

The following example gives the steps for backing up a shared folder using the **Backup Network Drives** policy attribute. The procedure backs up the folder *share* on *win\_PC* through *win\_client*. Consult the following descriptions before you review the example.

|                   |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>master1</i>    | NetBackup master server  |
| <i>win_client</i> | Windows NetBackup client |

*win\_PC*

Windows computer (not necessarily a NetBackup client)

*share*

A shared folder on *win\_PC*

Table 15-14 Using Backup Network Drives to back up a shared folder on *win\_PC*

| Step   | Action                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | Create a policy                        | On <i>master1</i> create a policy for <i>win_client</i> , and check <b>Backup network drives</b> in the policy attributes tab.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Step 2 | Configure the NetBackup Client Service | Perform the following actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ On <i>win_client</i>, change the <b>NetBackup Client Service</b> to <b>Start Up</b> or <b>Log On</b> with the same account as the user that performs the backup. This user account must have read permissions for the share that is to be backed up. The account must have write permission to perform restores.</li><li>■ Stop and start the <b>NetBackup Client Service</b> so the new account takes effect.</li></ul> |
| Step 3 | Create a batch file                    | Create a batch file <code>bpstart_notify.bat</code> that does the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Maps a drive on <i>win_client</i> to <code>\\win_PC\share</code>.</li><li>■ Includes the following command (where X: is the mapped drive letter):<br/><pre>net use X: \\win_PC\share</pre></li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Step 4 | Perform a backup                       | Backups run as scheduled or when a manual backup is performed.<br>See <a href="#">“Performing manual backups”</a> on page 753.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

## Cross mount points (policy attribute)

The **Cross mount points** attribute controls whether NetBackup crosses file system boundaries to back up or archive all files and directories in the selected path. For example, if root (/) is specified as the file path on a UNIX system, NetBackup backs up root (/) and all files and directories under root in the tree. This attribute is supported on computers running UNIX or Windows 2003 and later.

When this attribute is disabled, only the files that are in the same file system as the selected file path are backed up. By disabling, you also prohibit NetBackup from crossing mount points to back up root (/) without backing up all the file systems that are mounted on root. (For example, `/usr` and `/home`.)

In some cases, consider creating separate policies for the backups that cross mount points and those that do not. For example, in one policy, disable **Cross mount**

**points** and include `root (/)` in the backup selection list. As a result, only the root file system is backed up, and not the file systems that are mounted on it. In another policy, enable **Cross mount points** and include `root (/)` in the backup selection list. As a result, all the data on the client is backed up.

**Note:** NetBackup specifically excludes mapped directories even if **Follow NFS** and **Cross mount points** are enabled. To back up mapped directories, include the directories in the file list.

The following table lists items to consider when you use this policy attribute.

**Table 15-15** Considerations for Cross mount points (policy attribute)

| Item                                    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Follow NFS</b> (policy attribute)    | <p>The behavior of <b>Cross mount points</b> can vary depending on how it is used in combination with <b>Follow NFS</b>.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Examples of using Cross mount points and Follow NFS in combination”</a> on page 632.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Follow NFS (policy attribute)”</a> on page 627.</p>                                                                           |
| Backup selection entries                | <p>The following backup selection entries behave in the same manner on both UNIX and Windows systems when the <b>Cross mount points</b> attribute is used::</p> <p>/</p> <p>: \</p> <p>* : \</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Do not use the <b>Cross mount points</b> attribute in policies on UNIX systems where you use the <code>ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES</code> directive in the backup selection list.</p> |
| UNIX raw partitions                     | <p>This attribute has no effect on UNIX raw partitions. If a raw partition is the root partition and contains mount points for other file systems, the other file systems are not backed up when this attribute is enabled.</p>                                                                                                                                                             |
| <code>ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES</code> directive | <p>Do not use this attribute in policies on UNIX systems where you use the <code>ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES</code> directive in the backup selection list.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Mount points to disk storage            | <p>Do not cross mount points to back up a media server that uses mount points to any disk storage that contains backup images. If the policy crosses mount points, the NetBackup backup images that reside on that disk storage are backed up. The NetBackup <b>BasicDisk</b> disk type and the Enterprise Disk Option disk types use mount points for disk storage.</p>                    |

## Examples of using Cross mount points and Follow NFS in combination

By using **Cross mount points** and **Follow NFS** in combination, you can get a variety of results. [Table 15-16](#) summarizes the possible results.

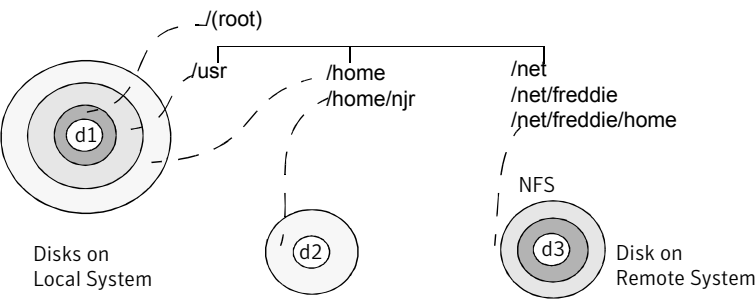
**Table 15-16** Results of using Cross mount point and Follow NFS in combination

| Cross mount points | Follow NFS | Result                                                                                                                                           |
|--------------------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Disabled           | Disabled   | No crossing of mount points (default).                                                                                                           |
| Disabled           | Enabled    | Back up NFS files if the file path is (or is part of) an NFS mount.                                                                              |
| Enabled            | Disabled   | Cross local mount points but not NFS mounts.                                                                                                     |
| Enabled            | Enabled    | Follow the specified path across mount points to back up files and directories (including NFS), regardless of the file system where they reside. |

**Note:** NetBackup specifically excludes mapped directories even if **Follow NFS** and **Cross mount points** are enabled. To back up mapped directories, include the directories in the file list.

Example 1 and Example 2 assume that the client disks are partitioned as shown in [Figure 15-5](#).

**Figure 15-5** Example configuration of client disks



**Table 15-17**      Legend

| Disks | Description                                                                           |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| d1    | Contains /(root), /usr, and /home in separate partitions.                             |
| d2    | Contains a file system named /home/njr. Mounted on /home, which is a partition on d1. |
| d3    | Contains a directory named /net/freddie/home that is NFS-mounted on /net/freddie      |

Example 1:

- **Cross mount points** and **Follow NFS** are not selected.
- The backup selection list contains the following entry:  
     /usr/home
- In this case, NetBackup considers only the directories and files that are in the same file system as the backup selection list entry. It does not back up  
     /home/njr **or** /net/freddie/home.

Example 2:

- **Cross mount points** and **Follow NFS** are selected.
- The backup selection list only contains a forward slash:  
     /
- In this case, NetBackup backs up all the files and directories in the tree, including those under /home/njr and /net/freddie/home.

To back up only /usr and individual files under /, leave / out of the list and separately list the files and directories you want to include. For example:

```
/usr
/individual_files_under_root
```

## Compression (policy attribute)

The **Compression** attribute specifies that the backups use the software compression that is possible, based on the policy type. Check the box to enable compression. By default, compression is disabled.

Compression reduces the size of a backup by reducing the size of files in the backup. In turn, the smaller backup size decreases the number of media that is required for storage. Compression also decreases the amount of data that travels over the network as well as the network load. However, compression increases the overhead computing on the client and increases backup time due to the time

required to compress the files. The lower transfer rate that is associated with compression on the client reduces the ability of some tape devices (notably 8mm) to stream data. The effect of the lower transfer rate causes additional wear on those devices.

The savings in media and network resources continue to make compression desirable unless total backup time or client computing resources become a problem. If total backup time is a problem, consider multiplexing. The NetBackup multiplexing feature backs up clients in parallel, reducing the total time to back them up.

See [“About multiplexing”](#) on page 685.

The degree to which a file can be compressed depends on the data type. A backup usually involves more than one type of data. Examples include stripped and unstripped binaries, ASCII, and the non-unique strings that repeat. Some data types are more favorable to compression.

**Note:** When compression is not used, the server may receive more data than the space that exists on the client. The discrepancy is due to client disk fragmentation and the file headers that the client adds. (To tell how much space a file occupies, run the `du` command. To tell how much free disk space is available, run the `df` command.)

[Table 15-18](#) describes factors to consider when you choose to use **Compression**.

**Table 15-18**      Considerations for Compression

| Item                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Data types that compress well        | Programs, ASCII files, and unstripped binaries (typically 40% of the original size).<br><br>Best-case compression: Files that are composed of the strings that repeat can sometimes be compressed to 1% of their original size. |
| Data types that do not compress well | Stripped binaries (usually 60% of original size).<br><br>Worst-case compression: Files that are already compressed become slightly larger if compressed again.                                                                  |
| Effect of file size                  | File size has no effect on the amount of compression. However, it takes longer to compress many small files than a single large one.                                                                                            |
| Client resources that are required   | Compression requires client computer processing unit time and as much memory as the administrator configures.                                                                                                                   |

**Table 15-18**      Considerations for Compression (*continued*)

| Item                                                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |          |          |      |          |      |      |      |       |     |          |          |    |      |       |      |      |          |      |      |      |    |      |          |      |      |      |      |    |      |      |  |  |
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| Effect on client performance                             | Compression uses as much of the computer processing unit as available and affects other applications that require the computer processing unit. For fast CPUs, however, I/O rather than CPU speed is the limiting factor.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |          |          |      |          |      |      |      |       |     |          |          |    |      |       |      |      |          |      |      |      |    |      |          |      |      |      |      |    |      |      |  |  |
| Files that are not compressed                            | <p>NetBackup does not compress the following files:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Files that are equal to or less than 512 bytes, because that is the tar block size.</li><li>■ On UNIX clients, files with the following suffixes:</li></ul> <table><tr><td>.arc</td><td>.gz</td><td>.iff</td><td>.sit.bin</td></tr><tr><td>.arj</td><td>.hqx</td><td>.pit</td><td>.tiff</td></tr><tr><td>.au</td><td>.hqx.bin</td><td>.pit.bin</td><td>.Y</td></tr><tr><td>.cpt</td><td>.jpeg</td><td>.scf</td><td>.zip</td></tr><tr><td>.cpt.bin</td><td>.jpg</td><td>.sea</td><td>.zom</td></tr><tr><td>.F</td><td>.lha</td><td>.sea.bin</td><td>.zoo</td></tr><tr><td>.F3B</td><td>.lzh</td><td>.sit</td><td>.z</td></tr><tr><td>.gif</td><td>.pak</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ On UNIX clients, if a compressed file has a unique file extension, exclude it from compression by adding it under the Client Settings (UNIX) properties.</li></ul> | .arc     | .gz      | .iff | .sit.bin | .arj | .hqx | .pit | .tiff | .au | .hqx.bin | .pit.bin | .Y | .cpt | .jpeg | .scf | .zip | .cpt.bin | .jpg | .sea | .zom | .F | .lha | .sea.bin | .zoo | .F3B | .lzh | .sit | .z | .gif | .pak |  |  |
| .arc                                                     | .gz                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | .iff     | .sit.bin |      |          |      |      |      |       |     |          |          |    |      |       |      |      |          |      |      |      |    |      |          |      |      |      |      |    |      |      |  |  |
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| .au                                                      | .hqx.bin                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | .pit.bin | .Y       |      |          |      |      |      |       |     |          |          |    |      |       |      |      |          |      |      |      |    |      |          |      |      |      |      |    |      |      |  |  |
| .cpt                                                     | .jpeg                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | .scf     | .zip     |      |          |      |      |      |       |     |          |          |    |      |       |      |      |          |      |      |      |    |      |          |      |      |      |      |    |      |      |  |  |
| .cpt.bin                                                 | .jpg                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | .sea     | .zom     |      |          |      |      |      |       |     |          |          |    |      |       |      |      |          |      |      |      |    |      |          |      |      |      |      |    |      |      |  |  |
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| .gif                                                     | .pak                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |          |          |      |          |      |      |      |       |     |          |          |    |      |       |      |      |          |      |      |      |    |      |          |      |      |      |      |    |      |      |  |  |
| Effect of using with storage units with SIS capabilities | If compressed data is written to a storage unit that has single-instance store (SIS) capabilities, the storage unit may not be able to use data deduplication on the compressed or the encrypted data. In data deduplication, only one instance of the file is stored. Subsequent instances of the file reference the single file.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |          |          |      |          |      |      |      |       |     |          |          |    |      |       |      |      |          |      |      |      |    |      |          |      |      |      |      |    |      |      |  |  |

## Encryption (policy attribute)

The **Encryption** attribute determines whether the backup should be encrypted. When the server initiates the backup, it passes on the **Encryption** policy attribute to the client in the backup request.

The client compares the **Encryption** policy attribute to the **Encryption** host properties for the client. If the encryption permissions for the client are set to REQUIRED or ALLOWED, the policy can encrypt the backups for that client.

See “[Encryption properties](#)” on page 122.

For additional encryption configuration information, see the *NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide*.

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**Note:** If encrypted data is written to a storage unit that has single-instance store (SIS) capabilities, the storage unit may not be able to use data deduplication on the compressed or the encrypted data. In data deduplication, only one instance of the file is stored. Subsequent instances of the file reference the single file.

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## Collect disaster recovery information for Bare Metal Restore (policy attribute)

The **Collect disaster recovery information for Bare Metal Restore** attribute specifies whether the BMR client agent runs on each client. If the attribute is enabled, the BMR client agent runs before each backup to save the configuration information of the client. The **Activity Monitor** displays the activity as a job separate from the backup.

Only policy types **MS-Windows** (for Windows clients) and **Standard** (for UNIX clients) support this policy attribute. This attribute is enabled by default when one of these policy types is used to create a policy on a master server that is licensed for BMR.

For more information, see the *Bare Metal Restore Administrator's Guide for UNIX, Windows, and Linux*.

## Collect true image restore information (policy attribute) with and without move detection

The **Collect true image restore information** attribute specifies whether the policy collects the information necessary to perform a true image restore. A true image restore (TIR) restores the contents of a directory to reflect the contents of the directory at the time of an incremental or a full backup. Files that were deleted before the backup are not restored.

With the attribute enabled, a restore based on an incremental backup includes all files that were backed up since the last full backup. The restore also includes those files that were deleted at any time during that period.

NetBackup starts to collect the true image restore information with the next full or incremental backup for the policy. The true image restore information is collected for each client regardless of whether any files were changed.

NetBackup does not provide true image restores based on the time of a user backup or archive. However, NetBackup uses a user backup for a true image restore if the backup is more recent than the latest automatic full or incremental backup.

For true image incremental backups, enable **With move detection** to include the files that were moved, renamed, or newly installed in the directories. These files



may be from a tar or a zip archive. (Depending on how the files were packaged and how they were installed, some newly installed files are not backed up by non-TIR incremental backups.

NetBackup detects changes by comparing path names and inode numbers with those from the previous full or incremental backup. If either the name or an inode number is new or changed, the file or directory is backed up. NetBackup begins to collect the information for move detection with the next full or incremental backup for the policy. This first backup after the attribute is set always backs up all files, even if it is an incremental backup.

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**Note: With move detection** must be enabled to create a synthetic backup.

See [“Synthetic backup \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 670.

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The following examples show how move detection backs up the files that otherwise would not be backed up:

- A file that is named `/home/pub/doc` is moved to `/home/spec/doc`. The modification time is unchanged but `/home/spec/doc` is new in the `/home/spec/` directory and is backed up.
- A directory that is named `/etc/security/dev` is renamed as `/etc/security/devices`. The modification time is unchanged but `/etc/security/devices` is a new directory and is backed up.
- A file that is named `/home/pub/doc` is installed when extracted from a UNIX tar file. The modification time is before the time of the last backup. The file is new in the `/home/pub/` directory and is backed up.
- A file that is named `docA` is removed, then a file that is named `docB` is renamed as `docA`. The new `docA` has the same name but since its inode number has changed, it is backed up.

NetBackup begins to collect the information that is required for move detection with the next full or incremental backup for the policy. This first backup after the attribute is set always backs up all files, even if it is an incremental backup.

Move detection consumes space on the client and the backup can fail if there is not enough disk space available.

### Example of true image restores

The following table lists the files that were backed up in the `/home/abc/doc/` directory during a series of backups between 12/01/2009 and 12/04/2009. **Collect true image restore information** was enabled for the policy that performed the backups.

Table 15-19      Sample backups taken before a true image restore

| Day        | Type of backup | Files that are backed up in /home/abc/doc |       |            |            |       |            |       |  |
|------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------|-------|------------|------------|-------|------------|-------|--|
| 12/01/2009 | Full           | file1                                     | file2 | dirA/fileA | dirB/fileB | file3 |            |       |  |
| 12/02/2009 | Incremental    | file1                                     | file2 | dirA/fileA | -----      | ----- |            |       |  |
| 12/03/2009 | Incremental    | file1                                     | file2 | dirA/fileA | -----      | ----- |            |       |  |
| 12/04/2009 | User backup    | file1                                     | file2 | dirA/fileA | -----      | ----- | dirC/fileC | file4 |  |
| 12/04/2009 | Incremental    | file1                                     | file2 | -----      | -----      | ----- | -----      | file4 |  |

**Note:** Dashes ( ----- ) indicate that the file was deleted before this backup.

A restore of the 12/04/2009 version of the /home/abc/doc/ directory produces following results:

After a regular restore

The restored directory contains all files and directories that ever existed in /home/abc/doc/ from 12/01/2009 (last full backup) through 12/04/2009:

file1  
file2  
dirA/fileA  
dirB/fileB  
file3  
dirC/fileC  
file4

After a true image restore

The restored directory contains only the files and directories that existed at the time of the incremental backup:

```
file1
file2
file4
```

NetBackup does not restore any of the files that were deleted before the 12/04/2009 incremental backup.

The restored directory does not include the subdirectories `dirA` and `dirC`, even though they were backed up on 12/04/2009 with a user backup.

NetBackup did not restore these directories because they did not exist at the time of the incremental backup. The incremental backup was the reference for the true image restore.

Consider the following points to use either **Collect true image restore** or **Collect true image restore with move detection**:

- NetBackup collects additional information for the incremental backups that collect true image restore information. Policies that use move detection require even more space.
- Incremental backups are slower for a policy in which true image restore information is collected.
- Configure the period of time that NetBackup retains the true image restore information. Set the **Keep true image restoration (TIR) information** property in the **Clean-up** properties dialog box.  
See [“Clean-up properties”](#) on page 83.
- Only directories can be listed and selected. In true image restore mode, the client interface does not display individual files. Refer to the online Help in the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface for more information on true image restores.
- A true image restore preserves the files that are currently in the directory but were not present when the backup was completed. If you created a file `file5` after an incremental backup on 12/04/2009 but before a restore, the contents of the restored directory would be as follows:

```
file1
file2
file4
file5
```

## Allow multiple data streams (policy attribute)

The **Allow multiple data streams** attribute specifies that NetBackup can divide automatic backups for each client into multiple jobs. The directives, scripts, or templates in the backup selection list specify whether each job can back up only a part of the backup selection list. Because the jobs are in separate data streams, they can occur concurrently.

The directives, scripts, or templates in the backup selection list determine the number of streams (backup jobs) that start for each client. The list also determines how the backup selection list is divided into separate streams.

The following settings determine the number of streams that can run concurrently:

- Number of available storage units
- Multiplexing settings
- Maximum jobs parameters

Multistreamed jobs consist of a parent job to perform stream discovery and children jobs for each stream. Each child job displays its own job ID in the **Job ID** column in the **Activity Monitor**. The job ID of the parent job appears in the **Parent Job ID** column, which is not displayed by default. Parent jobs display a dash (-) in the **Schedule** column.

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**Note:** If this attribute is enabled, and a file system is in a client's exclude list, a NetBackup job appears in the **Activity Monitor** for the excluded file system. However, no files in the excluded file system are backed up by the job.

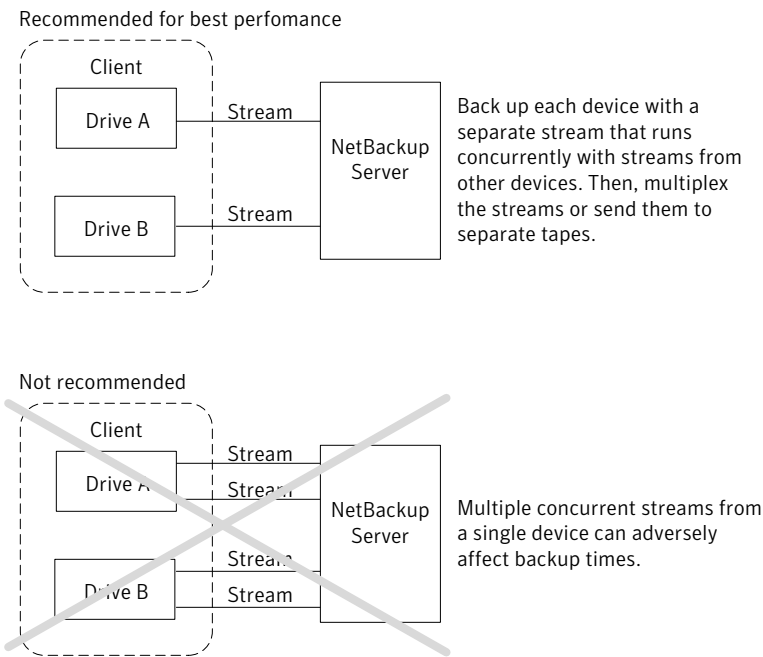
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The following table describes the reasons to use multiple data streams.

**Table 15-20** Reasons to use multiple data streams

| Reason                                                               | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| To reduce backup time                                                | <p>Multiple data streams can reduce the backup time for large backups by splitting the backup into multiple streams. Use multiplexing, multiple drives, or a combination of the two to process the streams concurrently.</p> <p>Configure the backup so each device on the client is backed up by a separate data stream that runs concurrently with streams from other devices.</p> <p>For best performance, use only one data stream to back up each physical device on the client. Multiple concurrent streams from a single physical device can adversely affect backup times. The heads must move back and forth between the tracks that contain files for the respective streams.</p> <p><a href="#">Figure 15-6</a> shows why multiple concurrent streams from a single device are not recommended.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| To reduce retry time for backup failures                             | <p>Because the backup streams run independently, the use of multiple data streams can shorten the retry time in the event of a backup failure. A single failure only terminates a single stream. NetBackup can restart the failed stream without restarting the others.</p> <p>For example, assume the backup for a 10-gigabyte partition is split into five streams, each containing 2 gigabytes. If the last stream fails after it writes 1.9 gigabytes (a total of 9.9 gigabytes is backed up), NetBackup retries only the last gigabyte stream. If the 10-gigabyte partition is backed up without multiple data streams and a failure occurs, the entire 10-gigabyte backup must be retried.</p> <p>The <b>Schedule backup attempts</b> property in the <b>Global Attributes</b> properties, applies to each stream. For example, if the <b>Schedule backup attempts</b> property is set to 3, NetBackup retries each stream a maximum of three times.</p> <p>The <b>Activity Monitor</b> displays each stream as a separate job. Use the job details view to determine the files that are backed up by each of these jobs.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Global Attributes properties”</a> on page 145.</p> |
| To reduce administration by running more backups with fewer policies | <p>Use multiple data streams in a configuration that contains large file servers with many file systems and volumes. Multiple data streams provide more backups with fewer policies than are otherwise required.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

Figure 15-6 Multiple stream recommendations



The following table describes the aspects of multiple data streams that are adjustable.

Table 15-21 Adjustable aspects of multiple data streams

| Item                        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The total number of streams | <p>The backup selection list determines the total number of streams that are started. The <b>NEW_STREAM</b> directive lets you configure a fixed number of streams, or you can allow the client dynamically define the streams.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the directives on the Backup Selections list”</a> on page 734.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> For best performance, use only one data stream to back up each physical device on the client. Multiple concurrent streams from a single physical device can adversely affect backup times. Backup times are affected because the device heads must move between the tracks that contain files for the respective streams.</p> |

**Table 15-21** Adjustable aspects of multiple data streams (*continued*)

| Item                                        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| The number of streams that run concurrently | <p>The following factors determine the number of streams that can run concurrently for a policy or client:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Number of the drives that are available.</li> <li>■ Maximum concurrent jobs settings for the policy and client.</li> <li>■ Storage unit and schedule multiplexing limit.</li> </ul> <p>Each storage unit and each schedule have a maximum multiplexing setting. The lower of the two settings is the limit for a specific schedule and storage unit. The maximum streams are limited to the sum of the multiplexing limits for all drives available in the storage unit and schedule combinations.</p> <p>For example, assume that two storage units have one drive in each. Multiplexing on storage unit 1 is set to 3 and multiplexing on storage unit 2 is set to 5. If multiplexing is set to 5 or greater in the schedules, then 8 streams can run concurrently.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Media multiplexing (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 685.</p> |

The maximum jobs settings limit the maximum number of streams as follows:

**Table 15-22** Job settings that limit the maximum number of streams

| Item                                            | Access method                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> (host property)  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the left pane, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b>.</li> <li>■ Select <b>Master Servers</b>, and in the right pane, double-click the master server you want to modify.</li> <li>■ In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click <b>Global Attributes</b>.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“Global Attributes properties”</a> on page 145.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Media multiplexing (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 685.</p> |
| <b>Limit jobs per policy</b> (policy attribute) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the left pane, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Policies</b>.</li> <li>■ In the right pane, double-click a policy you want to modify.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“Limit jobs per policy (policy attribute)”</a> on page 624.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Maximum data streams</b> (host property)     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the left pane, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties</b>.</li> <li>■ Select <b>Master Servers</b>, and in the right pane, double-click the master server you want to modify.</li> <li>■ In the properties dialog box, in the left pane, click <b>Client Attributes</b>.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“General tab of the Client Attributes properties”</a> on page 89.</p>                                                                 |

Job settings also affect the maximum number of streams. The following table describes the interdependency of these settings.

Table 15-23 Interdependency of job settings

| Item                                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Maximum data streams property is disabled. | NetBackup uses the value that is specified by either <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> or <b>Limit jobs per policy</b> , whichever is lower.                                                          |
| Maximum data streams property is enabled.  | NetBackup ignores <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> . Instead, NetBackup uses the value that is specified by either <b>Maximum data streams</b> or <b>Limit jobs per policy</b> , whichever is lower. |

See [“About the directives on the Backup Selections list”](#) on page 734.

## Disable client-side deduplication (policy attribute)

The **Disable client-side deduplication** attribute appears only if the NetBackup Deduplication Option license key is active.

The clients that are configured for client direct backup behave as follows when this attribute is enabled or disabled:

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Enabled  | The clients do not deduplicate their own data and do not send their backup data directly to the storage server. The NetBackup clients that are configured for client direct backup send their data to a deduplication media server. That server deduplicates the data and then sends it to the storage server. |
| Disabled | The clients that are configured for client direct backups deduplicate their data. They also send it directly to the storage server. Media server deduplication and data transport are bypassed.                                                                                                                |

The **Deduplication** property configures clients for client direct deduplication. The **Disable client-side deduplication** policy attribute overrides the **Deduplication** property. The **Deduplication** property is found on the **General** tab of the **Client Attributes** host properties.

See [“Where deduplication should occur”](#) on page 93.

See the *NetBackup Deduplication Guide*.

## Enable granular recovery (policy attribute)

The **Enable granular recovery** attribute is available for the following policy types:

- MS-Exchange-Server
- MS-SharePoint
- MS-Windows (for Active Directory)



With this option enabled, users can restore the individual objects that reside within a database backup image, such as:

- A user account from an Active Directory database backup
- Email messages or folders from an Exchange database backup
- A document from a SharePoint database backup

Granular-level restores can be performed only if the backup was written to a disk storage unit.

For more information on how to configure NetBackup to perform granular-level backups with a specific agent, see the following:

- *NetBackup for Microsoft SharePoint Server Administrator's Guide*
- *NetBackup for Microsoft Exchange Server Administrator's Guide*

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**Note:** In IPv6-enabled NetBackup 7.1 environments, granular recovery is not supported for Exchange Server or SharePoint Server.

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For more information on how to configure NetBackup to perform granular-level backups with Active Directory, see the following:

See [“Active Directory granular backups and recovery”](#) on page 754.

## Use accelerator (policy attribute)

The NetBackup Accelerator increases the speed of full backups. The increase in speed is made possible by change detection techniques on the client. The client uses the change detection techniques and the client's current file system to identify the changes that occurred since the last backup. The client sends the changed data to the media server in a more efficient backup stream. The media server combines the changed data with the rest of the client's data that is stored in previous backups.

If a file or portion of a file is already in storage and has not been changed, note: The media server uses the copy in storage rather than reading it from the client. The end result is a full NetBackup backup.

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**Note:** Accelerator is most appropriate for client data that does not experience a high rate of change.

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Accelerator has the following advantages:

- Reduces the I/O and CPU overhead on the client. The result is a faster backup and less load on the client.
- Creates a compact backup stream that uses less network bandwidth between client and server.
- Creates a full image that contains all data that is needed for restore.

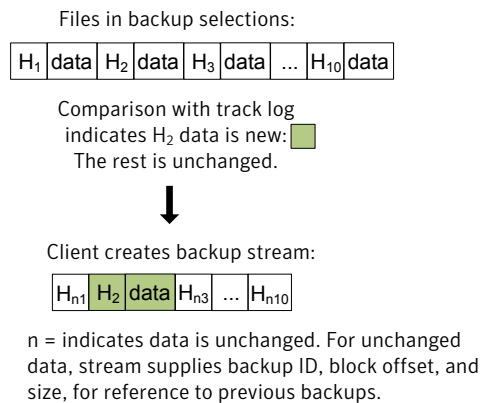
## How the NetBackup Accelerator works

The NetBackup Accelerator creates the backup stream and backup image as follows:

- If the client has no previous backup, NetBackup performs a full backup and creates a track log. The track log records information about the client's data, for comparison at the next backup.
- At the next backup, NetBackup identifies data that has changed since the previous backup. It compares the client's file system to the track log from the previous backup, or it uses the Windows change journal, if enabled. (The change journal applies to NTFS file systems only.)
- The NetBackup client sends to the media server a tar backup stream that consists of the following: The client's changed blocks, and the previous backup ID and data extents (block offset and size) of the unchanged blocks.
- The media server reads the client's changed blocks and the backup ID and file system descriptors of the unchanged blocks. From the backup ID and file system descriptors, the media server locates the rest of the client's data in existing backups.
- The media server directs the storage server to write the changed blocks and the unchanged blocks in a new full image.

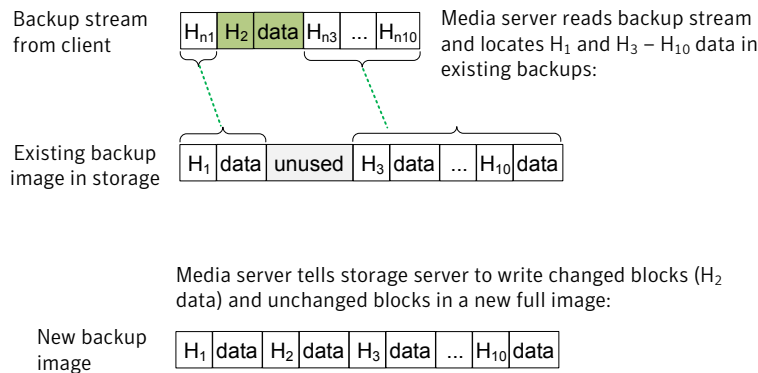
[Figure 15-7](#) shows how an Accelerator backup stream is composed.

**Figure 15-7** NetBackup client: Accelerator backup stream



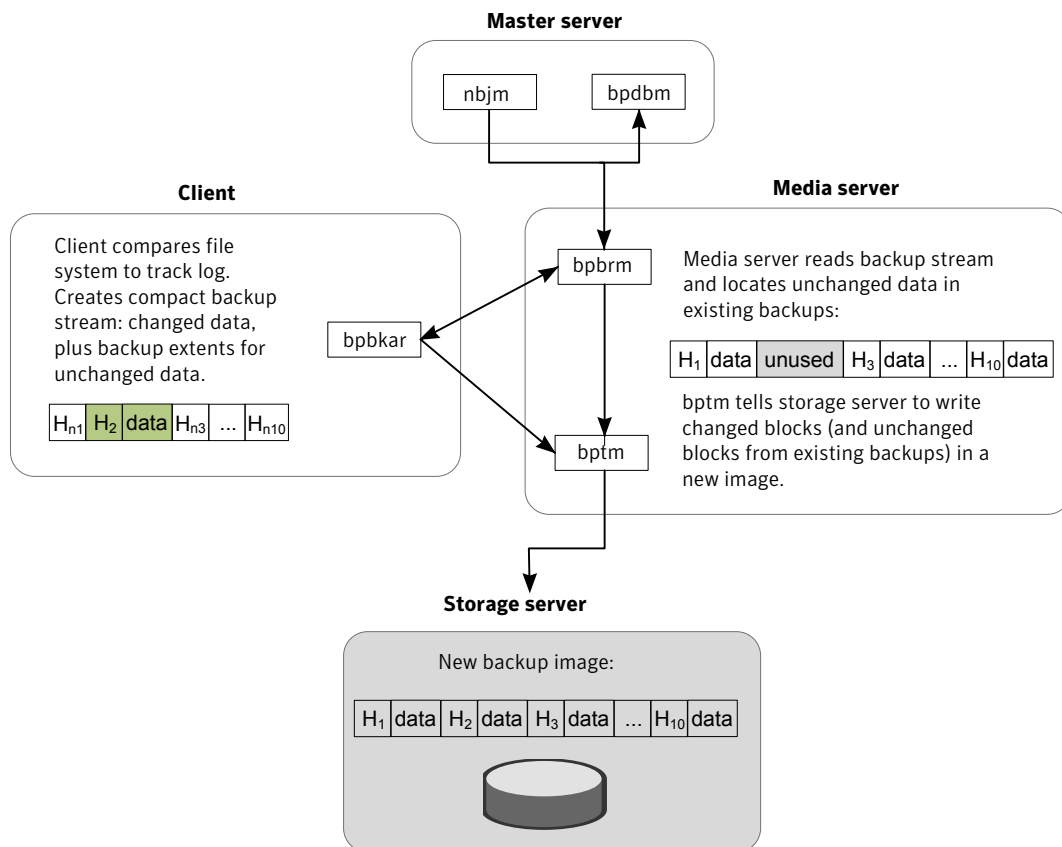
**Figure 15-8** shows how the media server constructs a backup image from the Accelerator stream and from previous backups:

**Figure 15-8** NetBackup media server constructs backup image



**Figure 15-9** recaps Accelerator details in the context of the principal NetBackup processes.

**Figure 15-9** Process overview of Accelerator backup



## Three speeds of Accelerator

The NetBackup Accelerator has three speeds:

- Standard acceleration, for both Windows and UNIX clients (the **Use accelerator** option on the policy **Attributes** tab).  
 The other speeds combine the **Use accelerator** option with one of the following options.
- Further acceleration is available for Windows clients. This setting requires the **Use Change Journal** option under **Host Properties > Clients > Windows Client > Client Settings**.  
 See [“Client Settings properties for Windows clients”](#) on page 106.

- For both Windows and UNIX clients, an additional type of change detection is available. This setting requires the **Accelerator forced rescan** option on the policy **Schedules** tab. This option is a slower setting for Accelerator than the other two options that are listed here.  
See [“Accelerator forced rescan \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 670.

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**Note:** The **Accelerator forced rescan** and **Use Change Journal** options cannot be combined. If **Accelerator forced rescan** is selected, the **Use Change Journal** option is ignored.

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## Accelerator notes and requirements

Note the following about Accelerator in NetBackup 7.5:

- NetBackup Accelerator requires the Data Protection Optimization Option license. For the latest information on licensing, contact your Symantec sales or partner representative.
- Supports the disk storage units only. Supported storage unit types are PureDisk (MSDP, PureDisk, appliance), cloud storage, and qualified third-party OST storage. The NetBackup device mapping files list all supported storage types.
- Supports the MS-Windows and Standard policy types only.
- Supports all features of NetBackup that work with the MS-Windows or Standard policy types.
- Supports the full backups and incremental backups.  
See [“Accelerator backups and the NetBackup catalog”](#) on page 650.
- Supports all platforms, file systems, and logical volumes that NetBackup supports.
- Supports the Windows NTFS change journal (**Use Change Journal** option) but does not support the VxFS change journal.
- If **Collect true image restore information** is enabled in the policy, Accelerator cannot use the **Use Change Journal** option. Policy validation succeeds, but the backup does not use the change journal.
- If a previous backup of the client does not exist, NetBackup performs a full backup and creates a track log on the client. This initial backup occurs at the speed of a normal (not accelerated) full backup. Subsequent Accelerator backups of the client use the track log for accelerated backup speed.

**Note:** When you first enable a policy to use Accelerator, the next backup (whether full or incremental) is in effect a full backup: It backs up all files in the **Backup Selections** tab. If that backup was scheduled as an incremental, it may not complete within the backup window. For example, when you upgrade policies to 7.5 and first enable the **Use accelerator** option, note: Make sure that the next backup window is large enough for a full backup.

- NetBackup retains track logs for future Accelerator backups. Whenever you change the **Backup Selections** list in a policy, the next backup is a normal full backup (not accelerated). A new track log is created.
- If the storage unit that is associated with the policy cannot be validated when you create the policy, note: The storage unit is validated later when the backup job begins. If Accelerator does not support the storage unit, the backup fails. In the `bpbbrm` log, a message appears that is similar to one of the following:

`Storage server %s, type %s, doesn't support image include.`

`Storage server type %s, doesn't support accelerator backup.`

## Accelerator backups and the NetBackup catalog

Use of the Accelerator does not affect the size of the NetBackup catalog. A full backup with Accelerator generates the same catalog size as a full backup of the same data without Accelerator. The same is true of incremental backups: use of Accelerator does not require more catalog space than the same backup without Accelerator.

A potential catalog effect does exist, depending on how often you use Accelerator with full backups. A full backup with Accelerator completes faster than a normal full. It may therefore be tempting to replace your incremental backups with Accelerator full backups. Note: Since a full backup requires more catalog space than an incremental, replacing incrementals with fulls increases the catalog size. When changing your incrementals to fulls, you must weigh the advantage of Accelerator fulls against the greater catalog space that fulls require compared to incrementals.

## Configuring Accelerator

The following table outlines the procedure to configure the full backups that use the NetBackup Accelerator.

**Table 15-24** To configure Accelerator on full backups

| Task                                                                                                                                                                               | Procedure and notes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Make sure that you have a storage unit that supports Accelerator.                                                                                                                  | <p>Accelerator supports disk storage units only. Supported storage unit types are PureDisk (MSDP, PureDisk, appliance), cloud storage, and qualified third-party OST storage.</p> <p>The NetBackup device mapping files contain a complete list of supported storage units (see the next task).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Update the NetBackup device mapping files if needed.                                                                                                                               | <p>The NetBackup device mapping files contain all storage device types that NetBackup can use. To add support for the new devices or upgraded devices that support Accelerator, download the current device mapping files from the Symantec support site.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the device mapping files”</a> on page 333.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Downloading the device mapping files”</a> on page 334.</p>                                                               |
| Configure a <b>Standard</b> or <b>MS-Windows</b> backup policy.                                                                                                                    | <p>Select the following on the policy <b>Attributes</b> tab:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ A disk storage unit that supports Accelerator.</li> <li>■ The <b>Use accelerator</b> option.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| For even faster backups for Windows clients, select the <b>Use Change Journal</b> attribute under <b>Host Properties &gt; Clients &gt; Windows Client &gt; Client Settings</b> .   | <p>This option allows NetBackup to obtain file change information from the client's NTFS change journal.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option applies to all volumes on the client. Note also that when you disable this option, the change journal is not removed from the client.</p> <p>The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option is not supported for UNIX clients.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Client Settings properties for Windows clients”</a> on page 106.</p> |
| To periodically establish a new baseline of change detection on the client, select the <b>Accelerator forced rescan</b> option on the <b>Schedule Attribute</b> tab of the policy. | <p>This option provides an additional level of change detection in the client's data for Accelerator. This option reduces the speed of Accelerator.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If <b>Accelerator forced rescan</b> is selected, the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option is ignored.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Accelerator forced rescan (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 670.</p>                                                                                                              |

### Accelerator messages in the backup job details log

A NetBackup backup that uses Accelerator writes a message similar to the following in the job details log:

```
11/23/2011 10:50:27 AM - Info bpbrm(pid=412) accelerator enabled
```

When the **Use Change Journal** option is selected for the client, a message similar to the following appears in the job details log:

```
9/24/2011 8:54:14 PM - Info bpbkar32(pid=7868) change journal enabled
for <C:\>
```

```
9/24/2011 8:54:14 PM - Info bpbkar32(pid=7868) using change journal
data for <C:\>
```

If the **Use Change Journal** option is selected but cannot be used, a message of the following form appears in the job details log:

```
NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: <reason ...>
```

See [“Log messages about the Use Change Journal option”](#) on page 653.

When the **Accelerator forced rescan** option is used, a message similar to the following appears in the job details log:

```
9/25/2011 5:46:52 PM - Info bpbrm(pid=4136) Accelerator enabled
backup with checksum based change detection needs to read each file and
calculate the checksum, and will have longer backup time.
```

See [“Log messages about the Use Change Journal option”](#) on page 653.

### NetBackup logs for Accelerator

For log messages about Accelerator, see the following NetBackup log directories.

**Table 15-25** NetBackup logs that pertain to Accelerator

| Log directory                                                                                | Resides on                       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| UNIX: /usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/bpbrm<br>Windows: <i>install_path</i> \NetBackup\logs\bpbrm | NetBackup master or media server |
| UNIX: /usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/bptm<br>Windows: <i>install_path</i> \NetBackup\logs\bptm   | NetBackup media server           |



Table 15-25 NetBackup logs that pertain to Accelerator (continued)

| Log directory                               | Resides on       |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------|
| UNIX: /usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/bpbkar     | NetBackup client |
| Windows: install_path\NetBackup\logs\bpbkar |                  |

To create the log directories, run the following command on the NetBackup servers and client:

Windows:

```
install_path\NetBackup\logs\mklogdir.bat
```

UNIX:

```
/opt/opensv/netbackup/logs/mklogdir
```

### Log messages about the Use Change Journal option

The **Use Change Journal** option allows Accelerator to identify data changes on Windows clients by means of the client's NTFS change journal. The following table describes NetBackup messages that may appear when you use this option with Accelerator. The left column lists the messages in the NetBackup job details log in the Activity Monitor.

**Note:** In the following messages, the variable <%%s> represents the items in your backup selections list.

Table 15-26 Accelerator messages on the Windows **Use change journal** option (job details log)

| Message in NetBackup job details                                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>:checksum validation requested | <p>The <b>Accelerator forced rescan</b> option is enabled on the full backup schedule for the policy. As a result, the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option cannot be used. Instead, Accelerator performs a regular file system scan to determine the files and folders to include in the backup.</p> <p>The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option can be used only when the <b>Accelerator forced rescan</b> option is not enabled.</p> |

**Table 15-26** Accelerator messages on the Windows **Use change journal** option (job details log) *(continued)*

| Message in NetBackup job details                                                              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: filter checksum calculation failed                   | <p>The backup uses a number of filters to determine which files and directories to include in the backup. The filters are the following: NetBackup exclude and include lists, the files and directories that are included in the Shadow Copy Components and in the system state backup, and others.</p> <p>During a backup, a checksum is calculated against the filters. When a new backup runs, the checksum for the current backup is compared against the checksum of the previous backup. If the checksums do not match, the Change Journal data cannot be used. Instead, Accelerator performs a regular file system scan to determine the files and folders to include in the backup.</p> <p>No action is required. If the filters do not change between backups, the Change Journal data is used at the next backup.</p> |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: unable to validate change journal usage <reason=%%s> | <p>Accelerator cannot use the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option in the following cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ No previous backup exists: No baseline update sequence number (USN) was established from the NTFS change journal.</li><li>■ The previous backup was not successful.</li></ul> <p>If these conditions or others are not met, the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option cannot be used. Accelerator performs a regular file system scan to determine the files and folders to include in the backup.</p> <p>No action is required. Accelerator uses the <b>Use ChangeJournal</b> option at the next backup if all conditions are met.</p>                                                                                                                                                           |

**Table 15-26** Accelerator messages on the Windows **Use change journal** option (job details log) (*continued*)

| Message in NetBackup job details                                                                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: unable to initialize change journal usage <reason=%%s> | <p>Accelerator cannot use the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option in the following cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If too much activity occurred on the system (records were purged from the Change Journal databases before they could be processed).</li> <li>■ If data corruption occurred.</li> </ul> <p>Instead, Accelerator performs a regular file system scan to determine the files and folders to include in the backup.</p> <p>No action is required. When records have been purged, a new baseline is created when the current backup completes. If corruption existed, it is detected and the databases are re-created. Accelerator uses the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option at the next backup.</p> |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: hard link or reparse point change detected             | <p>Accelerator cannot use the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option if a change corresponds to a hard link or to a reparse point. Note that the change may correspond to any number of files and directories and the NTFS Change Journal does not track all of them.</p> <p>No action is required. If no further changes occur to hard links or reparse points, the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option can be used at the next backup.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: not supported with true image backups                  | <p><b>Collect true image restore information</b> or <b>Collect true image restore information with move detection</b> is specified on the policy. The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option cannot be used. Accelerator must perform a regular file system scan to determine the files and folders to include in the backup.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: invalid schedule type                                  | <p>Accelerator does not support the selected schedule type with the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option.</p> <p>The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option is supported for incremental backups (cumulative or differential) or full backups. For full backups, <b>Use accelerator</b> must be enabled on the policy <b>Attributes</b> tab.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

**Table 15-26** Accelerator messages on the Windows **Use change journal** option (job details log) (*continued*)

| Message in NetBackup job details                                                                                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: path must be local and not contain directory junctions and/or symbolic links | In the backup selections, a path contains a reparse point (directory junction or a symbolic link). The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option cannot be used. NetBackup must perform a regular file system enumeration to back up the directories correctly.                                                                                                                            |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: it is not setup correctly                                                    | <p>The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option was recently enabled. After <b>Use Change Journal</b> is first enabled, the NetBackup client may need time to process the NTFS Change Journal and set up its databases.</p> <p>The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option may be ready at the next backup.</p>                                                                                  |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: unable to locate journal data                                                | <p>The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option was recently enabled. After <b>Use Change Journal</b> is first enabled, the NetBackup client may need time to process the NTFS Change Journal and set up its databases.</p> <p>The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option may be ready at the next backup.</p>                                                                                  |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: database is invalid                                                          | <p>When many changes occur on a volume, the NetBackup Client Service may need to increase the size of the internal databases. As a result, the databases may become invalid.</p> <p>After the databases are increased in size and are synchronized with the NTFS Change Journal, they are marked as valid. The <b>Use Change Journal</b> option is used with the next backup.</p> |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: unable to apply snapshot                                                     | <p>For a snapshot-based backup, NetBackup uses the Change Journal databases on the snapshot instead of on the live volume. An error occurred when NetBackup attempted to open the databases on the snapshot.</p> <p>When the next backup runs, NetBackup creates a new snapshot and the databases may be opened without error.</p>                                                |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: no previous track log                                                        | <p>No previous full backup exists that used Accelerator.</p> <p>NetBackup supports the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option with Accelerator on a full backup only if a previous full backup exists that used Accelerator.</p>                                                                                                                                                        |

**Table 15-26** Accelerator messages on the Windows **Use change journal** option (job details log) *(continued)*

| Message in NetBackup job details                                                                                                     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: not supported with regular full backups                                                     | The <b>Use accelerator</b> option is not enabled on the policy.<br><br>For full backups, the <b>Use ChangeJournal</b> option requires that <b>Use accelerator</b> is enabled.                                                    |
| NOT using change journal data for <%%s>: unable to validate change journal usage <reason=previous backup wasn't a successful backup> | If a backup is partially successful (status code 1), the next Accelerator backup cannot use the <b>Use ChangeJournal</b> option.<br><br>NetBackup can use the <b>Use Change Journal</b> option after the next successful backup. |

## Keyword phrase (policy attribute)

The **Keyword phrase** attribute is a phrase that NetBackup associates with all backups or archives based on the policy. Only the Windows and UNIX client interfaces support keyword phrases.

Clients can use the same keyword phrase for more than one policy. The same phrase for multiple policies makes it possible to link backups from related policies. For example, use the keyword phrase “legal department documents” for backups of multiple clients that require separate policies, but contain similar types of data.

The phrase can be a maximum of 128 characters in length. All printable characters are permitted including spaces and periods. By default, the keyword phrase is blank.

Clients can also specify a keyword phrase for a user backup or archive. A user keyword phrase overrides the policy phrase.

## Enable indexing for search (policy attribute)

The **Enable indexing for search** policy attribute is available for the following policy types:

- FlashBackup
- FlashBackup-Windows
- Hyper-V
- MS-Windows

- NDMP
- Standard
- VMware

The **Enable indexing for search** policy attribute enables indexing of the data that is backed up by the policy. You must also select an indexing server from the **Indexing server** drop-down list, which contains the names of previously configured indexing servers.

You must install the NetBackup Search licensed option before you can enable this attribute. For information about how to configure indexing for the NetBackup Search option, see the *NetBackup Search Administrator's Guide*.

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**Note:** You must also enable indexing on the **Policy** tab and on the **Client** tab to ensure proper indexing functionality.

If you enable indexing with VMware and Hyper-V policy types, you must also select **Enable file recovery from VM backup** on the **VMware** or **Hyper-V** tab of the policy window.

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## Indexing server (policy attribute)

The **Indexing server** drop-down list is available for the following policy types when the **Indexing** attribute for the policy is enabled:

- FlashBackup
- FlashBackup-Windows
- Hyper-V
- MS-Windows
- NDMP
- Standard
- VMware

The **Indexing server** drop-down list lets you select a configured indexing server for indexing the data that is backed up by the policy.

You must install the NetBackup Search licensed option before you can enable this attribute. For information about how to configure indexing for the NetBackup Search option, see the *NetBackup Search Administrator's Guide*.

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**Note:** You must also enable indexing on the **Schedule** tab and on the **Client** tab to ensure proper indexing functionality.

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## Snapshot Client (policy attributes)

The **Snapshot Client** attributes are available when the NetBackup Enterprise Client license is installed. A snapshot is a point-in-time, read-only, disk-based copy of a client volume.

For more information about the **Snapshot Client** attributes, see the following guides:

- *NetBackup Snapshot Client Administrator's Guide*
- *NetBackup for VMware Administrator's Guide*
- *NetBackup for Hyper-V Administrator's Guide*

## Microsoft Exchange (policy attributes)

The **Microsoft Exchange** attributes let you indicate the database backup source to use for the following:

- Exchange 2010 Database Availability Group
- Exchange 2007 replication backup

See the *NetBackup for Microsoft Exchange Server Administrator's Guide*.

## Schedules tab

The schedules that are defined on the **Schedules** tab determine when backups occur for the selected policy. Each schedule also includes various criteria, such as how long to retain the backups.

From the policy **Schedules** tab, perform the following tasks:

- To create a new schedule, click **New**.
- To edit a schedule, select the schedule and click **Change**.
- To delete a schedule, select the schedule and click **Delete**.

Schedule attributes appear on the following tabs:

### **Attributes** tab

Schedule the time and frequency at which a task runs, along with other scheduled attributes.

See [“Schedule Attributes tab”](#) on page 660.

|                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Start Window tab      | Schedule the time of each day that a task runs.<br><br>See “Start Window tab” on page 692.                                                                                                                                                             |
| Exclude Dates tab     | Indicate the dates that a task should not run.<br><br>See “Excluding dates from a policy schedule” on page 695.                                                                                                                                        |
| Calendar Schedule tab | Schedule the run days for a task by indicating specific dates, recurring weekdays, recurring days of the month. (This tab appears only when <b>Calendar</b> is selected as the <b>Schedule type</b> .)<br><br>See “Calendar Schedule tab” on page 696. |

## Schedule Attributes tab

The schedule **Attributes** tab contains both schedule information and other configuration options, beyond when the job is to run.

The following topics describe the options on the **Attributes** tab for schedules.

### Name (schedule attribute)

Specify a name for the schedule by typing it in the **Name** attribute. The schedule name appears on screens and messages about the schedule.

See “NetBackup naming conventions” on page 957.

If the schedule is a relocation schedule created as part of a basic disk staging storage unit, the schedule name cannot be changed. The name defaults to the name of the storage unit.

See “About staging backups” on page 513.

### Type of backup (schedule attribute)

The **Type of backup** attribute specifies the type of backup that the schedule controls. Select a backup type from the list. The list displays only the backup types that apply to the current policy.

If the schedule is a relocation schedule created as part of a basic disk staging storage unit, no backup type selection is needed.

Table 15-27 and Table 15-28 describe the types of backups available in NetBackup. Table 15-27 describes the types of backups that come standard with NetBackup.



**Table 15-27** Standard backup types

| Item                                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Full Backup</b>                     | <p>Backs up all of the files that are specified in the backup selections list for the policy. The files are backed up, regardless of when the files were last modified or backed up. Full backups occur automatically according to schedule criteria. If you run incremental backups, you must also schedule a full backup to perform a complete restore. Use this option if you configure a policy for a raw partition backup (formatted partitions only).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Cumulative Incremental Backup</b>   | <p>Backs up the files that are specified in the backup selections list that changed since the last full backup. All files are backed up if no previous backup was done. Cumulative incremental backups occur automatically according to schedule criteria. A complete restore requires the last full backup and the last cumulative incremental backup.</p> <p>Do not combine differential incremental backups and cumulative incremental backups within the same Windows policy when the incremental backups are based on archive bit (default).</p> <p>By default, if the time between file creation and a full or a differential incremental backup is less than 5 minutes, the differential or cumulative incremental backup may yield unexpected results. The backups are successful, but the additional files are backed up.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About incremental backups”</a> on page 663.</p> |
| <b>Differential Incremental Backup</b> | <p>Backs up the files that changed since the last successful incremental (differential or cumulative) or full backup. All files are backed up if no previous backup was done. Differential incremental backups occur automatically according to schedule criteria. A complete restore requires the last full backup, the last cumulative incremental, and all differential incremental backups that occurred since the last full backup.</p> <p>By default, if the time between file creation and a full or a differential incremental backup is less than 5 minutes, the differential or cumulative incremental backup may yield unexpected results. The backups are successful, but the additional files are backed up.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About incremental backups”</a> on page 663.</p>                                                                                                          |
| <b>User Backup</b>                     | <p>A user initiates a user backup through the Backup, Archive, and Restore client interface. A user backup backs up all files that the user specifies. Users can start backups only during the times that are allowed on the schedule <b>Start Window</b> tab.</p> <p>Use this backup type for a catalog archive.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Considerations for user schedules”</a> on page 668.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Creating a catalog archiving policy”</a> on page 801.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

Table 15-27      Standard backup types *(continued)*

| Item         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| User Archive | <p>A user initiates a user archive through the Backup, Archive, and Restore client interface. A user archive backup first backs up the files that the user indicates. Then it deletes the files from the local disk if the backup is successful. Archive backups free local disk space while retaining a copy for future use. The copy is kept until the retention period expires. Users can start archives only during the times that are specified in the schedule <b>Start Window</b> tab.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The NetBackup administrator should make sure that a full backup of the client exists before a user archives files from the client.</p> |

Table 15-28 describes the types of backups that are available when you install additional agents and options.

Table 15-28      Additional backup types

| Item                                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Application Backup                        | <p>Applies to all database agent clients.</p> <p>For more information, see the NetBackup guide that came with the product.</p>                                                                                                     |
| Automatic Backup                          | <p>Applies to all database agent clients, except NetBackup for Informix and NetBackup for Oracle.</p> <p>For more information, see the NetBackup guide for the database product.</p>                                               |
| Automatic Incremental Backup              | <p>Applies only to NetBackup for Informix clients.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>NetBackup for Informix Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>                                                                                   |
| Automatic Cumulative Incremental Backup   | <p>Applies only to NetBackup for Oracle clients.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>NetBackup for Oracle Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>                                                                                       |
| Automatic Differential Incremental Backup | <p>An automatic differential incremental backup applies only to NetBackup for Oracle clients.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>NetBackup for Oracle Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>                                          |
| Automatic Full Backup                     | <p>Applies only to NetBackup for Informix and NetBackup for Oracle clients.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>NetBackup for Informix Administrator's Guide</i> or the <i>NetBackup for Oracle Administrator's Guide</i>.</p> |

Table 15-28 Additional backup types (continued)

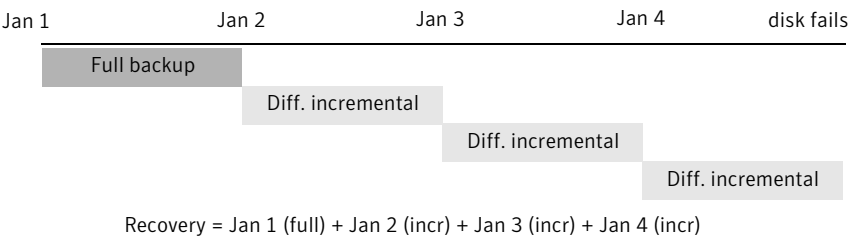
| Item                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Automatic Vault      | <p>Applies only to Vault policies. The option does not run a backup, but instead runs the command that is specified in the Vault policy's backup selections list. In this way it starts an automatic, scheduled vault session or vault eject operation. Available only when Vault is licensed.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Creating a Vault policy”</a> on page 752.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Vault Catalog Backup | <p>Use when the schedule is for a catalog backup policy that Vault uses. Available only when Vault is licensed.</p> <p>If this type is selected, you must configure one of the two schedule attribute combinations or the schedule cannot be saved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Check and configure <b>Multiple copies</b>, or</li><li>■ Check <b>Override policy storage selection</b>, <b>Override policy volume pool</b>, and specify the <b>Retention</b>.</li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> The selected storage unit selection should not be Any Available.</p> |

About incremental backups

The following examples show how data is included in a series of full and incremental backups.

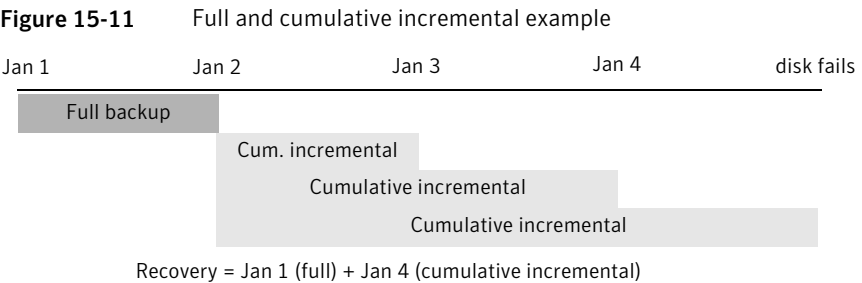
A differential incremental backup backs up the data that changed since the last full or differential incremental backup. [Figure 15-10](#) shows how data is included in a series of full and differential incremental backups between January 1 and January 4.

Figure 15-10 Full and differential incremental example



The January 1 full backup includes all files and directories in the policy backup selections list. The subsequent differential incremental backups include only the data that changed since the last full or differential incremental backup. If the disk fails sometime on January 4 (after the backup), the full backup and all three of the incremental backups are required for the recovery.

A cumulative incremental backup backs up the data that changed since the last full backup. [Figure 15-11](#) shows how data is included in a series of full and cumulative incremental backups between January 1 and January 4. The January 1 full backup includes all files and directories in the policy backup selections list. Each of the cumulative incremental backups include the data that changed since the last full backup. If the disk fails sometime on January 4 (after the backup), the full backup and the last cumulative incremental backup are required for the recovery.



[Table 15-29](#) describes how to determine the retention of differential and cumulative incremental backups to prevent a gap in backup coverage.

**Table 15-29** Retention requirements for incremental backups

| Type         | Retention requirement | Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Differential | Longer                | To restore all files requires the last full backup and all the differential incremental backups that occurred since the last full backup. Therefore, all the differentials must be kept until the next full backup occurs. |
| Cumulative   | Shorter               | Each cumulative incremental backup contains all the changes that occurred since the last full backup. Therefore, a complete restore requires only the most recent cumulative incremental in addition to the full backup.   |

[Table 15-30](#) compares the advantages and disadvantages of using differential or cumulative incremental backups based on possible backup and restore times.

**Table 15-30** Relative backup and restore times for incremental backups

| Type         | Backup time | Restore time | Comments                                                                                                                                                         |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Differential | Shorter     | Longer       | Less data in each backup, but all differential incremental backups are required since the last full backup for a restore. This results in a longer restore time. |

**Table 15-30** Relative backup and restore times for incremental backups  
*(continued)*

| Type       | Backup time | Restore time | Comments                                                                                                                                |
|------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cumulative | Longer      | Shorter      | More data in each backup, but only the last cumulative incremental backup is required for a complete restore (in addition to the full). |

You can use a combination of cumulative and differential incremental backups together to get the advantages of both methods. For example, assume a set of schedules with the following backup frequencies and retention periods. (Notice that the differential incremental backups occur more often.)

**Table 15-31** Example frequencies and retention periods

| Backup type              | Frequency | Retention period |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Full                     | Six days  | Two weeks        |
| Cumulative incremental   | Two days  | Four days        |
| Differential incremental | One day   | Two days         |

The schedules that are described in [Table 15-31](#) result in the following series of backups:

| Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 | Day 6 | Day 7 | Day 8 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Full  | Diff  | Cum   | Diff  | Cum   | Diff  | Full  | Diff  |

The example produces the following results:

- Every other day a differential incremental backup occurs, which usually has a minimum backup time.
- On alternate days, a cumulative incremental backup occurs, which requires more time than the differential backup, but not as much time as a full backup. The differential backup can now be expired.
- To recover all files may require (at most), two incremental backups in addition to the most recent full backup. The combination of backups usually means less restore time than if all differential incremental backups were used. The full backups can be done less often if the amount of data being backed up by the incremental backups is small.

## How NetBackup determines when Windows files are due for backup

On Windows clients, NetBackup performs the incremental backups when the **Perform incrementals based on archive bit** setting is enabled. This setting is found in the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface, under **File > NetBackup Client Properties**, on the **General** tab.

If **Perform incrementals based on archive bit** is enabled, incremental backups for the client are based on the state of the archive bit of each file. The operating system sets the bit whenever a file changes, and it remains set until cleared by NetBackup. The conditions under which NetBackup clears the bit depend on the type of backup being performed.

|                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Full Backup</b>                     | NetBackup backs up files regardless of the state of their archive bit. After a full backup, the archive bit is always cleared.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Differential Incremental Backup</b> | NetBackup backs up the files that have the archive bit set and have therefore changed. When the client receives a response from the server that indicates that the backup was successful (or partially successful) the archive bits are cleared. The clear archive bit lets the next differential incremental backup back up only the files that changed since the previous full or differential incremental backup. |
| <b>Cumulative Incremental Backup</b>   | NetBackup backs up the files that have the archive bit set. However, NetBackup does not clear the archive bits after the backup. Without a clear archive bit, the next cumulative incremental backup backs up changed files and the files that were in the cumulative incremental backup.                                                                                                                            |

If **Perform incrementals based on archive bit** is disabled, NetBackup includes a file in an incremental backup only if the datetime stamp of the file has changed since the last backup. The datetime stamp indicates when the file was last backed up. The backup types use the datetime stamp differently.

|                                        |                                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Full Backup</b>                     | NetBackup backs up files regardless of the datetime stamp.                                     |
| <b>Differential Incremental Backup</b> | NetBackup compares the datetime stamp of the file against the last full or incremental backup. |
| <b>Cumulative Incremental Backup</b>   | NetBackup compares the datetime stamp of the file against the last full backup.                |

If files are installed or copied from another computer, the new files retain the datetime stamp of the originals. If the original date is before the last backup date, the new files are not backed up until the next full backup.

## How NetBackup determines when UNIX files are due for backup

Incremental backups on UNIX clients consider all files and directories to determine if a backup is due based on a reference date. (That is, back up all the files that have changed since *date\_x*).

The following types of time are associated with UNIX files and directories:

|                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>mtime</code> | The file modification time. The file system updates the <code>mtime</code> for a file or directory each time the file is modified. An application can save the <code>mtime</code> of the file before it modifies it. The application then resets it with the <code>utime(2)</code> system call.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>atime</code> | The file access time. The file system updates the <code>atime</code> for a file or directory each time the file is accessed (read or write). An application can save the <code>atime</code> of the file before it accesses it. The application then resets it with the <code>utime(2)</code> system call.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <code>ctime</code> | The inode change time. The <code>ctime</code> for a file or directory is updated each time the file or directory's inode changes. (For example, changes due to permissions, ownership, and link-counts changes.) The <code>ctime</code> for a file or directory cannot be saved before a change, and then reset after a change. The <code>ctime</code> of a file or a directory changes when the <code>mtime</code> and <code>atime</code> (changes with the <code>utime(2)</code> system call) is reset. |

When NetBackup reads the data for a file that is included in a backup, it does not affect the file modification time. It does affect the access time of the file. For this reason, NetBackup saves the `atime` and `mtime` of the file before it reads the file. Then NetBackup resets the `atime` and `mtime` with the `utime(2)` system call. NetBackup does not cause problems for storage migration products or the administrator scripts that use file access times (`atime`) as criteria for their operations. While this benefit is obvious, a side effect is that it does update the `ctime` of the file.

Customers can configure NetBackup so that it does not reset the access time of the file after it reads a file. Customers can choose to have NetBackup use the `ctime` and the `mtime` of the file to determine what files to include in an incremental backup. Normally, these two options are used together, but there may be some sites that want to use one without the other. By default, NetBackup uses only the `mtime` of the file to determine what files and directories to back up.

When a file is moved from one location to another, the `ctime` of the file changes, but the `mtime` remains unchanged. If NetBackup uses only the `mtime` to determine the files that are due during an incremental backup, it does not detect these moved files. For sites where using the `mtime` might create a problem, use the `ctime` to determine files due to be included in an incremental backup. The `ctime` is used if the `bp.conf` file contains the `USE_CTIME_FOR_INCREMENTALS` and `DO_NOT_RESET_FILE_ACCESS_TIME` entries.

See [“USE\\_CTIME\\_FOR\\_INCREMENTALS bp.conf entry for UNIX clients”](#) on page 304.

See [“DO\\_NOT\\_RESET\\_FILE\\_ACCESS\\_TIME bp.conf entry for UNIX clients”](#) on page 296.

When a directory is moved from one location to another, the `ctime` of the directory changes, but the `mtime` remains unchanged. Neither the `mtime` nor the `ctime` are changed for the files or directories within the moved directory. No reliable method using file timestamps can determine that files within a moved directory need to be included in an incremental backup.

In either case, these moved files and directories are included in subsequent full backups.

### Considerations for user schedules

In order for users to perform backups and archives, an administrator must create a schedule that allows user backups.

User backup schedules and user archive schedules can be included in a policy that contains automatic backup schedules. If you create separate policies for user backups or user archives, the considerations are similar to those for automatic backups. In user backup schedules, however, no backup selection list is necessary because users select the objects before they start the backup or archive.

To use a specific policy or schedule for user backups or user archives, perform the tasks that are specified for each client type:

**Table 15-32** Tasks for specifying a policy or schedule for user backups or user archives

| Client type               | Task                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Microsoft Windows clients | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Start the <b>Backup, Archive, and Restore</b> client interface.</li><li>■ On the <b>File</b> menu, click <b>NetBackup Client Properties</b></li><li>■ Select the <b>Backups</b> tab, and specify the backup policy and backup schedule.</li></ul> |



**Table 15-32** Tasks for specifying a policy or schedule for user backups or user archives *(continued)*

| Client type            | Task                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NetWare target clients | Specify the policy and schedule with <code>backup_policy</code> and <code>backup_sched</code> entries in the <code>bp.ini</code> file.                                                                      |
| UNIX clients           | Specify the policy and schedule with <code>BPARCHIVE_POLICY</code> , <code>BPARCHIVE_SCHED</code> , <code>BPBACKUP_POLICY</code> , or <code>BPBACKUP_SCHED</code> options in the <code>bp.conf</code> file. |

Restores can be performed at any time and are not scheduled.

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**Note:** An archive is different from a backup. During an archive, NetBackup first backs up the selected files, then deletes the files from the local disk if the backup is successful. In this topic, references to backups also apply to the backup portion of archive operations unless otherwise noted.

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## How to plan schedules for user backups and user archives

To plan schedules for user backups and user archives, consider the following:

|                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Automatic backups | <p>If possible, do not permit user backups and user archives when automatic backups are running. If an automatic backup is running when a user submits a backup or archive, NetBackup usually queues the user job. The job is not queued if there is a limiting setting. (For example, the <b>Limit Jobs per Policy</b> policy attribute or the <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> Global Attributes host property.)</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Limit jobs per policy (policy attribute)”</a> on page 624.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Global Attributes properties”</a> on page 145.</p> <p>If the automatic backup continues to run, the user job may miss the backup window depending on how the limiting settings are configured. On the other hand, user jobs can delay automatic backups and can cause backups to miss the backup window.</p> |
| Storage units     | Use a different storage unit to eliminate conflicts with automatic backups.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Volume pools      | Use a different volume pool to manage the media separate from the automatic backup media.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

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|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Retention periods | <p>Consider setting the retention period for archives to infinite, since the disk copy of the files is deleted.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Retention Periods with end dates beyond 2038, excluding Infinity”</a> on page 206.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If the retention period expires for a backup, it can be difficult or impossible to restore the archives or backups.</p> |
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## Synthetic backup (schedule attribute)

The **Synthetic backup** schedule attribute allows a backup to be assembled from previous backups. A synthetic backup may be a synthetic full or a synthetic cumulative incremental backup. The backups include one previous, traditional full backup, and subsequent differential backups, and a cumulative incremental backup. (A traditional full backup means a non-synthesized, full backup.) A client can then use the synthesized backup to restore files and directories in the same way that a client restores from a traditional backup.

Synthetic backups can be written to tape, to disk storage units, or to a combination of both.

## Accelerator forced rescan (schedule attribute)

This option checksums the content of each file during backup. It uses the checksums for change detection. It provides a safety net by establishing a new baseline for the next Accelerator backup.

For example, you can set up a weekly full backup schedule with the **Use accelerator** option on the policy Attributes tab. You can supplement that policy with a second schedule that enables the **Accelerator forced rescan** option, to run every six months.

This option is grayed out if the **Use accelerator** option on the **Attributes** tab is not selected.

Because of the checksum processing on the client, this option reduces backup speed as compared to the **Use accelerator** option on its own. The speed reduction depends on the client's configuration and its current processing load. If the client is busy with many jobs when Accelerator backup begins, checksum processing can reduce backup speed.

The **Accelerator forced rescan** option is on the **Schedules** tab of the policy.

## Enable indexing for search (schedule attribute)

The **Enable indexing for search** schedule attribute is available for the following policy types:

- FlashBackup
- FlashBackup-Windows
- Hyper-V
- MS-Windows
- NDMP
- Standard
- VMware

The **Enable indexing for search** schedule attribute enables indexing of the data that is backed up according to the schedule. If you enable the **Enable indexing for search** schedule attribute, an indexing job runs after the completion of the backup job. An indexing job allows the NetBackup Search option to find indexed backup images.

You must install the NetBackup Search licensed option before you can enable this attribute. For information about how to configure indexing for the NetBackup Search option, see the *NetBackup Search Administrator's Guide*.

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**Note:** You must also enable indexing on the **Policy** tab and on the **Client** tab to ensure proper indexing functionality.

If you enable indexing with VMware and Hyper-V policy types, you must also select **Enable file recovery from VM backup** on the **VMware** or **Hyper-V** tab of the policy window.

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## Calendar (schedule attribute)

Calendar-based schedules allow administrators to select specific days to run a policy. Select **Calendar** to display the **Calendar Schedule** tab.

See “[Calendar Schedule tab](#)” on page 696.

A calendar-based relocation schedule determines the days that images are swept from the disk staging storage unit to the final destination storage unit. (A relocation schedule is created as part of a basic disk staging storage unit configuration.)

Enable **Retries allowed after runday** to have NetBackup attempt to complete the schedule until the backup is successful. With this attribute enabled, the schedule attempts to run, even after a specified runday has passed.

## Frequency (schedule attribute)

Use the **Frequency** attribute to specify how much time must elapse between the successful completion of a scheduled task and the next attempt.

For example, assume that a schedule is set up for a full backup with a frequency of one week. If NetBackup successfully completes a full backup for all clients on Monday, it does not attempt another backup for this schedule until the following Monday.

To set the frequency, select a frequency value from the list. The frequency can be hours, days, or weeks.

A frequency-based relocation schedule determines how often images are swept from the basic disk staging storage unit to the final destination storage unit. (A relocation schedule is created as part of a basic disk staging storage unit configuration.)

NetBackup recognizes the intervals that suggest schedules based on days, even if the job does not run daily. For example, if the frequency is 48 hours, NetBackup tries to run the job at the same time every other day. (NetBackup checks if the frequency is divisible by 24 hours.) If the interval is not divisible by 24, NetBackup does not attempt to run the job at about the same time of day. Instead, NetBackup tries to run the job at the indicated interval after the last successful backup. (For example, 52 hours later.)

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**Note:** **Frequency** does not apply to user schedules because the user can perform a backup or archive whenever the time window is open.

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## About backup frequency

To determine backup frequency, consider how often data changes. For example, determine if files change several times a day, once a day, weekly, or monthly.

Typically, sites perform daily backups to preserve daily work. Daily backups ensure that only one day's work is lost in case of a disk failure. More frequent backups are necessary when important data changes many times during the day and the changes would be difficult to reconstruct.

Daily backups are usually the incremental backups that record the changes since the last incremental or full backup. Incremental backups conserve resources because they use less storage and take less time to perform than full backups.

Full backups usually occur less frequently than incremental backups but should occur often enough to avoid accumulating consecutive incremental backups. A large number of incremental backups between full backups increases the time it takes to restore a file. The time increases because of the effort that is required to merge the incremental backups when files and directories upon restore.

Consider the following when setting the frequency for full backups:

- Extend the time between full backups for the files that seldom change. A longer frequency uses fewer system resources. It also does not significantly increase recovery time because the incremental backups between full backups are smaller.
- Decrease the time between full backups for the files that change frequently. A shorter frequency decreases restore time. A shorter time between full backups can also use fewer resources. It reduces the cumulative effect of the longer incremental backups that are necessary to keep up with frequent changes in the files.

To achieve the most efficient use of resources, ensure that most of the files in a given policy change at about the same rate. For example, assume that half of the files in a policy selection list change frequently enough to require a full backup every week. However, the remaining files seldom change and require monthly full backups only. If all the files are in the same policy, full backups are performed weekly on all the files. This wastes system resources because half the files need full backups only once a month. A better approach is to divide the backups into two policies, each with the appropriate backup schedule, or to use synthetic backups.

If more than one automatic schedule is due for a client within a policy, the backup frequency determines the schedule that NetBackup uses as follows:

- Jobs from the schedule with the lower frequency (longer period between backups) always have higher priority. For example, a schedule that has a backup frequency of one month takes priority over a schedule with a backup frequency of two weeks.
- When two schedules are each due to run, the schedule with the schedule name that is first in alphabetical order runs first. Alphabetical priority occurs if both of the following are true:
  - Each schedule is within the defined time window.
  - Each schedule is configured with the same frequency value.

NetBackup prioritizes the example schedules in the following order:

Table 15-33      Examples of schedule frequency and priority

| Schedule Name     | Frequency | Priority |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|
| monthly_full      | One month | First    |
| weekly_full       | One week  | Second   |
| daily_incremental | One day   | Third    |

## Instant Recovery (schedule attribute)

The **Instant Recovery** attributes are available under the following conditions:

- The **Snapshot Client** option is licensed and installed.  
Refer to the *NetBackup Snapshot Client Administrator's Guide*.
- **Perform snapshot backups** is selected.
- **Retain snapshots for Instant Recovery** is selected.

See [“Snapshot Client \(policy attributes\)”](#) on page 659.

This attribute has two options.

|                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| <b>Snapshots and copy snapshots to a storage unit</b> | The snapshot persists on the client volume with a backup copy made to the storage unit on the media server.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Snapshots only</b>                                 | <p>The snapshot is not backed up to tape or to other storage. NetBackup creates a snapshot on disk only. This option is required for the <b>NAS_Snapshot</b> method.</p> <p>The snapshot is created on the same device as the one that contains the original data if it uses <b>VxFS_Checkpoint</b> method or is VxVM space optimized. In this case, another policy can be used to back up the data to a separate device.</p> <p>Transaction logs are not truncated at the end of the backup.</p> |

The **Instant Recovery** attributes are grayed out if the **Policy storage** option on the **Policy Attributes** tab refers to a storage lifecycle policy. If that is the case, the **Instant Recovery** attributes are governed by the storage lifecycle policy configuration.

However, the **Override policy storage selection** attribute on the **Schedule Attributes** tab overrides the **Policy storage** option. If a storage unit is selected on the **Schedule Attributes** tab, the **Instant Recovery** attributes become enabled.

See [“Policy storage \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 615.

See [“Override policy storage \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 680.

## Upgrades and policies that use Instant Recovery

Under certain circumstances, the environments that upgrade to NetBackup 7.5 and use **Instant Recovery** may experience snapshot failure.

The problem can occur only when all of the following circumstances are true:

- The environment was upgraded to NetBackup 7.5. New NetBackup installations are not affected.
- Before the upgrade to NetBackup 7.5, policies had the **Instant Recovery** schedule attribute enabled.
- Policies indicate a storage lifecycle policy as the **Policy storage** in the policy.
- The storage lifecycle policy contains a **Snapshot** operation.  
See [“Snapshot operation”](#) on page 565.

To correct the problem, perform one of the following actions and rerun the backup:

- Open the policy and enable the **Instant Recovery** schedule attribute.
- Use a **Backup** operation instead of a **Snapshot** operation in the storage lifecycle policy.  
See [“Backup operation”](#) on page 555.

## Multiple copies (schedule attribute)

When the **Multiple copies** attribute is enabled, NetBackup can create up to four copies of a backup simultaneously. The storage units must be on the same media server with sufficient resources available for each copy. For example, to create four copies simultaneously in a Media Manager storage unit, the unit needs four tape drives. (This option is sometimes referred to as Inline Copy, Inline Tape Copy, or ITC.)

The **Maximum backup copies** property specifies the total number of backup copies that may exist in the NetBackup catalog (2 through 10). NetBackup creates the number of copies that is specified under **Multiple copies**, or the number that the **Maximum backup copies** property specifies, whichever is fewer. **Maximum backup copies** is a **Global Attributes** host property.

See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

To create more than four copies, additional copies can be created at a later time using duplication.

If multiple original images are created simultaneously, the backup time that is required may be longer than for one copy. Also, if both Media Manager and disk storage units are specified, the duration of disk write operations match that of slower removable media write operations.

## About configuring for multiple copies

To create multiple copies, the following criteria must be met:

- The backup destinations must share the same media server with sufficient resources available for each copy.
- The storage units that are used for multiple copies must be configured to allow a sufficient number of concurrent jobs to support the concurrent copies. The pertinent storage unit settings are **Maximum concurrent jobs** and **Maximum concurrent write drives**.  
See [“Maximum concurrent jobs storage unit setting”](#) on page 501.  
See [“Maximum concurrent write drives storage unit setting”](#) on page 500.
- You can use a storage lifecycle policy to create multiple copies. However, the number of operations in the SLP cannot exceed the **Maximum backup copies** setting in the **Global Attributes** host properties. The SLP cannot be saved until the operations are decreased, or until the **Maximum backup copies** setting is increased.  
See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

Multiple copy operations do not support the following:

- Third-party copies
- NDMP storage units
- Storage units that use a QIC (quarter-inch cartridge) drive type
- Synthetic backups
- Storage lifecycle policies  
Storage lifecycle policies offer their own method to create multiple copies.  
See [“About writing multiple copies using a storage lifecycle policy”](#) on page 578.

Multiple copies can also be configured for a relocation schedule. A relocation schedule is created as part of basic disk staging storage unit configuration. The **Maximum backup copies** property must be set to include an additional copy beyond the number of copies to be created in the **Configure Multiple Copies** dialog box. For example, to create four copies in the **Configure Multiple Copies** dialog box, the **Maximum backup copies** property must be set to five or more.

Since NetBackup eventually relocates a backup from the initial, temporary staging storage unit to a final destination, NetBackup considers this backup to be one copy. NetBackup automatically counts this copy against the **Maximum backup copies** value.

## Configure Multiple Copies dialog box

The **Configure Multiple Copies** dialog box contains the following options:



**Table 15-34** Configure Multiple Copies dialog box

| Field                              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Copies</b>                      | <p>NetBackup can create up to four copies of a backup simultaneously. The storage units must be on the same media server and there must be sufficient resources available for each copy.</p> <p>The maximum is four, or the number of the copies that are specified by the <b>Maximum backup copies</b> Global Attributes host property, whichever is smaller. The <b>Maximum backup copies</b> property specifies the total number of backup copies that can exist in the NetBackup catalog (2 through 10).</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Global Attributes properties”</a> on page 145.</p>                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Priority of duplication job</b> | <p>Indicate the priority that the duplication job (based on this schedule) has over other jobs in the queue (0 to 99999).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Primary copy</b>                | <p>Copy 1 is the primary copy. If Copy 1 fails for some reason, the first successful copy is the primary copy.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Promoting a copy to a primary copy”</a> on page 852.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Storage unit</b>                | <p>Specify the storage unit where each copy is to be stored. If a Media Manager storage unit has multiple drives, you can use it for both the source and the destination. To let NetBackup decide at runtime, select <b>Any Available</b>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Volume pool</b>                 | <p>Indicate where each copy is to be stored.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Retention schedule</b>          | <p>Specify how long NetBackup retains the backups.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Retention (schedule attribute)”</a> on page 682.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>If this copy fails</b>          | <p>In the event that the copy does not complete, select whether you want the entire job to fail (<b>fail all copies</b>), or whether you want the remaining copies to continue.</p> <p>Regardless of how the fail or continue flag is set, all the copy jobs wait in the queue until resources are available for all copies. The first job does not start until the copies have resources.</p> <p>If a copy is configured to allow other copies to continue the job if the copy fails, and if <b>Checkpoint restart for backup jobs</b> is selected for this policy, only the last failed copy that contains a checkpoint can be resumed.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Take checkpoints every __ minutes (policy attribute)”</a> on page 620.</p> |

Table 15-34      Configure Multiple Copies dialog box (continued)

| Field       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Media owner | <p>Select who should own the media onto which NetBackup writes the images.</p> <p>The following options are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>Any</b><br/>Lets NetBackup select the media owner, either a media server or server group.</li><li>■ <b>None</b><br/>Specifies that the media server that writes to the media that owns the media. No media server is specified explicitly, but you want a media server to own the media.</li><li>■ <b>A server group</b><br/>Specify a media server group to allow only those media servers in the group to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written. All media server groups that are configured in the NetBackup environment appear in the drop-down list.<br/>See <a href="#">“Configuring a server group”</a> on page 310.</li></ul> |

## Configuring multiple copies in a policy schedule

To configure a policy schedule to create multiple copies, use the following procedure.

### To configure a schedule to create multiple copies

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Do one of the following:

To change an existing policy
  - Select the policy to change.
  - On the **Edit** menu, click **Change**.

To create a new policy
  - On the **Actions** menu, click **New > Policy**.
  - Name the policy, and click **OK**.
- 3 Select the **Schedules** tab.
- 4 Double-click an existing schedule or click **New** to create a new schedule.

- 5 In the dialog box that appears, click in the **Attributes** tab, select **Multiple copies**, then click **Configure**.

If the destination for this policy is a storage lifecycle policy, the **Multiple copies** box is unchecked. NetBackup does not allow the two methods for creating multiple copies to be enabled at the same time.

See [“Policy storage \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 615.

See [“About writing multiple copies using a storage lifecycle policy”](#) on page 578.

- 6 In the **Copies** field, specify the number of copies to be created simultaneously. The number must be between 1 and 4.

The maximum is four, or the number of copies that the **Maximum backup copies** setting specifies, whichever is fewer. You can find this host property in **Global Attributes** properties.

See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

**Copy 1** is the primary copy. If **Copy 1** fails, the first successful copy is the primary copy.

Usually, NetBackup restores from the primary copy of an image. However, it is possible to restore from a specific backup copy other than the primary copy. To do so, use the `bprestore` command.

To create more than four copies, create additional copies at a later time by using duplication.

See [“Configure Multiple Copies dialog box”](#) on page 676.

See [“About configuring for multiple copies”](#) on page 676.

- 7 In the **Priority of duplication** field, specify the priority of the duplication job in comparison to the other jobs in the queue (0 to 99999).

- 8 Specify the storage unit where each copy is stored. Select **Any Available** to allow NetBackup to select the storage unit at runtime.

If a Media Manager storage unit contains multiple drives, the storage unit can be used for both the original image and the copies.

- 9 Specify the volume pool where each copy is stored.

- 10 Select the retention level for each copy.

See [“Retention \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 682.

11 Select one of the following from the **If this copy fails** list:

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>continue</b>        | Continues making the remaining copies.<br><br><b>Note:</b> If <b>Take checkpoints every __ minutes</b> is selected for this policy, only the last failed copy that contains a checkpoint can be resumed.<br><br>See <a href="#">“Take checkpoints every __ minutes (policy attribute)”</a> on page 620. |
| <b>fail all copies</b> | Fails the entire job.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

12 For tape media, specify who should own the media onto which NetBackup writes the images:

|                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Any</b>     | NetBackup selects the media owner, either a media server or server group.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>None</b>    | Specifies that the media server that writes to the media owns the media. No media server is specified explicitly, but you want a media server to own the media.                                                                                             |
| A server group | Specifies that a media server group allows only those media servers in the group to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written. All the media server groups that are configured in the NetBackup environment appear in the list. |

These settings do not affect images residing on disk. One media server does not own the images that reside on shared disks. Any media server with access to the shared pool of disk can access the images.

13 Click **OK** until the policy is saved.

Override policy storage (schedule attribute)

The **Override policy storage selection** attribute works as follows:

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Disabled | Instructs the schedule to use the <b>Policy storage</b> as specified on the policy <b>Attributes</b> tab.                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Enabled  | <p>Instructs the schedule to override the <b>Policy storage</b> as specified on the policy <b>Attributes</b> tab.</p> <p>Select the storage from the list of previously configured storage units and storage lifecycle policies. If the list is empty, no storage has been configured.</p> |

See [“Policy storage \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 615.

If a data classification is indicated for the policy, only those storage lifecycles with the same data classification appear in the list.

See [“Data classifications \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 615.

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**Note:** Storage lifecycle policies cannot be selected within the **Configure Multiple Copies** dialog box.

See [“About configuring for multiple copies”](#) on page 676.

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## Override policy volume pool (schedule attribute)

The **Override policy volume pool** attribute works as follows:

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Disabled | Instructs the schedule to override the volume pool that is specified as the <b>Policy volume pool</b> on the policy <b>Attribute</b> tab. If no policy volume pool is specified, NetBackup uses NetBackup as the default. If the policy is for a NetBackup catalog, NBU-Catalog policies use <b>CatalogBackup</b> . |
| Enabled  | Instructs the schedule to override the volume pool that is specified as the <b>Policy volume pool</b> on the policy <b>Attribute</b> tab. Select the volume pool from the list of previously configured volume pools.                                                                                               |

See [“Policy volume pool \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 618.

## Override media owner (schedule attribute)

The **Override media owner** attribute applies only to tape media. It specifies whether to use the policy media owner or another owner for the schedule. The rules for shared disk media are more flexible so override settings are not needed for disk media.

The attribute works as follows:

|          |                                                                                                                               |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Disabled | Instructs the schedule to use the media owner that is specified as the <b>Media Owner</b> in the policy <b>Attribute</b> tab. |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

|         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Enabled | <p>Instructs the schedule to override the media owner that is specified as the <b>Media Owner</b> in the policy <b>Attribute</b> tab.</p> <p>Select the new media owner from the list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Any.</b><br/>NetBackup selects the media owner, either a media server or server group</li> <li>■ <b>None</b><br/>Specifies that the media server that writes to the media owns the media. No media server is specified explicitly, but you want a media server to own the media.</li> <li>■ <b>A server group</b><br/>Specifies that a media server group allows only those media servers in the group to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written. All media server groups that are configured in the NetBackup environment appear in the list.</li> </ul> |
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See [“Media Owner \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 626.

## Retention (schedule attribute)

The **Retention** attribute specifies how long NetBackup retains the backups. To set the retention period, select a time period (or level) from the list. When the retention period expires, NetBackup deletes information about the expired backup. After the backup expires, the files in the backup are unavailable for restores. For example, if the retention is two weeks, data can be restored from a backup that this schedule performs for only two weeks after the backup.

If a policy is configured to back up to a storage lifecycle policy, the **Retention** attribute in the schedule is ignored. The retention period that the lifecycle indicates is followed instead.

See [“Adding a storage operation to a storage lifecycle policy”](#) on page 550.

### About assigning retention periods

The retention period for data depends on the likelihood of restoring information from media after a certain period of time. Some types of data (financial records, for example) have legal requirements that determine the retention level. Other data (preliminary documents, for example) can probably be expired when the final version is complete.

A backup’s retention also depends on what needs to be recovered from the backup. For example, if day-to-day changes are critical, keep all the incremental backups in addition to the full backups for as long as the data is needed. If incremental

backups only track work in progress toward monthly reports, expire the incremental backups sooner. Rely on the full backups for long-term recovery.

Establish some guidelines that apply to most of the data to determine retention periods. Note the files or the directories that have retention requirements outside of these guidelines. Plan to create separate policies for the data that falls outside of the retention requirement guidelines. For example, place the files and directories with longer retention requirements in a separate policy. Schedule longer retention times for the separate policies without keeping all policies for the longer retention period.

The following table describes recommended retention periods for different types of backups.

**Table 15-35** Recommended retention periods for different types of backups

| Type of backup                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Full Backup                     | Specify a time period that is longer than the frequency setting for the schedule. (The frequency is how often the backup runs). For example, if the frequency is one week, specify a retention period of two to four weeks. Two to four weeks provides enough of a margin to ensure that the current full backup does not expire before the next full backup occurs.                                                                                                                    |
| Differential Incremental Backup | Specify a time period that is longer than the period between full backups. For example, if full backups occur weekly, save the incremental backups for two weeks.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Cumulative Incremental Backup   | Specify a time period that is longer than the frequency setting for the schedule. (The frequency is how often the backup runs). For example, if the frequency setting is one day, specify a retention period of one week. One week provides enough of a margin to ensure that the current cumulative-incremental backup does not expire before the next successful one occurs. A complete restore requires the previous full backup plus the most recent cumulative-incremental backup. |

The following table suggests several ways that you can prevent backups from expiring earlier than desired.

**Table 15-36**      Suggestions for preventing prematurely expired backups

| Item                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Retention period                     | <p>Assign an adequate retention period. NetBackup does not track backups after the retention period expires. Recovering files is difficult or impossible after the retention period expires.</p> <p>For the backups that must be kept for more than one year, set the retention period to infinite.</p>       |
| Full backups and incremental backups | <p>Assign a longer retention period to full backups than to incremental backups within a policy. A complete restore requires the previous full backup plus all subsequent incremental backups. It may not be possible to restore all the files if the full backup expires before the incremental backups.</p> |
| Archive schedules                    | <p>Set the retention period to infinite.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Tape                                 | <p>Set the retention period to infinite. If infinite is unacceptable because of NetBackup database space limitations, set the retention period to match the length of time that the data is to be retained.</p>                                                                                               |

Another consideration for data retention is off-site storage of the backup media. Off-site storage protects against the disasters that may occur at the primary site. Consider the following off-site storage methods as precautions for disaster recovery:

- Use the duplication feature to make a second copy for off-site storage.
- Send monthly or weekly full backups to an off-site storage facility.  
To restore the data, request the media from the facility. To restore a total directory or disk with incremental backups requires the last full backup plus all incremental backups.
- Configure an extra set of schedules to create the backups to use as duplicates for off-site storage.

Regardless of the method that is used for off-site storage, ensure that adequate retention periods are configured. Use the NetBackup import feature to retrieve expired backups.

By default, NetBackup stores each backup on a tape volume that contains existing backups at the same retention level. If a backup has a retention level of 2, NetBackup stores it on a tape volume with other backups at retention level 2. When NetBackup encounters a backup with a different retention level, it switches



to an appropriate volume. Because tape volumes remain assigned to NetBackup until all the backups on the tape expire, this approach results in more efficient use of media. One small backup with an infinite retention prevents a volume from being reused, even if all other backups on the volume expired.

To mix retention levels on volumes, select **Allow multiple retentions per media** in the **Media** host properties.

If you keep only one retention level on each volume, do not use any more retention levels than necessary. Multiple retention levels increase the number of required volumes.

See [“Media properties”](#) on page 165.

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**Note:** Retention levels can be mixed on disk volumes with no restrictions.

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See [“Changing a retention period”](#) on page 204.

## Media multiplexing (schedule attribute)

The **Media multiplexing** attribute specifies the maximum number of jobs from the schedule that NetBackup can multiplex onto any one drive. Multiplexing sends concurrent backup jobs from one or several clients to a single drive and multiplexes the backups onto the media.

Specify a number from 1 through 32, where 1 specifies no multiplexing. Any changes take effect the next time a schedule runs.

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**Note:** Some policy types and some schedule types do not support media multiplexing. The option cannot be selected in those instances.

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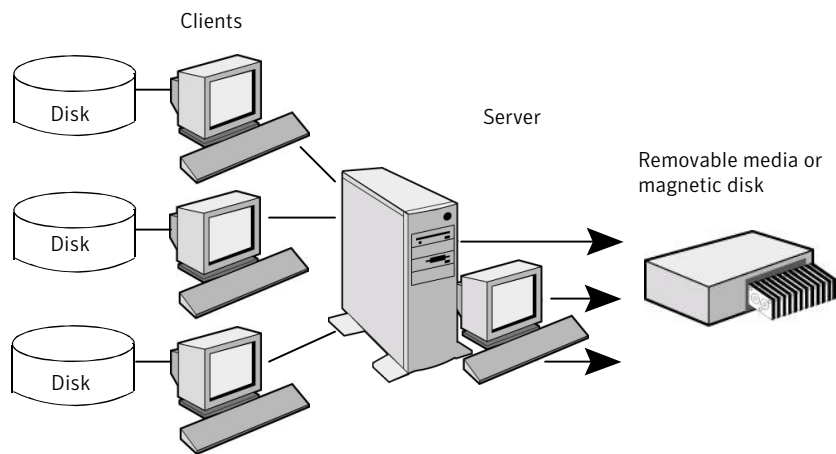
To configure multiplexed backups, multiplexing must be indicated in both the storage unit (**Maximum Streams Per Drive** setting) and the schedule (**Media Multiplexing** setting) configuration. Regardless of the **Media multiplexing** setting, the maximum jobs that NetBackup starts never exceeds the **Maximum Streams Per Drive** value for the storage unit.

### About multiplexing

NetBackup multiplexing sends concurrent backups from one or several clients to a single storage device. NetBackup multiplexes the backups sequentially onto the media. Multiplexed and unmultiplexed backups can reside on the same volume. Separate volume pools or media IDs are not necessary.

[Figure 15-12](#) shows the multiplexed flow of client data to a server.

Figure 15-12      Multiplexed backups



Multiplexing is generally used to reduce the amount of time that is required to complete backups. The following table describes circumstances where performance improves by using multiplexing:

Table 15-37      Circumstances where performance improves by using multiplexing

| Item                                                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Slow clients                                          | Instances in which NetBackup uses software compression, which normally reduces client performance, are also improved.                                                                    |
| Multiple slow networks                                | The parallel data streams take advantage of whatever network capacity is available.                                                                                                      |
| Many short backups (for example, incremental backups) | In addition to providing parallel data streams, multiplexing reduces the time each job waits for a device to become available. Therefore, the storage device transfer rate is maximized. |

No special action is required to restore a multiplexed backup. NetBackup finds the media and restores the requested backup. Multiplexing reduces performance on restores because it uses extra time to read the images.

To reduce the effect of multiplexing on restore times, set the storage unit maximum fragment size to a value smaller than the largest allowed value. Also, enable fast-tape positioning (locate block), if it applies to the tape drives in use.

Consider the following configuration settings when using multiplexing.

Table 15-38 Properties and attributes that affect multiplexing

| Item                                               | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Where to find it                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Limit jobs per policy</b><br>(policy attribute) | Limits the number of jobs that NetBackup performs concurrently when a policy is run. Set this attribute high enough to support the specified level of multiplexing.<br><br>See <a href="#">“Limit jobs per policy (policy attribute)”</a> on page 624. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ In the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Policies</b>.</li><li>■ In the middle pane, double-click the <b>Attributes</b> node of a policy.<br/>Or, create a new policy and select the <b>Attributes</b> tab.</li></ul> |

**Table 15-38** Properties and attributes that affect multiplexing (*continued*)

| Item                                           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Where to find it                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Maximum jobs per client</b> (host property) | <p>Limits the number of backup jobs that can run concurrently on any NetBackup client. This property is part of <b>Global Attributes</b> host properties.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Global Attributes properties”</a> on page 145.</p> <p>Usually, the client setting does not affect multiplexing. However, consider a case where jobs from different schedules on the same client go to the same storage unit. In this case, the maximum number of jobs that are permitted on the client is reached before the multiplexing limit is reached for the storage unit. When the maximum number of jobs on the client is reached, NetBackup cannot use the storage unit’s full multiplexing capabilities.</p> <p>Select a value that is based on the ability of the central processing unit to handle parallel jobs. Because extra buffers are required, memory is also important. If the server cannot perform other tasks or runs out of memory or processes, reduce the <b>Maximum streams per drive</b> setting for the storage unit.</p> <p>To estimate the potential load that multiplexing can place on the central processing unit, consider the following limits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The maximum concurrent jobs that NetBackup can attempt equals the sum of the concurrent backup jobs that can run on all storage units.</li> <li>■ The maximum concurrent jobs that can run on a storage unit equals the value of <b>Maximum streams per drive</b>, multiplied by the number of drives.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“Maximum streams per drive storage unit setting”</a> on page 503.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Master Servers</b>.</li> <li>■ In the right pane, double-click a master server.</li> <li>■ In the <b>Master Server Properties</b> dialog box, select <b>Global Attributes</b> from the left pane.</li> <li>■ The property appears in the right pane.</li> </ul> |

**Table 15-38** Properties and attributes that affect multiplexing (*continued*)

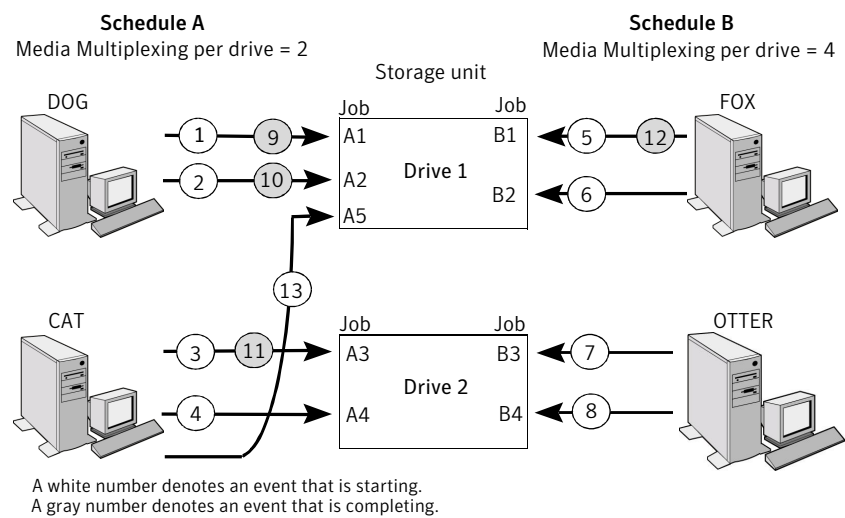
| Item                                                    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Where to find it                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Maximum data streams</b> (host property)             | <p>Set the maximum number of jobs that are allowed on a specific client without affecting other clients. This property is part of <b>Client Attributes</b> host properties.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">General tab of the Client Attributes properties</a>” on page 89.</p>                                                                                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Master Servers</b>.</li> <li>■ In the right pane, double-click a master server.</li> <li>■ In the <b>Master Server Properties</b> dialog box, select <b>Client Attributes</b> from the left pane.</li> <li>■ The property appears in the right pane on the <b>General</b> tab.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Delay on multiplexed restores</b> (host property)    | <p>Specifies how long the server waits for additional restore requests of files and raw partitions in a set of multiplexed images on the same tape. This property is part of <b>General Server</b> host properties.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">General tab of the Client Attributes properties</a>” on page 89.</p>                                                                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Host Properties &gt; Master Servers</b>.</li> <li>■ In the right pane, double-click a master server.</li> <li>■ In the <b>Master Server Properties</b> dialog box, select <b>General Server</b> from the left pane.</li> <li>■ The property appears in the right pane.</li> </ul>                              |
| <b>Media Multiplexing</b> (policy schedule attribute)   | <p>If the limit is reached for a drive, NetBackup sends jobs to other drives.</p> <p>When NetBackup multiplexes jobs, it continues to add jobs to a drive until the number of jobs on the drive matches the <b>Media Multiplexing</b> limit or the <b>Maximum streams per drive</b> limit.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Media multiplexing (schedule attribute)</a>” on page 685.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Policies</b>.</li> <li>■ In the middle pane, double-click the <b>Schedules</b> node of a policy.<br/>Or, create a new policy and select the <b>Schedules</b> tab.</li> <li>■ Click <b>New</b> to create a new schedule and configure the <b>Media Multiplexing</b> option.</li> </ul>                          |
| <b>Maximum streams per drive</b> (storage unit setting) | <p>NetBackup can add jobs from more than one schedule to a drive.</p> <p>When NetBackup multiplexes jobs, it continues to add jobs to a drive until the number of jobs on the drive matches the <b>Maximum streams per drive</b> limit or the <b>Media Multiplexing</b> limit</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Maximum streams per drive storage unit setting</a>” on page 503.</p>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ In the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>, expand <b>NetBackup Management &gt; Storage</b>.</li> <li>■ In the left pane, click <b>Storage Units</b>.</li> <li>■ In the right pane, double-click a storage unit name.<br/>Or, create a new storage unit.</li> <li>■ The setting appears on the dialog box that appears.</li> </ul>                                                             |

See “[MPX\\_RESTORE\\_DELAY bp.conf entry for UNIX servers](#)” on page 261.

Example of using multiplexing with schedules

Figure 15-13 provides an example of how schedules are affected when multiplexing is active.

Figure 15-13      Multiplexing process scenario



Assume the following about Figure 15-13.

- Schedule A begins first.  
Schedules can be in the same or in different policies.
- **Allow Multiple Data Streams** is enabled.  
Consequently, a client can have multiple data streams.  
See “[Allow multiple data streams \(policy attribute\)](#)” on page 640.

Table 15-39      Description of the multiplexing process scenario

| Event   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 and 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Jobs A1 and A2 from client <i>DOG</i> start on Drive 1.</li><li>■ For Schedule A, the <b>Media Multiplexing</b> limit of 2 is reached for Drive 1.</li></ul> |
| 3 and 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Jobs A3 and A4 from client <i>CAT</i> start on Drive 2.</li><li>■ For Schedule A, the <b>Media Multiplexing</b> limit of 2 is reached for Drive 2.</li></ul> |

**Table 15-39** Description of the multiplexing process scenario (*continued*)

| Event     | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 5 and 6   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Jobs B1 and B2 for client <i>FOX</i> start on Drive 1.</li> <li>■ The <b>Maximum streams per drive</b> storage unit setting is reached for Drive 1.</li> </ul>                                                                                                             |
| 7 and 8   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Jobs B3 and B4 from client <i>OTTER</i> start on Drive 2.</li> <li>■ All jobs are now running for Schedule B.</li> <li>■ The <b>Maximum streams per drive</b> storage unit setting is reached for Drive 2.</li> </ul>                                                      |
| 9 and 10  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Jobs A1 and A2 from client <i>DOG</i> finish on Drive 1.</li> <li>■ However, jobs B1 and B2 for client <i>FOX</i> continue to run.</li> <li>■ For Schedule A, the <b>Media Multiplexing</b> limit of 2 prevents job A5 from starting on Drive 1</li> </ul>                 |
| 11 and 12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Job A3 from client <i>CAT</i> finishes on Drive 2</li> <li>■ Job B1 from client <i>FOX</i> finishes on Drive 1.</li> <li>■ Job B2 is the only job currently running on Drive 1.</li> </ul>                                                                                 |
| 13        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Job A5 from client <i>CAT</i> starts on Drive 1.</li> <li>■ JobA5 is the last job for Schedule A.</li> <li>■ For Schedule A, the <b>Media Multiplexing</b> limit of 2 prevents job A5 from starting on Drive 2.</li> <li>■ Therefore, job A5 starts on Drive 1.</li> </ul> |

NetBackup attempts to add multiplexed jobs to drives that already use multiplexing. If multiplexed jobs are confined to specific drives, other drives are available for non-multiplexed jobs.

If the backup window closes before NetBackup can start all the jobs in a multiplexing set, NetBackup completes only the jobs that have started.

For example, [Figure 15-13](#) assumes that the **Activity Monitor** shows jobs A1 through A5 as queued and active.

If only jobs A1 and A2 start before the window closes, NetBackup does not perform the other jobs that are in the set. If the window closes before any jobs start, then only the first queued and active job starts and completes. Job A1 in this example.

See “[MPX\\_RESTORE\\_DELAY bp.conf entry for UNIX servers](#)” on page 261.

## About demultiplexing

Demultiplexing speeds up future restores and is useful for creating a copy for off-site storage. Use the duplication process in the **Catalog** utility to demultiplex a backup.

Duplication allows one multiplexed backup at one time to be copied from the source media to the target media. When duplication is complete, the target contains a single demultiplexed copy of each duplicated backup. (The target can also contain other backups.) The duplicate copy can be made into the primary copy. Do not select **Preserve Multiplexing** in the **Configure Multiple Copies** dialog box when backups are duplicated.

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**Note:** If you use the `bpduplicate` command instead of the **NetBackup Administration Console**, do not include the `-mpx` option on that command.

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See [“Duplicating backup images”](#) on page 854.

## Start Window tab

The **Start Window** tab provides controls for setting time periods during which NetBackup can start backups, archives, or basic disk staging relocation when using a schedule. Time periods are referred to as time windows. Configure time windows so that they satisfy the requirements necessary to complete a task or job.

For example, create different time windows:

- One for the backups that open each day for a specific amount of time
- Another for the backups that keep the window open all week

## Adding, changing, or deleting a time window in a schedule

Use the following procedure to add, change, or delete a time window.

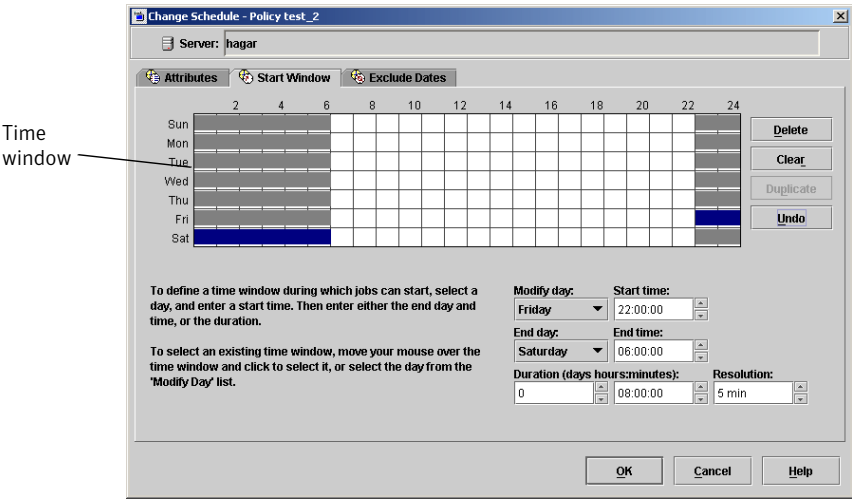
### To add or change a time window

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Expand the policy name in the middle pane, then select **Schedules**.
- 3 Do one of the following:



- To add a time window
- Click **Actions > New > Schedule**.
  - In the **Add Schedule** dialog box, type the name of a schedule.
- To change a time window
- In the right pane, double-click the schedule you want to change. The **Change Schedule** dialog box appears.

- 4 Click the **Start Window** tab.
- 5 To change the increments available for selecting start times or end times, change the value in the **Resolution** field. You can choose 5, 10, 15, or 30 minutes. For example, a resolution of 10 minutes allows time window adjustments by 10-minute increments.
- 6 To indicate the opening of the time window, do the following:
  - On the **Modify day** list, select the first day that the window opens.
  - In the **Start time** field, select the time that the window opens.



- 7 To indicate the closing of the time window, do one of the following:
- Enter the duration of the time window
- Enter a length of time in the **Duration (days, hours, minutes)** fields.
- Indicate the end of the time window
- Select a day in the **End day** list.
  - Select a time in the **End time** field.

Time windows show as bars in the schedule display.

Specify enough time to allow all clients in the policy to complete a backup.

Consider allowing extra time in the schedule in case the schedule starts late due to factors outside of NetBackup. (Delays due to unavailable devices, for example.) Otherwise, all backups may not have a chance to start.

8 As necessary, do any of the following:

- Click **Delete**.Deletes the selected time window.
- Click **Clear**.Deletes all time windows from the schedule display.
- Click **Duplicate**.Replicates the time window for the entire week.
- Click **Undo**.Erases the last action.

9 Do one of the following:

- Click **Add**.To save the time window and leave the dialog box open.
- Click **OK**.To save the time window and close the dialog box.

## Example of schedule duration

Figure 15-14 illustrates the effect of schedule duration on two full backup schedules. The start time for Schedule B begins shortly after the end time for the previous Schedule A. Both schedules have three clients with backups due.

Figure 15-14 Duration example

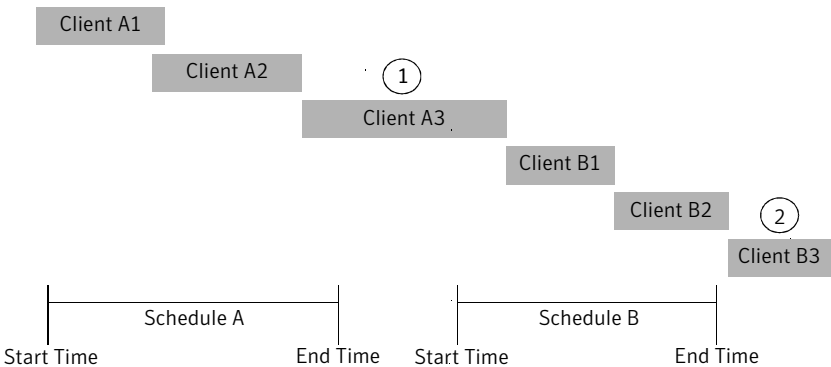


Figure 15-14 illustrates the following points:

- Point 1

Client A3 starts within the Schedule A time window but doesn't complete until after the Schedule B start time. However, Client A3 runs to completion even if the window closes while the backup is running. Client B1, on Schedule B, begins as soon as Client A3 completes.
- Point2

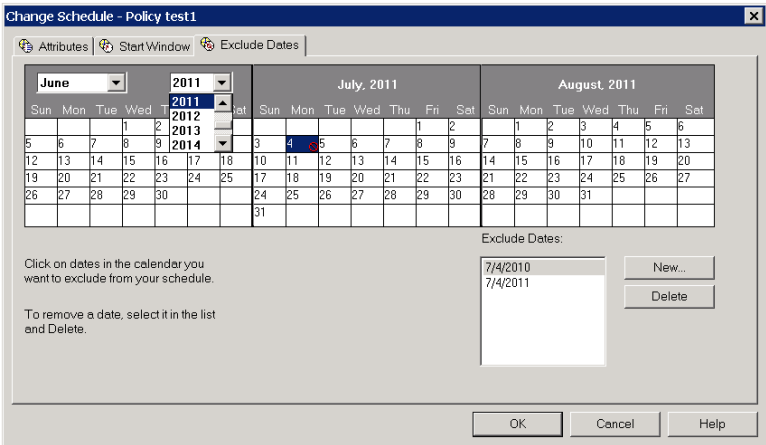
Schedule A does not leave enough time for all the clients on Schedule B to be backed up. Consequently, Client B3 is unable to start because the time window has closed. Client B3 must wait until the next time NetBackup runs Schedule B.

## Excluding dates from a policy schedule

Use the **Exclude Dates** tab to exclude specific dates from a schedule. If a date is excluded from a schedule, the policy does not run on that day. The tab displays a calendar of three consecutive months. Use the lists at the top of the calendar to change the first month or year displayed.

### To exclude a date from the policy schedule

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Expand the policy name in the middle pane, then select **Schedules**.
- 3 Select the schedule you want to modify, and click **Change**.
- 4 In the dialog box that appears, select the **Exclude Dates** tab.



- 5 Do one of the following:
  - Click the date on the calendar you want to exclude. Use the lists at the top of the calendar to change the first month or year displayed
  - Click **New**. Enter the month, day, and year in the **Date Entry** dialog box, and click **OK**.

The date appears in the **Exclude Dates** list.
- 6 Add additional dates as necessary, then click **OK** to save the changes.

## Calendar Schedule tab

The **Calendar Schedule** tab appears in the **Add New Schedule** or **Change Schedule** dialog box. For the tab to display, you must select the **Calendar** option as the **Schedule type** on the **Attributes** tab. Calendar-based schedules provide several run day options for determining when a task runs.

The tab displays a calendar of three consecutive months. Use the lists at the top of the calendar to change the first month or year displayed.

## Scheduling by specific dates

A task can run on specific dates rather than follow a recurring schedule, and specific dates can be added to a recurring schedule. Use the **Specific dates** run day option to schedule specific dates for a task to run.

### To schedule a task on specific dates

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Expand the policy name in the middle pane, then select **Schedules**.
- 3 Select the schedule you want to modify, and click **Change**.
- 4 In the dialog box that appears, select the **Calendar** schedule type.
- 5 Select the **Calendar Schedule** tab that appears.
- 6 In the **Edit Calendar schedule by** list, select **Specific Dates** and do one of the following:
  - Click a date in the calendar.
  - Click **New**. Enter the month, day, and year in the **Date Entry** dialog box. Click **OK**.

The date appears in the **Specific Dates** list.

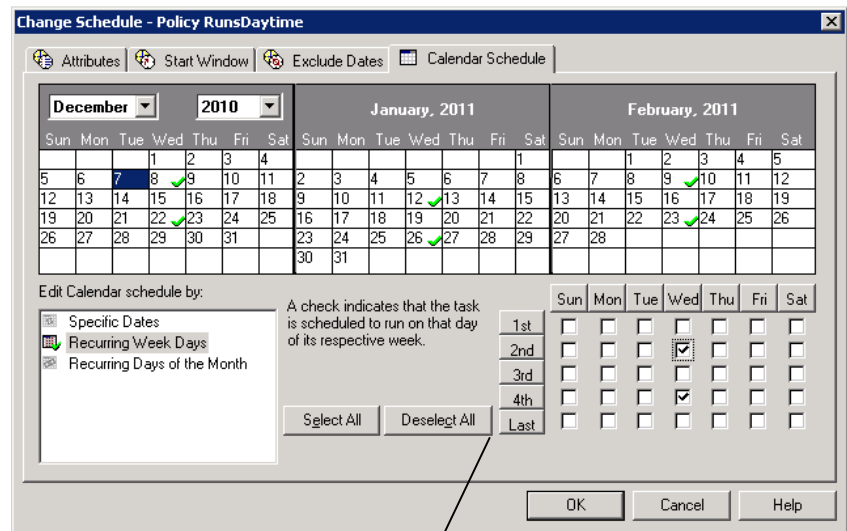
- 7 Add additional dates as necessary, then click **OK** to save the changes.

## Scheduling by recurring days of the week

The **Recurring Week Days** option presents a matrix of days and weeks to schedule a task. The matrix is not a calendar. A check mark on a day indicates that the task is scheduled to run on the day of that week for each month in the future.

For example, schedule a task to run on the first and the third Thursday of every month. Or, schedule a task to run the last week in every month.

**Figure 15-15** Recurring week days setting on the Calendar Schedule tab



Matrix

### To schedule a recurring weekly task

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Expand the policy name in the middle pane, then select **Schedules**.
- 3 Select the schedule you want to modify, and click **Change**.
- 4 In the dialog box that appears, select the **Calendar** schedule type.
- 5 Select the **Calendar Schedule** tab that appears.
- 6 In the **Edit Calendar schedule by** list, select **Recurring Week Days**.
- 7 Do any of the following:
  - Click **Clear All** to remove existing selections from the matrix.

- Click **Set All** to select all of the days in every month.
  - Check a box in the matrix to select the day.
  - Click the column header with the name of the day to select or clear the corresponding day for each week of the month.
  - Click a row number to select or clear the entire week.
  - Check the box for the appropriate day in the **Last** row to schedule a task for the last week of each month. The task is scheduled, regardless of the number of weeks in the month.
- 8 After the dates are selected, click **OK** to save the changes.

## Scheduling by recurring days of the month

The **Recurring Days of the Month** option presents a matrix to schedule a task for certain days of the month (1st through 31st). In addition, a task can be scheduled for the last day of the month, regardless of the actual date.

### To schedule a recurring monthly task

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Expand the policy name in the middle pane, then select **Schedules**.
- 3 Select the schedule you want to modify, and click **Change**.
- 4 In the dialog box that appears, select the **Calendar** schedule type.
- 5 Select the **Calendar Schedule** tab that appears.
- 6 In the **Edit Calendar schedule by** list, select **Recurring Days of the Month**.
- 7 Do any of the following:
  - Click **Clear All** to remove existing selections from the matrix.
  - Click **Set All** to select all of the days in every month.
  - Click the number for each day to be included in the run schedule. Click the number again to deselect the day.
  - Check **Last Day** to run the schedule on the last day of the month, regardless of the date.
- 8 After the dates are selected, click **OK** to save the changes.

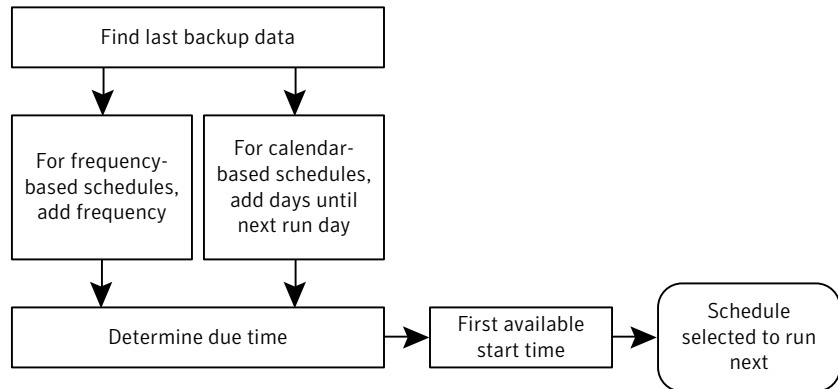
# How NetBackup determines which schedule to run next

When a policy contains one schedule, the schedule that is selected to run next is straightforward. But when a policy contains multiple schedules, choosing which schedule to run next can become more complicated.

NetBackup performs the following tasks to determine which schedule to run next:

- NetBackup determines the due time for each schedule. The due time depends on the following:
  - The last backup data for each schedule based on comparable schedules.
  - The frequency that is added to each schedule to determine which schedule is due next.
- NetBackup checks the start time for each schedule. The schedule with the soonest start time runs next. That is, the schedule with the next open window.

**Figure 15-16** Schedule selection overview



When any of the following events occurs, NetBackup recalculates which schedule to run next in a policy:

- A backup job finishes.
- A client backup image expires.
- The Policy Execution Manager (*nbpem*) starts.
- The administrator changes the policy.

NetBackup looks for updated policies every 10 minutes. If the policy has recently been updated, NetBackup waits an additional minute to be sure that changes are not currently underway. You can change the frequency that

NetBackup looks for updates by changing the **Policy Update Interval** in the **Global Attributes** host properties.

See “[Global Attributes properties](#)” on page 145.

The due time for each schedule equals the last backup data for the schedule, plus the schedule’s frequency:

*Due time = Last backup data + Frequency*

*Last backup data* refers to the schedule that ran most recently among comparable schedules. NetBackup uses the date and time of that schedule to determine the due time for all the schedules that use that schedule as the last backup data.

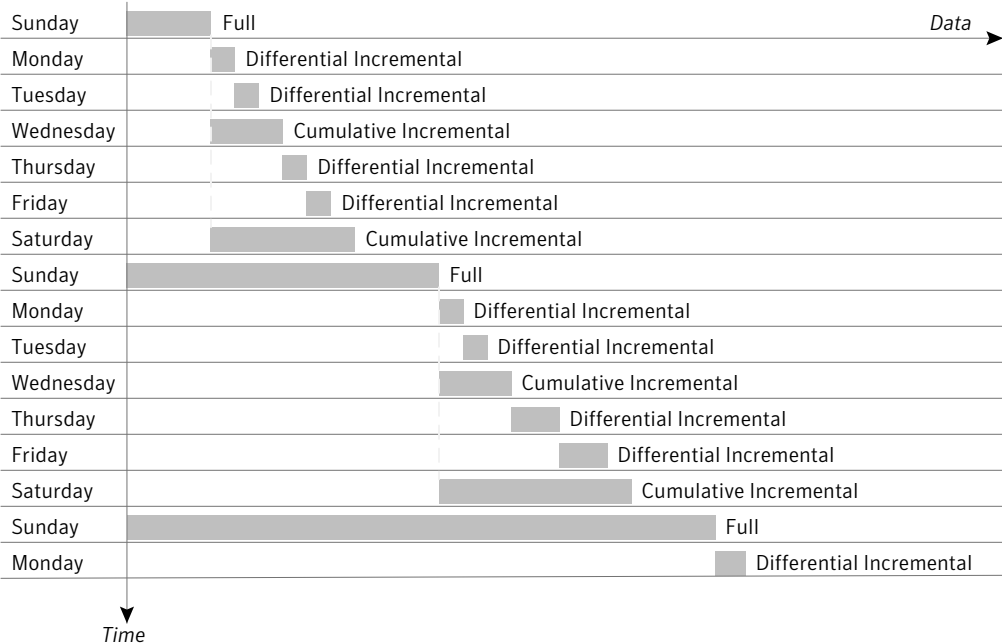
In some cases, the last backup data for a schedule names the schedule itself. In other cases, the last backup data for a schedule is another comparable schedule. NetBackup makes the following comparisons to identify a comparable schedule:

|                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Full schedules                     | Compared to other full schedules of the same or longer frequency.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Cumulative incremental schedules   | <div>Compared to the following:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Full schedules of the same or longer frequency.</li><li>■ Other cumulative incremental schedules of the same or longer frequency.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Differential incremental schedules | <div>Compared to the following:</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Full schedules of the same or longer frequency.</li><li>■ Cumulative incremental schedules of the same or longer frequency.</li><li>■ Other differential incremental schedules of the same or longer frequency.</li></ul> <div><b>Note:</b> To have a longer frequency means that the schedule is configured to run less often.</div> |

The comparison rules ensure that no schedule is overlooked for consideration, potentially causing a gap in backup coverage.



Figure 15-17 Schedule coverage



The following jobs create additional complexities in scheduling:

- Multistreaming jobs

Each stream is scheduled independently. The data may change in the time between the streamed backups. Two restores that are based on the same backup may not be identical if created from different streams.
- Synthetic backup jobs

NetBackup uses the previous synthetic job as the basis for determining when the next synthetic job should run.

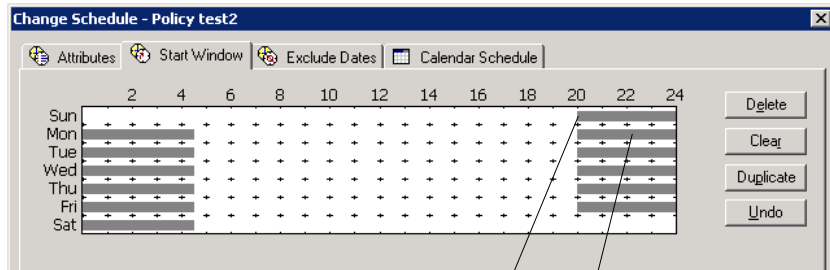
# About schedule windows that span midnight

A backup window may begin in one day and end in another. If this kind of policy is scheduled to run each day, NetBackup does not run the job again immediately after midnight. Instead, even though the window spans into another day, NetBackup considers it to be one window. NetBackup recognizes that the administrator’s intention is usually not to have a job run again so soon after the previous backup.

Figure 15-18 shows a window that spans midnight.

If a policy is scheduled to run each day, NetBackup looks to see if another window opens later in the day. If another window is set up to open later, NetBackup waits and runs the job then.

**Figure 15-18** Schedule that spans midnight



The first job begins Sunday.

The job is due Monday as well. Instead of running the job again immediately after midnight, NetBackup looks for a window later in the day and runs the job.

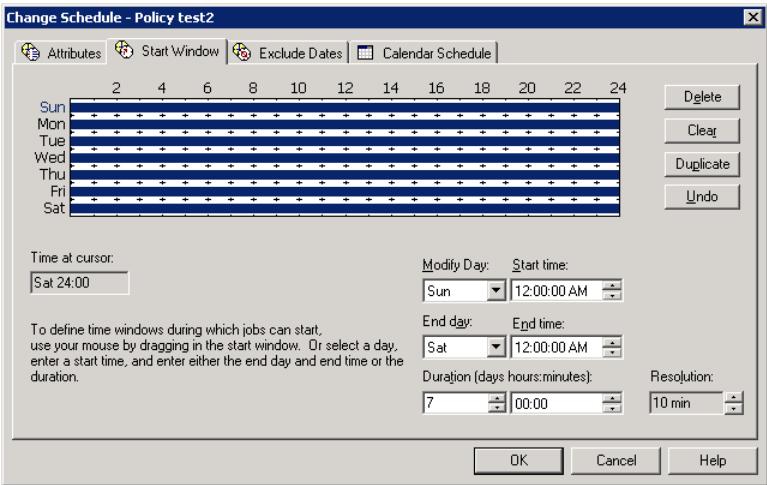
If no other window is scheduled to open later in the day, NetBackup does not wait. If the job has a daily frequency, the job runs again after midnight to meet the daily backup frequency requirement.

## How open schedules affect calendar-based and frequency-based schedules

A single backup window can span the entire week. This kind of schedule is called an open schedule because a job may run at any time of day or night during the week. Open schedules affect calendar-based and frequency-based schedules differently.

[Figure 15-19](#) shows an open schedule.

Figure 15-19      An open schedule



Open schedules affect calendar-based and frequency-based schedules differently:

- Calendar-based schedules
- Calendar-based schedules run whenever the calendar schedule indicates. NetBackup assumes that an environment requires one backup on each day that is selected on the calendar schedule. Given an open schedule, backups run as soon after midnight as possible to satisfy the daily backup requirement.
- Frequency-based schedules
- Frequency-based schedules run when the frequency setting indicates. For example, with a frequency of one day, NetBackup runs backups at 24-hour intervals based on the start time.

Figure 15-20 shows that the backups on a calendar-based schedule would run Monday through Friday.

**Figure 15-20** An open schedule that is calendar-based

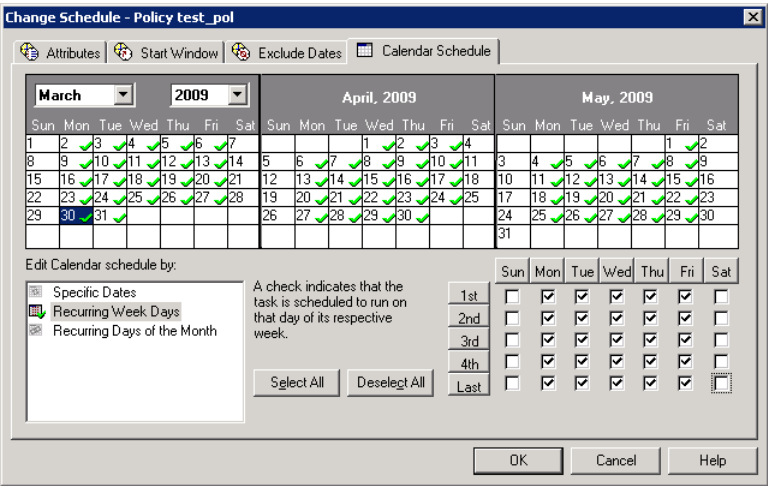
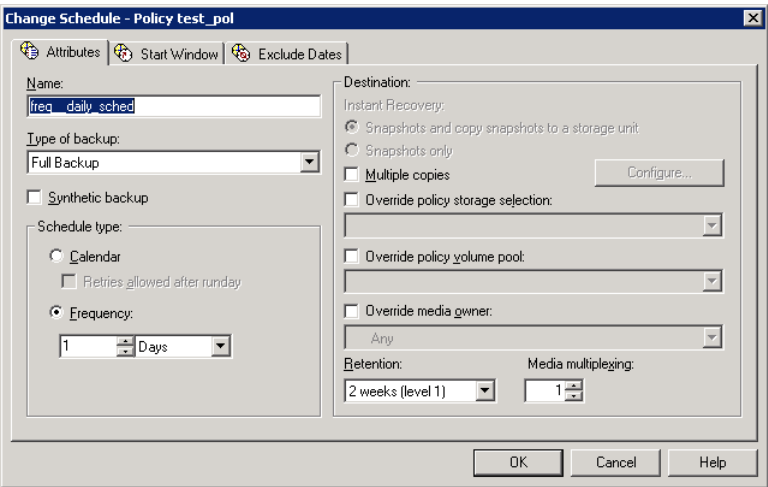


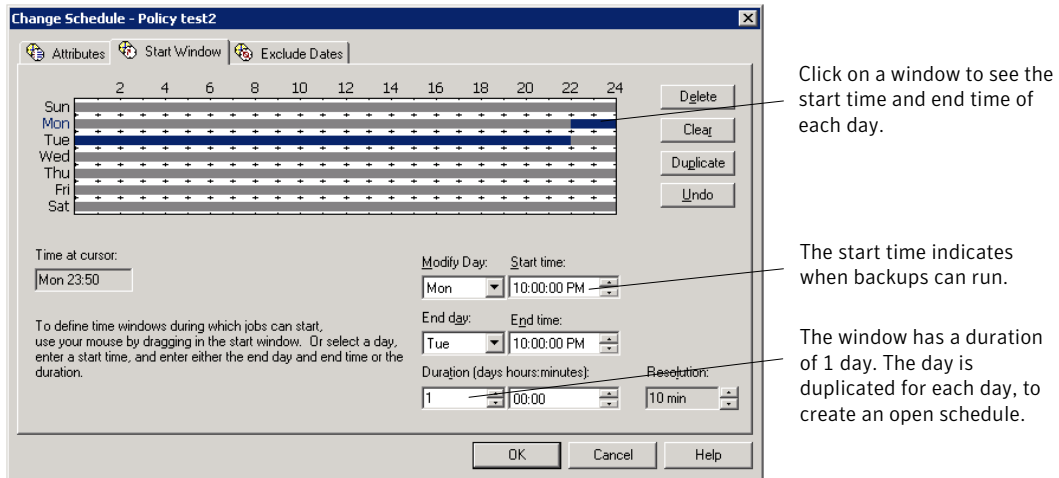
Figure 15-21 and Figure 15-22 show that the backups based on a frequency-based schedule should run every day of the week, including Saturday and Sunday.

**Figure 15-21** An open schedule that is frequency-based



In Figure 15-22, backups run at 10:00 P.M. nightly based on the start time.

**Figure 15-22** Example of a frequency-based schedule with an open schedule



## Creating an open schedule in the NetBackup Administration Console

The following procedure describes how to create an open schedule in an existing policy. In this procedure, the open schedule is configured to begin at 10:00 P.M.

### To create an open schedule in the NetBackup Administration Console

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 In the middle pane, double-click on the policy name where you want to create an open schedule.
- 3 Select the **Schedules** tab.
- 4 Click **Add** to create a new schedule.
- 5 Complete the information on the **Attributes** tab.
- 6 Select the **Start Window** tab.
- 7 Select Sunday as the **Modify Day** and **10:00:00 PM** as the **Start time**.
- 8 Select Monday as the **End Day** and **10:00:00 PM** as the **End time**. The **Duration** is then automatically set to one day.
- 9 Click **Duplicate** to copy this window to each day of the week.
- 10 Click **OK** to add the schedule to the policy.

## Runtime considerations that affect backup frequency

The following items may cause a NetBackup job to run more frequently than expected, or may prevent a job from meeting its backup frequency requirement.

Table 15-40 Items that can affect backup frequency

| Item                                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Changing a policy causes the policy to run | If the administrator changes or activates a policy, the change prompts NetBackup to run the job as soon as possible. It does not matter if the schedule is calendar-based or frequency-based.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Window availability                        | <p>Whether the schedule is calendar-based or frequency-based, a job cannot run if windows are not open on the configured rundays.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ For calendar-based schedules, windows must be open on the specific dates, recurring weekdays, or recurring days of the month that the calendar schedule indicates.</li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> A frequency is not configurable for a calendar-based schedule. For this schedule type, NetBackup assumes a daily backup frequency.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ For frequency-based schedules, a daily frequency requires that a window is open each day.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                      |
| Backup attempt limit                       | <p>A <b>Global Attribute</b> host property setting determines how many times a failed job can attempt to run. The <b>Schedule backup attempts</b> property includes the number of attempts and the time period in which the attempts can take place.</p> <p>By default, a failed job tries to run two times every 12 hours if an open window is available. Note that this setting supersedes any other frequency requirement and can cause a schedule to skip an open window.</p> <p>For example, if a job meets the maximum number of job attempts, NetBackup does not try to run the job again during the retry period indicated. It does not attempt, even in an open window and a daily backup frequency has not been met that day.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Global Attributes properties</a>” on page 145.</p> |

## About the Clients tab

The **Clients** tab contains a list of clients to be backed up (or acted upon) by the selected policy. A client must be included in the list of at least one backup policy to be backed up.

Placing a client in more than one backup policy can be useful. For example, place the client name in two policies to back up different sets of files on the client according to different policy rules.

The **Clients** tab does not appear for Vault or Catalog policy types.

You can also use the **Clients** tab to install NetBackup software on trusting UNIX clients.

## Adding or changing clients in a policy

A client must be included in the list of at least one active backup policy to be backed up. Use the following procedure to add, change, or delete clients in an existing NetBackup policy.

### To add, change, or delete a client in a policy

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Double-click the policy that you want to change.
- 3 Select the **Clients** tab, and do one of the following:

To add a new client      Click **New** and continue to step 5.

To change an existing client      ■ Select the client that you want to change, and click **Change**.  
                                                  ■ Continue to step 8

To delete a client      Select the client and click **Delete**.

- 4 Select **Enable Indexing for search** to enable indexing of the data that is backed up for the client..

The **Enable indexing for search** client attribute is available for the following policy types:

- **FlashBackup**
- **FlashBackup-Windows**
- **Hyper-V**
- **MS-Windows**
- **NDMP**
- **Standard**
- **VMware**

You must install the NetBackup Search licensed option before you can enable this attribute. For information about how to configure indexing for the NetBackup Search option, see the *NetBackup Search Administrator's Guide*.

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**Note:** You must also enable indexing on the **Attribute** tab and on the **Schedule** tab to ensure proper indexing functionality.

If you enable indexing with VMware and Hyper-V policy types, you must also select **Enable file recovery from VM backup** on the **VMware** or **Hyper-V** tab of the policy window.

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**5** In the **Client Name** field, type the name of the client.

Observe the following rules for assigning client names:

- Use a name by which the server knows the client (one that you can use on the server to `ping` or `telnet` to the client).
- If the client is in multiple policies, use the same name in each policy.
- If the network configuration has multiple domains, use a more qualified name. For example, use `client1.null.com` or `client1.null` rather than only `client1`.
- Add only clients with the hardware and the operating systems that this policy supports. For example, do not add a Novell NetWare client to an **MS-Windows** policy. If you add a client to more than one policy, designate the same hardware and operating system in each of the policies.  
If the hardware and the operating system you want is not in the list, associated client software is not installed on the server. Check the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/client` directory for the directories and software that corresponds to the client you want to install. If the directories or software are not there, rerun the installation script on the server and select the option to install client software. (See the NetBackup installation guide that came with your software.)
- Using a IPv6 address as a client name in a policy can cause backups to fail. Specify a hostname instead of an IPv6 address.

**6** Select the appropriate hardware and operating system in the list.

**7** Do one of the following:

- Click **Add** to add the client to the list, leaving the dialog box open to add another client.
- Click **OK** to add the client to the list and close the dialog box.
- Click **Close** to close the dialog box without adding a client.

**8** To change an existing client:

- Make changes to the client name in the **Client Name** field.



- To change the operating system of the client, select one from the **Hardware and operating system** list.
  - Click **OK** to accept the change and close the **Change Client** dialog box. Or, click **Cancel** to close the dialog box without saving the changes.
- 9 Click **Close** to close the policy.

## Installing client software on secure and trusting UNIX clients

A secure UNIX client is a client that does not contain an entry for the NetBackup master server in its `.rhosts` file. You can install software on a secure UNIX client locally by using the installation DVDs or by using a script.

By contrast, a trusting UNIX client contains an entry for the current master server in its `.rhosts` file. You can install client software on trusting UNIX clients from the policy **Clients** tab or from the **Actions** menu when the **Policies** utility is selected. To install NetBackup Windows client software, see the *NetBackup Installation Guide for Windows*.

Before you can install client software on trusting UNIX clients, the following prerequisites must be met:

- You can install the client software from the **NetBackup Administration Console** only from a UNIX NetBackup server. The server must be the server that was specified in the logon dialog box when the interface was started. This server must also be the master where you currently manage backup policies, and clients must be in a policy on this master.
- Each client that receives the software installation must contain an entry for the current master server in its `.rhosts` file. If these entries exist, the clients are referred to as trusting clients. The `.rhosts` entries for the master server are not required for correct operation of NetBackup. The entries can be removed after the client software is installed.

### To install client software on trusting UNIX clients

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.

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**Note:** If you want to install client software, you cannot click **File > Change Server** to get to another master server. The master server must be the server that you specified in the logon dialog box.

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- 2 Select the master server name at the top of the **All Policies** middle pane.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, click **Install UNIX Client Software**.

4 In the **Don't install these clients** box, select the clients in the list that you want to receive the software. Click **Add** to move the client names to the **Install these clients** box.

5 Click **Install Client Software** to start the installation.

Client software installation can take a minute or more per client. NetBackup writes messages in the **Progress** box as the installation proceeds. If the installation fails on a client, NetBackup notifies you but keeps the client in the policy. You cannot stop the installation once it starts.

During installation, NetBackup performs the following actions:

- Copies the client software.
  - Copies from the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/client` directory on the server.
  - Copies to the `/usr/opensv/netbackup` directory on the client.
- Adds the required entries to the client's `/etc/services` and `inetd.conf` files.

6 When the install is complete, click **Close**.

To install client software to a different location on the client:

- Create a directory where you want the software to reside.
- Create `/usr/opensv/netbackup` as a link to that directory before installing software.

## Browse for Hyper-V virtual machines

On the **Clients** tab, click **New** to enter or browse for virtual machines.

The following table describes the options that you can use to browse for Hyper-V virtual machines.

Table 15-41 Options to use to browse for Hyper-V virtual machines

| Option                | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Enter the VM hostname | <p>Enter the host name, display name, or GUID of the virtual machine. The format of the host name or display name depends on your system. It may be the fully qualified name or another name, depending on your network configuration and how the name is defined in the guest OS. If NetBackup cannot find the name or GUID you enter, the policy validation fails.</p> <p>Make sure the <b>Browse and select Virtual Machines</b> option is unchecked.</p> |

**Table 15-41** Options to use to browse for Hyper-V virtual machines (*continued*)

| Option                                    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Browse and select Virtual Machines</b> | <p>Click this option to discover Hyper-V servers or cluster nodes (shown in the left pane). You can select virtual machines from a list (in the right pane).</p> <p>The virtual machine names that are listed may be derived from a cache file. Use of the cache file is faster than rediscovering the virtual machines on the network if your site has a large number of virtual machines. If the virtual machine is turned off but was turned on when the cache file was last created, its name appears in the list.</p> <p>If the display name of the virtual machine was recently changed in the Hyper-V Manager, note: The virtual machine name that was used for the backup does not change.</p> <p>If NetBackup cannot obtain the IP address of the virtual machine, the IP address is displayed as NONE.</p> |
| <b>Last Update</b>                        | To update the cache file and re-display virtual machines, click the refresh icon to the right of the <b>Last Update</b> field. This field shows the date and time of the most recent cache file that contains the names of virtual machines.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

## Backup Selections tab

The **Backup Selections** tab lists the paths, directives, scripts, and the templates that specify which files and directories are backed up on each client. NetBackup uses the same backup selection list for all of the clients that are backed up according to the policy.

The policy type determines whether the backup selections list contains paths, directives, scripts, templates, or a combination. Paths identify the location of files. Directives are the predefined sets of instructions that NetBackup uses to perform specific actions. Administrators create scripts to define and control database backups. Scripts include instructions for how the client uses multiple streams. Templates are used exclusively for Oracle and DB2 database backups.

Every file on the list does not need to exist on all of the clients. NetBackup backs up the files that it finds that are on the backup selections list. However, each client must contain at least one of the files in the backup selections list, or the client backup fails with a status 71. (Use the Troubleshooter to find the description of a status code.)

See [“Running the Troubleshooter”](#) on page 51.

**Note:** Windows clients support only the asterisk (\*) and the question mark (?) as valid wildcards in the **Backup Selections** tab.

See [“Wildcard use in NetBackup”](#) on page 958.

The backup selections list does not apply to user backups or archives. For user backups and archives, users select the objects to back up before they start the operation.

A backup selection list may contain different information based on the policy type.

**Table 15-42** Items allowed in the Backup Selections list for specific policy types

| Policy type     | Items allowed         |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Standard        | Paths and directives  |
| Exchange        | Paths and directives  |
| Lotus Notes     | Paths and directives  |
| MS-SQL-Server,  | Scripts               |
| Informix-On-BAR | Scripts               |
| SAP             | Scripts               |
| Sybase          | Scripts               |
| Oracle          | Scripts and templates |
| DB2             | Scripts and templates |
| Vault           | Vault commands        |

See [“Policy type \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 611.

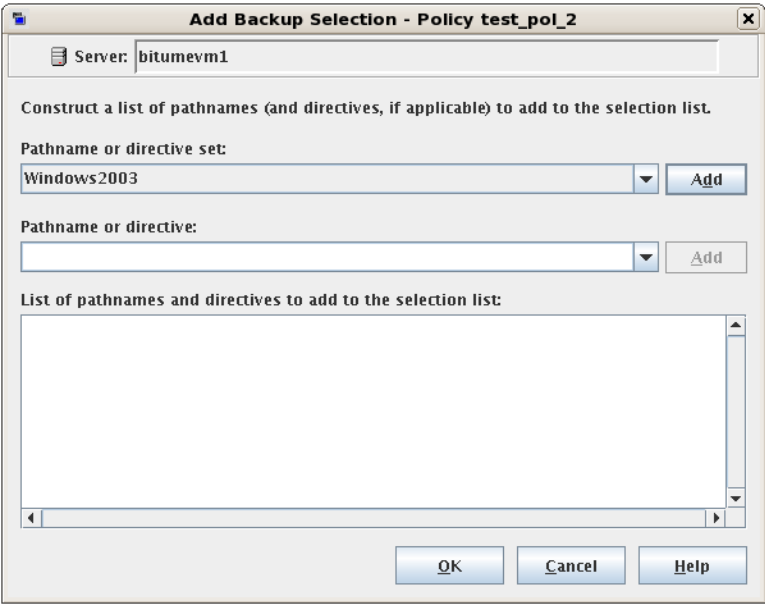
## Adding backup selections to a policy

Use the following procedure to add backup selections to a NetBackup policy, without opening up the tab view of the policy.

**To add backup selections to a policy**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Expand the policy name in the middle pane, then select **Backup Selections**.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, click **New > Backup Selection**.

- 4
- In the **Add Backup Selection** dialog box, indicate the path to the directory that you want to back up.
- The policy type determines whether the backup selections list can contain paths, directives, scripts, templates, or a combination.



- Entering a path to a directory

Type the name of the path in the **Pathname or Directive** field.

A path may contain up to 1023 characters.

See [“Pathname rules for UNIX client backups”](#) on page 725.

See [“Pathname rules for Windows client backups”](#) on page 718.
- Selecting a directive set or directive

Select or enter a directive set in the **Pathname or Directive set** drop-down menu.

Select or enter a directive in the **Pathname or Directive** drop-down menu.

See [“About the directives on the Backup Selections list”](#) on page 734.

Selecting a script or template

- Select or enter a script or template in the **Script or template** drop-down menu.

Templates are stored in a known location on the master server and do not need to be installed on each client in the **Clients** list. Enter only the template file name, without a path. For example: `weekly_full_backup.tpl`

Scripts require that you specify the full path. Be sure that the scripts that are listed are installed on each of the clients that are specified on the **Clients** tab.

- For Oracle policies, select a template set based on an operation from the **Template set** list.
- For Oracle policies or DB2 policies, select a template from the **Script or template** list, or type the name of a template.

Example of an Oracle script:

*install\_path/retbackup/ext/db\_ext/oracle/samples/tnav/cold\_database\_backup.sh*

Example of a DB2 script: `/myscripts/db2_backup.sh`

See [“Policy type \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 611.

See [“Verifying the Backup Selections list”](#) on page 714.

- 5 Click **Add** to add the item to the Backup Selections list for the policy.
- 6 Click **OK** to close the **Add Backup Selection** dialog box and add the items to the Backup Selection list for the policy.

## Verifying the Backup Selections list

Verify the **Backup Selections** list to make sure that the file paths are correct for the clients in the policy.

**Table 15-43** Steps to verify the Backup Selections list

| Step   | Action                                                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | Check the syntax for the directives and the file path rules. | <p>Do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ If the list includes directives, verify that the syntax for the directives is correct.</li> <li>■ Check all entries against the file path rules for the clients in the policy.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“Pathname rules for Windows client backups”</a> on page 718.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Pathname rules for Windows disk image (raw) backups”</a> on page 720.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Pathname rules for Windows registry backups”</a> on page 722.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Pathname rules for NetWare NonTarget clients”</a> on page 732.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Pathname rules for NetWare Target clients”</a> on page 734.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Pathname rules for UNIX client backups”</a> on page 725.</p> <p>Path rules for the NetBackup clients that are running separately-priced options are covered in the NetBackup guide for the product. (For example, Snapshot Client or NetBackup for MS-Exchange.)</p> |
| Step 2 | Check for warning messages.                                  | <p>Do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Run a set of backups.</li> <li>■ Check the <b>Problems</b> report or the <b>All Log Entries</b> report for warning messages.</li> </ul> <p>The backup status code does not always indicate errors on the <b>Backup Selection</b> list. Because NetBackup does not require all paths in the <b>Backup Selections</b> list to be present on all clients, an error may not be especially helpful.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Problems report”</a> on page 950.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“All Log Entries report”</a> on page 951.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Step 3 | Create a <b>File System Backup Coverage Report</b> .         | <p>Run the <code>check_coverage</code> script to create a <b>File System Backup Coverage Report</b>.</p> <p>The script is located in <code>/usr/openv/netbackup/bin/goodies</code>. The script can reveal mistakes in the selections list that make it impossible for NetBackup to find the files. Mistakes in the selections list can result in files being skipped in the backup.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Example log messages from the File System Backup Coverage Report (check_coverage)”</a> on page 716.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

### Example log messages from the File System Backup Coverage Report (check\_coverage)

The **File System Backup Coverage Report** is created by running the `check_coverage` script. The following table shows examples of the log messages that appear when files expected to be on a client are not found. For information on `check_coverage`, see the comments in the script.

**Table 15-44** Example log messages from the File System Backup Coverage Report

| Example                                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Regular expressions or wildcards                        | <p>Assume that the backup selections list contains a regular expression:</p> <pre>/home1[0123456789]</pre> <p>NetBackup backs up <code>/home10</code> through <code>/home19</code> if both exist.</p> <p>If they are not present, the <b>Problems</b> report or the <b>All Log Entries</b> report displays a message similar to the following:</p> <pre>02/02/10 20:02:33 windows freddie from client freddie: TRV - Found no matching file system for /home1[0123456789]</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Path not present on all clients or wrong path specified | <p>Assume that the backup selections list contains a path named <code>/worklist</code> that is not present on all clients. NetBackup backs up <code>/worklist</code> on the clients where it exists.</p> <p>For other clients, the <b>Problems</b> report or the <b>All Log Entries</b> report displays a message similar to the following:</p> <pre>02/02/10 21:46:56 carrot freddie from client freddie: TRV - cannot process path /worklist: No such file or directory. Skipping</pre> <p>This message occurs if <code>/worklist</code> is not the correct path name. For example, the directory name is <code>/worklists</code>, but <code>/worklist</code> was typed.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If the paths seem correct and the message continues to appear, ensure that no trailing spaces appear in the paths.</p> |



**Table 15-44** Example log messages from the File System Backup Coverage Report  
(continued)

| Example       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Symbolic link | <p>Assume the backup selections list names a symbolic link. NetBackup does not follow symbolic links and provides a message in the <b>Problems</b> report or the <b>All Log Entries</b> report:</p> <pre>02/02/10 21:46:47 carrot freddie from client freddie: WRN - /src is only being backed up as a symbolic link</pre> <p>Resolve the symbolic link if you do not intend to back up the symbolic link itself.</p> |

## How to reduce backup time

A client can be added to multiple policies, to divide the client’s files among the different backup selections lists. Multiple policies can reduce the backup time for that client because the files can be backed up in parallel.

Multiple clients can be backed up in parallel in the following situations:

- Multiple storage devices are available (or if the policies are multiplexed).
- **Maximum jobs per client** (in **Global Attributes** host properties) and the **Limit jobs per policy** policy attribute are set to allow it.  
See “[Global Attributes properties](#)” on page 145.  
See “[Limit jobs per policy \(policy attribute\)](#)” on page 624.

**Note:** Understand disk and controller input and output limitations before configuring including a client in multiple policies. For example, if two file systems overload the client when backed up in parallel, place both file systems in the same policy. Schedule the file systems at different times or set **Maximum jobs per client** to 1.

Another method to reduce backup time is to select **Allow multiple data streams** for a policy. Then, add `NEW_STREAMS` directives to the backup selections list.

For example:

```
NEW_STREAM
file_a
file_b
file_c
NEW_STREAM
```

```
file_d
file_e
file_f
```

The example produces two concurrent data streams. The first data string contains `file_a`, `file_b`, and `file_c`. The second data stream contains `file_d`, `file_e`, and `file_f`.

See [“Allow multiple data streams \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 640.

**Note:** For best performance, use only one data stream to back up each physical device on the client. Multiple concurrent streams from a single physical device can cause longer backup times. The disk heads must move back and forth between the tracks that contain files for the respective streams.

A directive instructs NetBackup to perform specific actions to process the files in the backup selections list.

## Pathname rules for Windows client backups

To back up Windows clients, use the following conventions for entries in the backup selections list.

**Table 15-45** Pathname rules for Windows client backups

| Item                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Paths per line         | Enter one path per line.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Colons and backslashes | Begin all paths with the drive letter followed by a colon (:) and a backslash (\).<br><br>To specify an entire volume, append a backslash (\) to the entry to ensure that all data is protected on that volume:<br><br>Correct entry: <code>c:\</code><br><br>Incorrect entry: <code>c:</code> |

**Table 15-45** Pathname rules for Windows client backups (*continued*)

| Item             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Case sensitivity | <p>The drive letter and path are case-insensitive.</p> <p>The following example entries would successfully indicate the same directory:</p> <pre>c:\Worklists\Admin\ C:\worklists\admin\ c:\WORKLISTS\Admin\ C:\Worklists\ADMIN\</pre> <p><b>Note:</b> If a path is listed in the <b>Backup Selections</b> tab more than once, the data is backed up more than once.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Wildcards        | <p>Asterisks (*) and question marks (?) are the only wildcard characters allowed in the backup selection list for Windows clients.</p> <p>Square brackets and curly brackets are not valid for Windows clients and can cause backups to fail with a status 71.</p> <p>For Windows clients, wildcards function correctly only when they are placed at the end of the path, in the file or directory name. For example:</p> <pre>C:\abc\xyz\r*.doc</pre> <p>Wildcard characters do not work elsewhere in the path. For example, an asterisk functions as a literal character (not as a wildcard) in the following examples:</p> <pre>C:\*\xyz\myfile C:\abc\*\myfile</pre> <p>See <a href="#">“Wildcard use in NetBackup”</a> on page 958.</p> |
| All local drives | <p>To back up all local drives except for those that use removable media, specify the following:</p> <pre>: \</pre> <p>Or</p> <pre>*: \</pre> <p>Or</p> <pre>ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES</pre> <p>The following drives are not backed up: floppy disks, CD-ROMs, and any drives that are located on remote systems but mounted on a system through the network.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

Table 15-45 Pathname rules for Windows client backups (continued)

| Item                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| Use of mapped drives      | <p>Do not specify a local drive path that is mapped to a CIFS share using the Windows Map Network Drive option.</p> <p>This holds true for a policy that contains multiple clients as well. Do not specify paths that point to different CIFS shares.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p>P:<br/>Q:<br/>R:</p>                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Use of UNC path(s)        | <p>If a backup policy contains multiple clients that specify a UNC path as a backup selection, the redundant backup copies are created of the same data from different clients.</p> <p>Consider including the host in a policy as a client to be backed up.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p>\\host_name\dir1</p>                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Omitted or excluded files | <p>By default, NetBackup does not back up some files.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Files that are excluded from backups by default”</a> on page 745.</p> <p>Exclude specific files from backups by creating an exclusion list on the client.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About excluding files from automatic backups”</a> on page 746.</p> <p>The following backup selection list uses Windows conventions:</p> <p>c:\<br/>d:\workfiles\<br/>e:\Special\status<br/>c:\tests\*.exe</p> |

## Pathname rules for Windows disk image (raw) backups

On Windows clients, you can back up a logical disk drive as a disk image. That is, NetBackup backs up the entire logical drive on a bit-by-bit basis rather than by directories and files. Use the **Full backup** backup type to perform a disk image backup.

To specify a disk image backup, add the logical name for the drive to the policy backup selection list. Disk images can be included in the same backup selection

list with other backups. In the following sample backup selection list, the first entry (\\.\c:) creates a disk image backup of a logical drive C.

```
\\.\c:

d:\workfiles\

e:\Special\status

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE:\
```

To restore the backup , the user clicks **Select for restore > Restore from Normal backup**.

When the backups are listed, the disk image appears as a file with the same name that was specified in the backup selection list. For the previous example, the file name would show as follows:

```
\\.\c:
```

When you enter the destination to restore the file, use the following format:

```
\\.\drive:
```

Where *drive* is the location where the partition is to be restored.

Consider the following when working with disk image backups:

|                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Windows Open File Backup methods | NetBackup first attempts to use Windows Open File Backup methods. If that fails, NetBackup locks the logical drive, which ensures that no changes occur during the backup. If there are open files on the logical drive, a disk image backup is not performed.   |
| Open files                       | Before a disk image is backed up or restored, all applications that have a file opened on the partition should be shut down. If the applications are not shut down, the operation fails. Examples of such applications are Windows Explorer or Norton AntiVirus. |
| Copy On Write snapshots          | Ensure that no active COW (Copy On Write) snapshots are in progress. If there is an active COW snapshot, the snapshot process itself has a handle open to the volume.                                                                                            |
| Raw partitions                   | NetBackup does not support raw partition backups on unformatted partitions.                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| Paging file | If the volume is configured to contain a paging file ( <code>pagefile.sys</code> ), a raw partition backup of that volume may fail. In order for a raw partition backup of that volume to succeed, the volume may need to be reconfigured so as not to contain a paging file. The raw partition backup of the volume may work without reconfiguration if a snapshot can successfully be taken of that volume. |
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## Pathname rules for Windows registry backups

The Windows registry can be backed up for disaster recover or individual HKEYs can be backed up. Consider the following items when configuring a Windows registry backup.

|                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Disaster recovery | <p>To ensure a successful recovery in case of a disk failure, always back up the entire registry. That is, back up the directory that contains the entire registry.</p> <p>On most Windows systems, this directory is located at:</p> <pre>%systemroot%\system32\config</pre> <p>Where <code>%systemroot%</code> is the directory where Windows is installed.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> To recover the registry, do not include individual registry files or HKEY entries in the selection list that’s used to back up the entire registry. If you use a NetBackup exclude list for a client, do not exclude any registry files from your backups.</p> <p>To restore the registry in the case of a disk failure, see the Disaster Recovery chapter in the <i>NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide</i>.</p> |
| Individual HKEYs  | <p>Do not back up individual HKEYs for disaster recovery. You cannot perform a disaster recovery by restoring HKEYs. Do not include HKEY entries in the same policy backup selection list that is used to back up the entire registry. However, to restore individual keys within the registry, create a separate policy, then specify the specific HKEYs in the backup selection list for that policy.</p> <p>The following is an example HKEY entry for a policy backup selection list:</p> <pre>HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE:\</pre> <p>Backups and restores are slower than if the entire registry was backed up.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                 |

## About hard links to files and directories

A hard link is a directory entry for a file. Every file can be considered to have at least one hard link. A hard link differs from a symbolic link in that a hard link is not a pointer to another file. A hard link is two directory entries that point to the same inode number.

If the backup selection list includes hard-linked files, the data is backed up only once during a backup. NetBackup uses the first file name reference that is found in the directory structure. If a subsequent file name reference is found, it is backed up as a link to the name of the first file. Backup up only the link means that only one backup copy of the data is created, regardless of the number of hard links. Any hard link to the data works.

On most UNIX systems, only the root user can create a hard link to a directory. Some systems do not permit hard links, and many vendors recommend that these links be avoided. NetBackup does not back up and restore hard-linked directories in the same manner as files.

Hard-linked files and hard-linked directories are different in the following ways:

- During a backup, if NetBackup encounters hard-linked directories, the directories are backed up once for each hard link.
- During a restore, NetBackup restores multiple copies of the hard-linked directory contents if the directories do not already exist on the disk. If the directories exist on disk, NetBackup restores the contents multiple times to the same disk location.

On NTFS volumes or on UNIX systems, each file can have multiple hard links. Therefore, a single file can appear in many directories (or even in the same directory with different names). A volume serial number (VSN) and a File Index indicate the actual, unique file on the volume. Collectively, the VSN and File Index are referred to as the file ID.

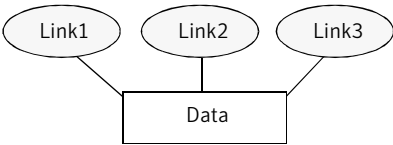
During a backup, if the backup selection list includes hard-linked files, the data is backed up only once. NetBackup uses the first file name reference that is found in the directory structure. If a subsequent file name reference is found, the reference is backed up as a link to the name of the first file. To back up subsequent references means that only one backup copy of the data is created, regardless of the number of multiple hard links.

If all hard-link references are restored, the hard-linked files continue to point to the same ID as the other files to which they are linked. However, if all the hard links are not restored, you can encounter anomalies as shown in the following examples.

Example 1: Restoring Link2 and Link3

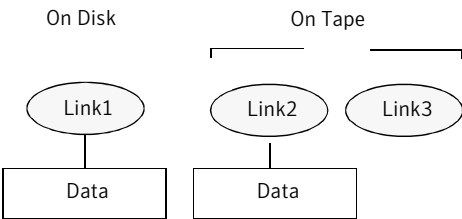
Assume that three hard links point to the same data. During a backup of Link2 and Link3, Link2 is encountered first and backed up. Then Link3 is backed up as a link to Link2. The three files are all hard-linked to the same data.

**Figure 15-23** Example of hard links to the same data



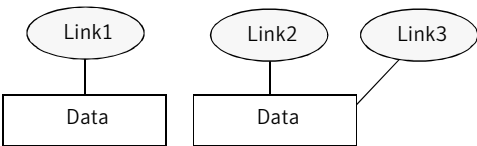
The original copies of Link2 and Link3 are backed up to tape, then deleted. Only Link1 is left on the disk.

**Figure 15-24** Example of hard links backed up to tape and disk



During a subsequent restore, Link2 and Link3 are restored. The restored files, however, do not point to the same file ID as Link1. Instead, they are assigned a new file ID or inode number and the data is written to a new place on the disk. The data in the new location is an exact copy of what is in Link1. The duplication occurs because the backup does not associate Link2 and L3 with Link1.

**Figure 15-25** Example of restored hard links



**Example 2: Restoring Link3**

Assume that this time you attempt to restore only Link3. However, NetBackup cannot link Link3 to Link2 because Link2 does not exist. The restore can complete only if it can link to Link2. A secondary restore request to the NetBackup server automatically restores Link2, which contains the data. Link2 can now be successfully restored.



## Pathname rules for UNIX client backups

To back up UNIX clients, use the following conventions for entries in the backup selections list.

**Table 15-46** Pathname rules for UNIX client backups

| Item                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Pathnames per line        | Enter one pathname per line. NetBackup supports a maximum path length of 1023 characters for UNIX clients.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Forward slash             | Begin all pathnames with a forward slash (/).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Wildcard characters       | <p>The following wildcard characters are allowed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*</li><li>?</li><li>[ ]</li><li>{ }</li></ul> <p>For UNIX clients, wildcards can appear anywhere in the path.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Wildcard use in NetBackup”</a> on page 958.</p>                                                                                                                                                    |
| Trailing spaces           | <p>If a backup selection list entry contains trailing spaces and a matching entry is not found, NetBackup deletes the spaces and checks again. If a match is not found, NetBackup skips the entry and logs a message in the <b>Problems</b> report or the <b>All Log Entries</b> report:</p> <pre>TRV - cannot process path pathname: No such file or directory.<br/>Skipping TRV - Found no matching file system for pathname</pre> |
| Mount points              | <p>Pathnames that cross mount points or that the client mounts through NFS can affect the backup configuration. Read about the <b>Follow NFS</b> and <b>Cross mount points</b> attributes before you create a backup selection list.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Follow NFS (policy attribute)”</a> on page 627.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Cross mount points (policy attribute)”</a> on page 630.</p>                                     |
| Bootable tapes            | NetBackup can back up operating system, kernel, and boot files. However, NetBackup cannot create bootable tapes. Consult your system documentation to create a bootable tape.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Omitted or excluded files | <p>By default, NetBackup does not back up all files.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Files that are excluded from backups by default”</a> on page 745.</p> <p>Exclude specific files from backups by creating an exclusion list on the client.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About excluding files from automatic backups”</a> on page 746.</p>                                                                                                    |

**Table 15-46** Pathname rules for UNIX client backups (*continued*)

| Item                                            | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <b>Busy File Settings</b>                       | <p>The <b>Busy File Settings</b> host properties for UNIX clients offers alternatives for handling busy and locked files.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Busy File Settings properties”</a> on page 81.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Access Control Lists (ACLs)                     | On Solaris, HP-UX, AIX, Linux Red Hat 4 (and later), Linux SUSE SLE 9 (and later), and supported Mac platforms, NetBackup backs up Access Control Lists (ACLs).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Sun PC NetLink                                  | NetBackup can back up and restore Sun PC NetLink files.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Extended attribute files and named data streams | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ By default, NetBackup backs up and restores Solaris 9 and 10 extended attribute files.</li> <li>■ The FlashBackup single file restore program (<code>sfr</code>) does not restore extended attribute files.</li> <li>■ By default, NetBackup backs up and restores named data streams for VxFS 4.0 (Solaris SPARC) and VxFS 5.0 (Solaris, HP, Linux, and AIX).</li> <li>■ The FlashBackup single file restore program (<code>sfr</code>) does not restore extended attribute files.</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">“About backing up and restoring extended attribute files and named data streams”</a> on page 729.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| VxFS extent attributes                          | On Hewlett-Packard and Solaris SPARC platforms, NetBackup backs up VxFS extent attributes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Symbolic links                                  | <p>NetBackup backs up the symbolic link object and does not attempt to follow the link to back up what it may point to. To achieve a backup of the target of the symbolic link, include that target in the file list.</p> <p>Restoring the symbolic link object restores only the object and not the data to which it may point. To restore the target data, select it from the backup image.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About hard links to files and directories”</a> on page 723.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If NetBackup restores a symbolic link as <code>root</code>, NetBackup changes the owner and group to the original owner and group. When NetBackup restores a symbolic link as a non-root user, the owner and group are set to the owner and the group of the person who performs the restore. Resetting the owner and group does not cause problems. When the UNIX system checks permissions, NetBackup uses the owner and group of the file to which the symbolic link points.</p> |
| Directory junctions                             | <p>NetBackup backs up the directory junction object and does not attempt to traverse into the directory to which it may point. To achieve a backup of the target of the directory junction, include that target in the file list.</p> <p>Restoring the directory junction link object restores only the object and not the data to which it may point. To restore the target data, select it from the backup image.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

See [“About the Reports utility”](#) on page 948.

## UNIX raw partitions

Save a copy of the partition table before a raw partition backup is performed. Retain the copy for reference. To restore the raw partition, make sure that a device file exists. Also, the partition where the table is restored must be large enough or the results of the restore are unpredictable.

Consider the following items when creating UNIX raw partition backups.

|                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| File changes during the backup | Use raw partition backups only if you can ensure that the files have not changed in any way during the backup. Or, in the case of a database, if you can restore the database to a consistent state by using transaction log files.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Backup archives                | Do not perform backup archives of raw partitions on any client. An archive backs up the raw partition, then deletes the device file that is associated with the raw partition. The file system does not recover the space that the raw partition uses.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| File systems                   | Before backing up file systems as raw partitions, unmount the file system. Unmounting the file system allows buffered changes to be written to the disk. Also, it prevents the possibility of any changes in the file system during the backup. Use the <code>bpstart_notify</code> and the <code>bpend_notify</code> scripts to unmount and remount the backed-up file systems.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Mount points                   | <p>The <b>Cross mount points</b> policy attribute has no effect on raw partitions. If the root partition is backed up as a raw partition and contains mount points to other systems, the file systems are not backed up. The other file systems are not backed up, even with <b>Cross mount points</b> selected.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Cross mount points (policy attribute)”</a> on page 630.</p> <p>The same is true for the <b>Follow NFS</b> policy attribute. NFS file systems that are mounted in a raw partition are not backed up. Nor can you back up raw partitions from other computers by using NFS mounts to access the raw partitions. The devices are not accessible on other computers through NFS.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Follow NFS (policy attribute)”</a> on page 627.</p> |
| Disk volume managers           | Specify the logical partition names for any disks that disk volume managers manage. (For example, Veritas Volume Manager (VxVM).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

|                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| FlashBackup policy                   | For clients in a FlashBackup policy, refer to the <i>NetBackup Snapshot Client Administrator's Guide</i> for the differences between Standard and FlashBackup policies.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Microsoft Cluster (MSCS) environment | <p>The use of FlashBackup in a Microsoft Cluster (MSCS) environment is supported, with the following limitation: Raw partition restores can only be performed when the disk being restored is placed in extended maintenance mode or removed from the MSCS resource group.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Earlier versions of MSCS (such as those versions that were shipped with Windows versions before Windows 2003 SP1) do not allow extended maintenance mode functionality. If the cluster does not support placing disks in extended maintenance mode, it is still possible to perform raw restores to an alternate, non-shared disk.</p> |

If there are no file systems to back up and the disks are used in raw mode, back up the disk partitions as raw partitions. For example, databases are sometimes used in raw mode. Use `bpstart_notify` and `bpend_notify` scripts to provide the necessary pre-processing and post-processing of databases when they are backed up as raw partitions.

You can also perform a raw partition backup of a disk partition that is used for file systems. A disadvantage of this method is that you must restore the entire partition to recover a single file (unless FlashBackup is in use). To avoid overwriting the entire partition, use the redirected restore feature to restore the raw partition to another raw partition of the same size. Then, copy individual files to the original file system.

Raw partition backups are also useful for backing up entire disks. Since the file system overhead is bypassed, a raw partition backup is usually faster. The size of the raw partition backup is the size of the entire disk, regardless of whether the entire disk is used.

To specify a UNIX raw partition in the policy backup selection list, enter the full path name of the device file.

For example, on a Solaris system enter:

```
/devices/sbus@1,f8000000/esp@0,800000/sd@2,0:1h
```

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**Note:** Do not specify wildcards (such as `/dev/rxd*`) in pathnames for raw partition backups. Doing so can prevent the successful restore of entire devices if there is overlap between the memory partitions for different device files.

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You can include raw partitions in the same backup selection list as other backups. For example:

```
/home  
/usr  
/etc  
/devices/sbus@1,f8000000/esp@0,800000/sd@2,0:1h
```

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**Note:** NetBackup does not distinguish between full and incremental backups when it backs up a raw partition. The entire partition is backed up in both cases.

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Raw partition backups occur only if the absolute pathname in the backup selection list is a block or character special device file. You can specify either block or character special device files. Character special device files are often faster because character devices avoid the use of the buffer cache for accessed disk data. Test both a block and character special device file to ensure the optimum backup speed for your platform.

Ensure that you specify the actual block-device or character-device files. Sometimes these are links to the actual device files. If a link is specified, only the link is backed up. If the device files are reached while backing up `/dev`, NetBackup backs up only the inode files for the device, not the device itself.

To perform a raw partition backup, select `Full backup` for the **Type of Backup** from the **Schedules** tab. Any other backup type does not work for backing up raw partitions.

See [“Type of backup \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 660.

## About backing up and restoring extended attribute files and named data streams

NetBackup can back up and restore the following file attributes:

- Extended attribute files of the Solaris UNIX file system (UFS) and temporary file system (tmpfs)
- Named data streams of the VxFS file system

NetBackup backs up extended attribute files and named data streams as part of normal file system backups.

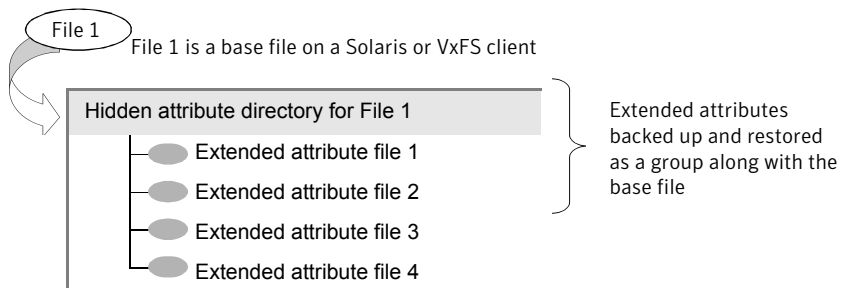
Extended attribute files and named data streams are normal files contained in a hidden attribute directory that relate to a particular base file. The hidden directory is stored within the file system, but can be accessed only by the base file to which it is related. To view which files have extended attributes on Solaris 9 (or greater) systems, enter: `ls -@`

Neither extended attribute files nor named data streams can be backed up or restored individually. Rather, the files are backed up and restored all at once along with the base file.

The presence of a large number of extended attribute files or named data streams can cause some degradation in backup and restore speed. The speed is affected since the base file and all associated files are backed up.

The speed is especially affected in the case of incremental backups, during which NetBackup checks the `mtime` or `ctime` of each file individually.

**Figure 15-26** Example of base file and extended attribute directory and files



To back up or restore named data streams and extended attributes, the client, media server, and master server must run the following versions:

- NetBackup clients
  - HP 11.23 running VxFS 4.1 or greater.

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**Note:** Access Control Lists (ACLs) are not backed up unless running VxFS 5.0 or greater.

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- AIX running VxFS 4.0 or greater.

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**Note:** Access Control Lists (ACLs) are not backed up unless running VxFS 5.0 or greater.

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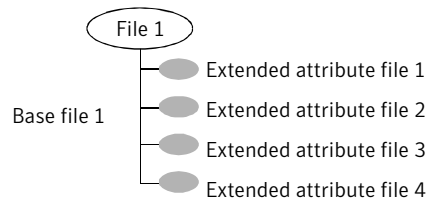
- Solaris 10 running VxFS 5.0 or greater
- Solaris SPARC 9, 10 running VxFS 4.0 or greater
- Linux running VxFS 5.0 or greater.
- A NetBackup master server

A NetBackup master server of any version can back up and restore named data streams and Solaris extended attributes.

Restored attribute files and named data streams can replace existing files if **Overwrite existing files** is selected in the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface.

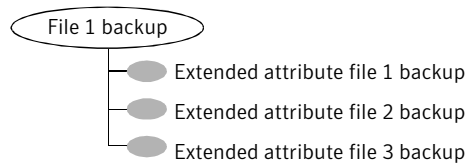
In the following example, File 1 is to be restored. Base File 1 currently possesses four extended attribute files.

**Figure 15-27** Extended attribute files of Base File 1



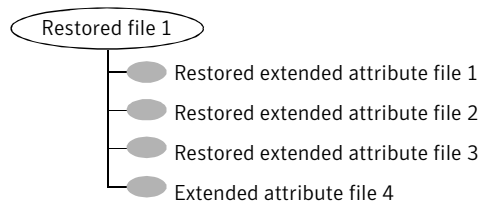
The user restores File 1 from a backup that was created when File 1 possessed only three extended attribute files.

**Figure 15-28** Backup of File 1



Since **Overwrite existing files** is selected as a restore option, when the user restores File 1, extended attribute files 1, 2, and 3 are overwritten. Extended attribute file 4 remains and is not overwritten.

**Figure 15-29** Restore of File 1



If an attempt is made to restore the following items, an error message appears in the **Restore Monitor**. The error message informs the user that the extended attributes or named data streams are not restored.

- The extended attribute files to any non-Solaris 9 client (or greater)
- Named data streams to any non-VxFS 4.0 client

NetBackup then continues with the restore job.

To disable the restore of extended attribute files and named data streams, add an empty file to the client. Name the file `IGNORE_XATTR` and place it in the following directory:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/
```

The addition affects only Solaris 9 or VxFS 4.0 clients.

File `IGNORE_XATTR` was formerly known as `IGNORE_XATTR_SOLARIS`.

Only the modified GNU `tar` that is supplied with NetBackup can restore the extended attributes or named data streams to a client.

For more information, see the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide for UNIX and Linux, Volume II*.

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**Note:** Extended attributes and named data streams cannot be compressed.

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## Pathname rules for NetWare NonTarget clients

For NetWare systems that are running the NonTarget version of NetBackup client software, specify the paths in the following form:

```
/SMDR/TSA/TS/resources/directory/file
```

The elements of the example path are described as follows:

|                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>SMDR</i>           | The <b>Storage Management Data Requestor</b> is the name of the NetWare file server that is running the SMDR.NLM that is used for backups. (NLM means NetWare-loadable module.)                                                                                                                              |
| <i>TSA</i>            | The <b>Target Service Agent</b> is a NetWare software module that prepares the data for backup or restore by the SMDR. The type of TSA that is used depends on the data. For example, NetWare file systems and DOS workstations each have TSAs.                                                              |
| <i>TS</i>             | The <b>Target Service</b> is the NetWare entity that contains the data that the selected TSA handles. For example, in the case of the DOS TSA ( <code>tsasms.com</code> ) it is a DOS workstation. In the case of a NetWare file system TSA, it is the system with the NetWare file systems to be backed up. |
| <i>resources</i>      | The resources on the target service. For example, it can be NetWare file systems such as BINDERY, SYS, and USER.                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <i>directory/file</i> | The directory and file that are in the resource (if it is a path to a specific file).                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |



To back up NetWare NonTarget clients, use the following conventions for entries in the backup selections list.

**Table 15-47** Pathname rules for NetWare NonTarget clients

| Item             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Server access    | Give the server access to each path or the scheduled backup fails. To provide this access, use the <b>Allowed scheduled access</b> command on the <b>Backup</b> menu in the NetBackup interface on the NetWare client.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Paths per line   | Enter one path per line.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Forward slash    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Begin all paths with a forward slash (/).</li> <li>■ Precede each component in the path with a forward slash.</li> </ul> <p>If the last component in the path is a directory, follow it with a forward slash (/). The trailing slash is not required but is a reminder that the path points to a directory instead of a file.</p> <pre>/client1/client1.NetWare File System/client1/SYS/DOC/</pre> <p>If the last component is a file, include the file extension and omit the slash from the end of the name.</p> <pre>/client1/client1.NetWare File System/client1/SYS/DOC/TEST.TXT</pre> |
| Case sensitivity | All components in a path must show uppercase and lowercase letters as they appear in the actual path on the client.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Wildcards        | <p>Wildcard usage is the same as for Windows clients.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Wildcard use in NetBackup”</a> on page 958.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| All clients      | <p>To back up all NetBackup for NetWare clients that are in the policy, enter only one forward slash (/) on a line:</p> <pre>/</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| One client       | <p>To back up an entire NetBackup for NetWare client, enter a forward slash (/) followed by the client name and another forward slash:</p> <pre>/client1/</pre>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

The following example backs up SYS, BINDERY, and USER file systems under the file system TSA on a client that is named client1:

```
/client1/client1.NetWare File System/client1/SYS/
/client1/client1.NetWare File System/client1/BINDERY/
/client1/client1.NetWare File System/client1/USER/
```

**Note:** The **Allowed scheduled access** command on the NetBackup NetWare client **Backup** menu must also specify access to these paths.

## Pathname rules for NetWare Target clients

For NetWare clients that are running the Target version of NetBackup client software, use the following format for the paths:

*/target/*

Where *target* is the name of a target that is defined on the NetBackup for NetWare client.

To back up NetWare Target clients, use the following conventions for entries in the backup selections list.

**Table 15-48** Conventions for specifying pathnames for NetWare Target clients

| Item             | Description                                                                                                                                          |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Targets per line | Enter one target per line.                                                                                                                           |
| Forward slash    | Begin all target names with a forward slash (/).                                                                                                     |
| Case sensitivity | All target names must be in uppercase.                                                                                                               |
| Wildcards        | Follow the wildcard use as described in the following topic for Windows clients.<br><br>See <a href="#">“Wildcard use in NetBackup”</a> on page 958. |

The following example backs up the targets: NETWARE, SYSTEM, and BINDERY:

```
/NETWARE/  
/SYSTEM/  
/BINDERY/
```

## Pathname rules for the clients that run extension products

Path rules for the NetBackup clients that are running separately-priced options are covered in the NetBackup guide for the product. (For example, Snapshot Client or NetBackup for MS-Exchange.)

## About the directives on the Backup Selections list

Directives on the **Backup Selections** list signal NetBackup to perform specific, predefined actions when it processes the files on the selections list.

The available directives depend on the policy type and whether the **Allow multiple data streams** attribute is enabled for the policy. The following example is a backup selections list that contains the `NEW_STREAM` directive. The **MS-Windows** policy type is selected, and **Allow multiple data streams** is enabled.

```
NEW_STREAM
D:\Program Files
NEW_STREAM
C:\Winnt
```

**Note:** For best performance, use only one data stream to back up each physical device on the client. Multiple concurrent streams from a single physical device can adversely affect backup times. The heads must move back and forth between the tracks that contain files for the respective streams.

The following table summarizes many of the directives available on the **Backup Selections** list.

**Table 15-49** Summary of directives on the Backup Selections list

| Directive                           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Applicable operating system |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES                    | Instructs NetBackup to back up all local drives except for those drives that use removable media. This directive also includes critical system-related components.<br><br>See “ <a href="#">ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES directive</a> ” on page 736.                       | All                         |
| System State:\                      | Instructs NetBackup to back up critical system-related components. The exact set of system components that are backed up depends on the operating system version and system configuration.<br><br>See “ <a href="#">System State:\ directive</a> ” on page 738. | Windows 2003 and later      |
| Shadow Copy Components:\            | Instructs NetBackup to back up all writers for the Volume Shadow Copy component. This also implies and/or includes System State:\ if that was not also selected.<br><br>See “ <a href="#">Shadow Copy Components:\ directive</a> ” on page 739.                 | Windows 2003 and later      |
| Active Directory Application Mode:\ | Active Directory Application Mode (ADAM) is a lightweight directory service that runs as a user service. This directive can be used to back up ADAM data on computers where it is installed. However, it does not back up the Active Directory itself.          | Windows 2003 and later      |

Table 15-49 Summary of directives on the Backup Selections list (continued)

| Directive                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Applicable operating system |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Policy-specific directives | Apply only to specific policy types and can appear only in backup selections lists for those policies.<br><br>See “ <a href="#">Directives for specific policy types</a> ” on page 740.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Policy type specific        |
| UNSET and UNSET_ALL        | Interrupt the streaming of policy-specific directives. The <b>Allow multiple data streams</b> policy attribute must be enabled before these directives can be used.<br><br>See “ <a href="#">UNSET and UNSET_ALL directives</a> ” on page 744.                                                                                                                                                                                            | All                         |
| NEW_STREAM                 | When on the first line of the <b>Backup Selections</b> list, this directive determines how a backup is performed in the following modes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Administrator-defined streaming</li><li>■ Auto-discovery streaming</li></ul> The <b>Allow multiple data streams</b> policy attribute must be enabled before this directive can be used.<br><br>See “ <a href="#">NEW_STREAM directive</a> ” on page 741. | All                         |

ALL\_LOCAL\_DRIVES directive

Use the ALL\_LOCAL\_DRIVES directive to back up all local drives except for those drives that use removable media. If this directive is used, this directive must be the only entry in the backup selections list for the policy. No other files or directives can be listed. The directive applies only to the following policy types:

- Standard (except for NetWare target clients)
- MS-Windows
- NetWare
  - Only for NonTarget clients
  - Only when **Allow multiple data streams** is disabled

ALL\_LOCAL\_DRIVES gives different results depending on whether **Allow multiple data streams** is enabled for the policy:

|                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Allow multiple data streams enabled</b>  | Applies only to Standard (except for NetWare target clients) and MS-Windows policy types. NetBackup backs up the entire client, then splits the data from each drive (Windows) or file system (UNIX) into its own backup stream. NetBackup periodically preprocesses the client to make necessary changes to the streams. |
| <b>Allow multiple data streams disabled</b> | NetBackup backs up the entire client and includes all drives and file systems in the same stream.                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

See [“Allow multiple data streams \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 640.

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**Caution:** Do not select **Cross mount points** for policies where you use the `ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES` directive.

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See [“ALL\\_LOCAL\\_DRIVES example: Auto-discovery mode”](#) on page 737.

See [“ALL\\_LOCAL\\_DRIVES example: Without multiple data streams”](#) on page 737.

### **ALL\_LOCAL\_DRIVES example: Auto-discovery mode**

Assume that **Allow multiple data streams** is enabled in the auto-discovery mode. Assume that the client is a Windows system with two drive volumes, `C:\` and `D:\`. The backup selections list contains the following directive:

```
ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES
```

For this backup selections list, NetBackup generates the following:

- One stream for `C:\`
- One stream for `D:\`

For a UNIX client, NetBackup generates a stream for each file system.

`SYSTEM_STATE` is also backed up because `SYSTEM_STATE` is included in the `ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES` directive.

See [“ALL\\_LOCAL\\_DRIVES example: Without multiple data streams”](#) on page 737.

See [“Allow multiple data streams \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 640.

### **ALL\_LOCAL\_DRIVES example: Without multiple data streams**

Assume that **Allow multiple data streams** is not enabled. Assume that the client is a Windows system with two drive volumes, `C:\` and `D:\`. The backup selections list contains the following directive:

```
ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES
```

For this backup selections list, NetBackup backs up the entire client in one data stream that contains the data from both C:\ and D:\.

SYSTEM\_STATE is also backed up because SYSTEM\_STATE is included in the ALL\_LOCAL\_DRIVES directive.

See [“Allow multiple data streams \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 640.

## System State:\ directive

The System State:\ can be used on Windows 2003 systems and later.

The System State:\ directive is needed for the operating system versions which do not support Shadow Copy Components, such as Windows XP.

Windows 2003 Server computers recognize the System State:\ directive and behave as if following the Shadow Copy Components:\ directive. A message informs the user that this directive translation occurred.

The System State:\ directive creates a backup for critical system-related components. The exact set of system components that are backed up depends on the operating system version and system configuration.

The list of items that are backed up can include the following:

- Active Directory
- COM+ Class Database
- Cluster Database
- IIS Database
- Registry
- Boot Files and protected files
- SYSVOL
- Certificate Server

The files that comprise the registry can be found in the following location:

%SystemRoot%\SYSTEM32\Config

At a minimum, the following files are backed up as part of the registry:

- DEFAULT
- SAM
- SOFTWARE
- SECURITY

## ■ SYSTEM

### Shadow Copy Components:\ directive

The `Shadow Copy Components:\` directive specifies that all of the Volume Shadow Copy component writers get backed up. This directive affects the backups of the following clients:

- Windows 2003 Server computers that use the Volume Shadow Copy components.
- Windows IA64 systems with EFI System partitions.

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**Note:** NetBackup 7.5 no longer supports the Windows Itanium (IA64) platform for NetBackup clients and servers. However, NetBackup 7.5 offers back-level support for NetBackup 7.1 Windows IA64 clients.

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**Note:** In the policies that back up Windows clients on IA64 platforms, use the `Shadow Copy components:\` directive instead of the `System_State:\` directive. The `Shadow Copy components:\` directive includes System State components and the EFI System partition automatically in the backup.

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Since the Shadow Copy Components contain System State information, the Shadow Copy Components need to be backed up by a full backup.

The Volume Shadow Copy components include the following:

- |                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| System State writers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ System files</li> <li>■ COM+ Class Registration Database</li> <li>■ SYSVOL</li> <li>■ Active Directory</li> <li>■ Cluster quorum</li> <li>■ Certificate Services</li> <li>■ Registry</li> <li>■ Internet Information Services</li> </ul> |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| System Service writers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Removable Storage Manager</li><li>■ Event logs</li><li>■ Windows Internet Name Service</li><li>■ Windows Management Instrumentation</li><li>■ Remote Storage</li><li>■ Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol</li><li>■ Terminal Server Licensing</li><li>■ Background Intelligent Transfer Service</li></ul> |
| User Data              | <p>Items that the computer does not require to operate. For example, Active Directory Application Mode and Microsoft Distributed File System Replication (DSFR) folders.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About Microsoft DSFR backups”</a> on page 603.</p>                                                                                                |
| Other Data             | <p>A category that is intended for future NetBackup releases.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

### Directives for specific policy types

Some directives apply only to specific policy types and can appear only in backup selections lists for those policies. NetBackup passes policy-specific directives to the clients along with the backup selections list. The clients then perform the appropriate action according to the directive. All policy-specific directives that are passed to a client in a stream are passed in all subsequent streams.

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**Note:** Include policy-specific directives only in backup selections lists for the policies that support the directives or errors can occur.

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The following policy types have their own backup selections list directives:

- AFS
- FlashBackup
- NDMP
- Lotus-Notes
- MS-Exchange-Server

For example, the following directives can appear only in the backup selections list of an AFS policy:

```
CREATE_BACKUP_VOLUMES
SKIP_SMALL_VOLUMES
```



Except for AFS, these policy types can be used when their associated separately-priced option is installed.

For information on other policy types and associated backup selections list directives, see the NetBackup guide for the option.

## NEW\_STREAM directive

The `NEW_STREAM` directive is recognized only if **Allow multiple data streams** is set for the policy. `NEW_STREAM` directives are ignored if **Allow multiple data streams** is not set.

If this directive is used in a backup selections list, the first instance of it must be on the first line. If it appears on the first line, it can also appear elsewhere in the list.

The presence of `NEW_STREAM` on the first line of the backup selections list determines how the backup is performed in the following modes: in administrator-defined streaming or in the auto-discovery streaming.

## About the administrator-defined streaming mode

If `NEW_STREAM` is the first line of the backup selections list, the backup is performed in the administrator-defined streaming mode.

In this mode, the following actions occur:

- The backup splits into a separate stream at each point in the backup selections list where the `NEW_STREAM` directive occurs.
- All file paths between `NEW_STREAM` directives belong to the same stream.
- The start of a new stream (a `NEW_STREAM` directive) defines the end of the previous stream.
- The last stream in the backup selections list is terminated by the end of the backup selections list.

In the following examples, assume that each stream is from a separate physical device on the client. Multiple concurrent streams from a single physical device can adversely affect backup times. The backup time is longer if the heads must move back and forth between the tracks that contain files for the respective streams.

For example, consider the following backup selections list:

```
NEW_STREAM
/usr
/lib
```

```
NEW_STREAM
/home
/bin
```

This backup selection list contains two data streams:

- The `NEW_STREAM` directive at the top of the list starts administrator-defined streaming and the first stream. This stream backs up `/usr` and `/lib`.
- The second `NEW_STREAM` starts a second data stream that backs up `/home` and `/bin`.

If a backup selections list entry is added to a stream, the entry is not backed up until the schedule is due for the policy. If the next backup due is an incremental, only the files that changed are backed up. To ensure that a new entry gets a full backup the first time, add it to a new stream. NetBackup performs a full backup of new streams that are added to the backup selections list.

In the previous example, assume that you add the following:

```
/var

after

/bin
```

If an incremental backup is due that night, only changed files in `/var` are backed up. Add a `NEW_STREAM` directive before `/var`, to perform a full backup of all files in `/var`, regardless of when the files were last changed.

## About the auto-discovery streaming mode

The auto-discovery streaming mode is initiated if the `NEW_STREAM` directive is not the first line of the backup selections list. The list must contain either the `ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES` directive or wildcards.

In this mode, the backup selections list is sent to the client, which preprocesses the list and splits the backup into streams as follows:

- If the backup selections list contains the `ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES` directive, NetBackup backs up the entire client. However, NetBackup splits each drive volume (Windows) or file system (UNIX) into its own backup stream. See [“ALL\\_LOCAL\\_DRIVES directive”](#) on page 736.
- If wildcards are used, the expansion of the wildcards results in one stream per wildcard expansion. Wildcard usage is the same as for Windows clients. See [“Wildcard use in NetBackup”](#) on page 958.

If the backup selections list contains neither the `ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES` directive nor wildcards, the auto-discovery mode is not used. The server preprocesses rather than the client. Each file path in the backup selections list becomes a separate stream.

The auto-discovery streaming mode applies to Standard and MS-Windows policy types, except for NetWare clients.

Before the backup begins, the client uses auto-discovery to preprocess the backup selections list to determine how many streams are required. The first backup that a policy performs preprocesses the backup selections list. Depending on the length of the preprocess interval, preprocessing may not occur before every backup.

## About setting the preprocess interval for auto-discovery

The preprocess interval applies only to auto-discovery mode and specifies how often preprocessing occurs. When a schedule is due and NetBackup uses auto-discovery, NetBackup checks whether the previous preprocessing session has occurred within the preprocess interval.

NetBackup performs one of the following actions:

- If the preprocessing session occurs within the preprocess interval, NetBackup does not run preprocessing on the client.
- If the preprocessing session did not occur within the preprocess interval, NetBackup preprocesses the client and makes required changes to the streams.

If necessary, you can change the interval by using the `bpconfig` command. The default is four hours and is a good value for most of the sites that run daily backups.

If the interval is too long or too short, the following problems can occur:

|                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Interval is too long.  | Can cause missed backups because new streams are not added early enough. For example, assume that the preprocess interval is set to four hours and a schedule has a frequency of less than four hours. A new stream can be omitted from the next backup because the preprocessing interval has not expired when the backup is due. |
| Interval is too short. | Can cause preprocessing to occur often enough to increase scheduling time to an unacceptable level. A short interval is most likely to be a problem when the server must contact a large number of clients for preprocessing.                                                                                                      |

Use the following form of the `bpconfig` command to change the interval:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpconfig [-prep hours]
```

For more information on the `bpconfig` command, see the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

## UNSET and UNSET\_ALL directives

`UNSET`, `UNSET_ALL` The `UNSET` and `UNSET_ALL` directives interrupt the streaming of policy-specific directives.

All policy-specific directives that are passed to a client in a stream are passed in all subsequent streams. The `UNSET` and `UNSET_ALL` directives change this behavior. These directives are recognized only if the **Allow multiple data streams** option is set for the policy.

See [“Directives for specific policy types”](#) on page 740.

See [“Allow multiple data streams \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 640.

`UNSET`

The `UNSET` directive interrupts a policy-specific directive so it is not passed with any additional streams. The directive that was unset can be defined again later in the backup selections list to be included in the current and the later streams.

In the following backup selections list, the `set` command is a client-specific directive that is passed to the first and all subsequent streams.

```
NEW_STREAM
set destpath=/etc/home
/tmp
/use
NEW_STREAM
/export
NEW_STREAM
/var
```

For the `set` command to be passed to the first two streams only, use `UNSET` or `UNSET_ALL` at the beginning of the third stream. At this location, it prevents `SET` from being passed to the last stream.

```
NEW_STREAM
set destpath=/etc/home
/tmp
/use
NEW_STREAM
/export
NEW_STREAM
UNSET set destpath=/etc/home [or UNSET_ALL]
/var
```

`UNSET_ALL`      `UNSET_ALL` has the same effect as `UNSET` but unsets all policy-specific directives in the backup selections list that have been defined up to this point.

## Files that are excluded from backups by default

By default, a number of files and file states are not backed up by NetBackup.

You can also exclude specific files from automatic backups by specifying the files or directories in an exclude list on the client.

See [“About excluding files from automatic backups”](#) on page 746.

By default, NetBackup does not back up the following files:

- NFS files or directories. To back up NFS files, enable **Follow NFS**.
- Files or directories in a different file system. To back up files in a different file system, enable **Cross mount points**.
- Files or directories with path lengths longer than 1023 characters.
- Files or directories in which the operating system does not return inode information (the `lstat` system call fails).
- Directories that NetBackup cannot access (the `cd` command cannot access).
- Socket special files. (Named pipes are backed up, however.)
- Locked files when locked by an application that currently has the file open.
- Busy files. If a file is open, NetBackup backs up the last saved version of the file.

NetBackup automatically excludes the following file system types on most platforms:

- `cdrom` (all UNIX platforms)
- `cachets` (AIX, Solaris, UnixWare)
- `devpts` (Linux)
- `mntfs` (Solaris)
- `proc` (UNIX platforms)  
Does not exclude automatically for AIX, so `/proc` must be added manually to the exclude list. If `/proc` is not added manually, partially successful backups may result with the `ALL_LOCAL_DRIVES` directive on AIX.
- `tmpfs` (Linux)
- `usbdevfs` (Linux)

See [“Follow NFS \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 627.

See [“Cross mount points \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 630.

## About excluding files from automatic backups

On most NetBackup clients, you can exclude specific files from automatic backups by specifying the files in an exclude list on the client.

You can also create an include list to add a file(s) specifically that is excluded. The include list is useful to exclude an entire directory except for one file, for example.

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**Note:** Exclude and include lists do not apply to user backups and archives.

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The method for specifying files in the exclude list and the include list depends on the type of client as follows:

|                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Microsoft Windows clients | <p>Specify exclude and include lists in the <b>Backup, Archive, and Restore</b> client interface. Start <b>Backup, Archive, and Restore</b>. On the <b>File</b> menu, click <b>NetBackup Client Properties</b>. Select the <b>Exclude List</b> tab or the <b>Include List</b> tab. For further instructions, see the NetBackup user’s guide for the client.</p> <p>The <b>Exclude List</b> or the <b>Include List</b> can also be specified through the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> on the master server.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Exclude Lists properties”</a> on page 129.</p> |
| NetWare target clients    | <p>The exclude and include lists are specified when the targets are added.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| UNIX clients              | <p>Create the exclude and include lists in the following files on the client:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/include_list</code></li><li>■ <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup/exclude_list</code></li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## VMware Policy tab

The **VMware** tab appears for policies of the **VMware** policy type.

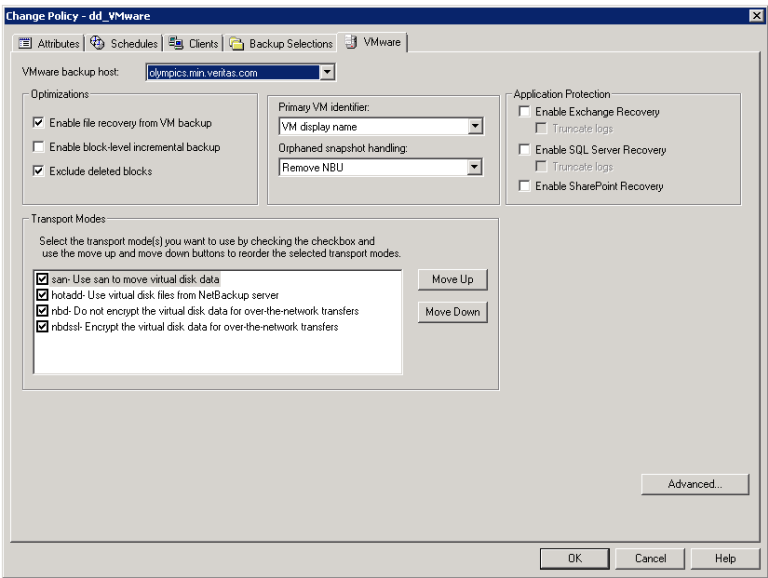
The following options appear on the **VMware** tab.

For more information about VMware, see the *NetBackup for VMware Guide*.

**Table 15-50** Options on the VMware Policies tab

| Option                                       | Description                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>VMware backup host</b>                    | Specify the VMware backup host.                                                                                                               |
| <b>Enable file recovery from VM backup</b>   | Enable recovery of individual files. You can also recover the entire virtual machine.                                                         |
| <b>Enable block-level incremental backup</b> | Enable block-level backups of the virtual machine.                                                                                            |
| <b>Exclude deleted blocks</b>                | Reduce the size of the backup image by excluding any unused or deleted blocks within the file system on the virtual machine.                  |
| <b>Exclude swapping and paging files</b>     | Reduce the size of the backup image by excluding the guest OS system paging file (Windows) or the swap file (Linux).                          |
| <b>Primary VM Identifier</b>                 | Specify the type of name by which NetBackup recognizes virtual machines when it selects them for backup.                                      |
| <b>Orphaned Snapshot Handling</b>            | Specify the action that NetBackup takes when a snapshot is discovered before NetBackup creates a new snapshot for the virtual machine backup. |
| <b>Enable Exchange Recovery</b>              | Enable recovery of individual files from Microsoft Exchange data in the virtual machine backup.                                               |
| <b>Enable SQL Server Recovery</b>            | Enable recovery of individual files from Microsoft SQL data in the virtual machine backup.                                                    |
| <b>Truncate logs</b>                         | Truncates the transaction logs when the backup occurs.                                                                                        |
| <b>Enable SharePoint Recovery</b>            | Enable recovery of individual files from Microsoft SharePoint data in the virtual machine backup.                                             |
| <b>Transfer Modes</b>                        | Determine how the snapshot data travels from the VMware datastore to the VMware backup host.                                                  |

Figure 15-30 VMware Policies tab



# Hyper-V Policies tab

The **Hyper-V** tab appears for policies of the **Hyper-V** policy type.

The following options appear on the **Hyper-V** tab.

Table 15-51 Options on the Hyper-V Policies tab

| Option                                | Description                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Hyper-V host                          | The Hyper-V host is a NetBackup client that performs backups on behalf of the virtual machines. Enter the name of the Hyper-V host.                                                     |
| Enable file recovery from VM backup   | Allows restore of individual files from the backup. With or without this option, you can restore the entire virtual machine.                                                            |
| Primary VM Identifier                 | Specifies the type of name by which NetBackup recognizes virtual machines when it selects them for backup.                                                                              |
| Enable offline backup for non-VSS VMs | Determines whether NetBackup is allowed to perform an offline backup of a virtual machine. This option is intended for guest operating systems that do not support VSS (such as Linux). |

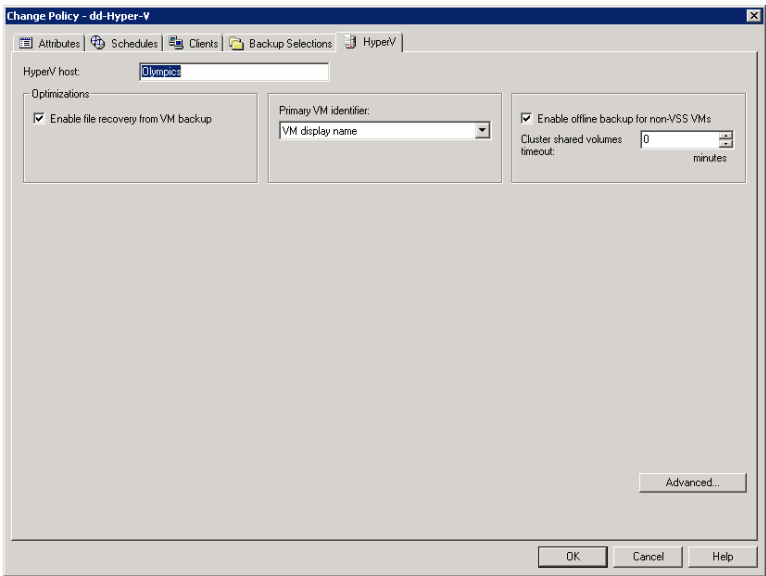


Table 15-51 Options on the Hyper-V Policies tab (continued)

| Option                         | Description                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cluster shared volumes timeout | Applies to backups of the virtual machines that are configured in a Microsoft Cluster that uses cluster shared volumes (CSV). |

For more information about Hyper-V, see the *NetBackup for Hyper-V Guide*.

Figure 15-31 Hyper-V Policies tab



## Disaster Recovery tab

The **Disaster Recovery** tab appears for the **NBU-Catalog** policy type. The **Disaster Recovery** tab contains options for configuring disaster recovery protection methods for the catalog data.

**Note:** Do not save the disaster recovery information to the local computer. Symantec recommends that the image file be saved to a network share or a removable device.

Figure 15-32 Disaster Recovery tab

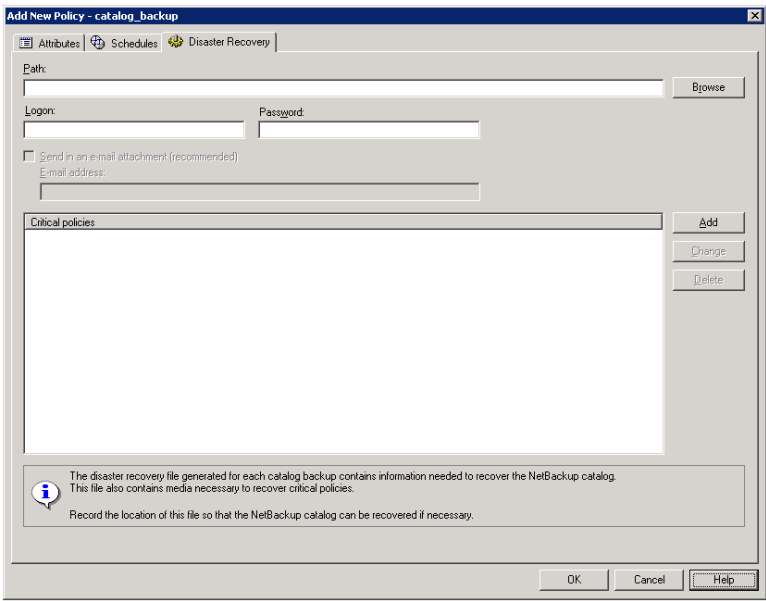


Table 15-52 describes the options on the **Disaster Recovery** tab.

Table 15-52 Options on the Disaster Recovery tab

| Option | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Path   | <p>Specify the directory where the disaster recovery information is to be saved. Do not save the disaster recovery information to the local computer. Symantec recommends that you save the image file to a network share or a removable device.</p> <p>The share must be established and available before the hot catalog backup runs.</p> <p>Specify an NFS share or a UNC path (CIFS Windows share).</p> <p>When indicating a UNC path, note the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ A Windows master server can indicate a UNC path to a Windows computer.</li><li>■ A UNIX master server cannot indicate a UNC path to a Windows computer.</li><li>■ A UNIX master server cannot indicate a UNC path to a UNIX machine. To do so, first mount that UNC location on the master server, and then provide the UNC path to the UNIX machine.</li></ul> <p>The path for the disaster recovery information cannot be to a directory that is on the same partition as <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup</code>. If the path is to a location on the same partition as <code>/usr/opensv/netbackup</code>, NetBackup displays a status 20 error message. The message states that the disk path is invalid. Change the path on the <b>Disaster Recovery</b> tab to a directory on a different partition.</p> |

**Table 15-52** Options on the Disaster Recovery tab (*continued*)

| Option                             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Logon</b>                       | <p>Specify the logon and password information that is required to access an established Windows or NFS share.</p> <p>If the logon information is not valid, NetBackup returns a message. The message requests that the user either reenter the logon and password information or clear the alternate location option to continue.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Password</b>                    | Specify the password that is required to log on to the share.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Send in an email attachment</b> | <p>Specify the email address where the disaster recovery report should be sent. Symantec recommends that the disaster recovery report be sent to at least one email address. To send the information to more than one address, separate email addresses with a comma as follows:</p> <p><i>email1@domain.com,email2@domain.com</i></p> <p>See <a href="#">“Setting up email notifications about backups”</a> on page 150.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Critical policies</b>           | <p>Lists the policies that are considered crucial to the recovery of a site in the event of a disaster. The NetBackup <b>Disaster Recovery</b> report lists all of the media that is used for backups of critical policies, including the most recent full backup. The NetBackup <b>Disaster Recovery</b> wizard warns you if any media for critical policies are not available.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The <b>Disaster Recovery</b> report lists the media for only incremental and full backup schedules so critical policies should use only incremental or full backup schedules. Certain database backups schedules, such as Oracle and Microsoft SQL Server, only use schedule types of Application Backup and Automatic Backup. Because of the schedule types, media listings for these backups do not appear on the <b>Disaster Recovery</b> report.</p> |

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**Note:** Vault protects the disaster recovery data by sending the data to the Vault site as an email attachment of the Vault report email.

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## Adding policies to the Critical Policies list of a catalog backup policy

Use the following procedure to add policies to the **Critical Policies** list of a catalog backup policy.

### To add a policy to the critical policies list

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Do one of the following:
  - Double-click a configured catalog backup policy.
  - Create a catalog backup policy.

See [“Configuring a catalog backup manually”](#) on page 794.

- 3 Select the **Disaster Recovery** tab.
- 4 Near the **Critical Policies** list, click **Add**. An active field appears in the list.
- 5 Click the icon at the far right of the active field to display a list of configured policies. Select a policy to add to the **Critical Policies** list.
- 6 Do any of the following:

To add another policy Click **Add**.

To change a policy Select the policy and click **Change**.

To delete a policy Select the policy and click **Delete**.

- 7 Click **OK** to save the **Critical policies** list and the other settings on the **Disaster Recovery** tab.

## Creating a Vault policy

A Vault policy differs from other policies in the following respects:

- **Vault** must be specified as the policy type.
- No clients are specified in Vault policies, so the **Clients** tab does not appear.
- In the **Backup Selections** list, a Vault command is specified instead of files.

To create a Vault policy

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 On the **Actions** menu, click **New > Policy**.
- 3 Type a unique name for the new policy in the **Add a New Policy** dialog box. Click **OK**.
- 4 On the **Attributes** tab, select **Vault** as the policy type.
- 5 On the **Schedules** tab, click **New** to create a new schedule. The type of backup defaults to **Automatic**.  
 The **Clients** tab does not appear for Vault policy types.
- 6 Complete the schedule.

## 7 On the **Backup Selections** tab, enter one of two Vault commands:

**vltrun** Use **vltrun** to specify the robot, vault name, and profile for the job. The **vltrun** command accomplishes all the steps necessary to select, copy, and eject media. If the vault profile name is unique, use the following format:

```
vltrun profile_name
```

If the vault profile name is not unique, use the following format:

```
vltrun robot_number/vault_name/profile_name
```

**vlteject** Use the **vlteject** command to eject media or to generate reports for completed Vault sessions. For example:

```
vlteject -eject -report [-vault vault_name  
[-sessionid id]] [-auto y|n] [-eject_delay seconds]
```

Both commands are located in the following directory:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/
```

For more information on Vault names, profile names, and command usage, see the *Vault Administrator's Guide*.

## 8 Click **OK**.

# Performing manual backups

A manual backup is user-initiated and is based on a policy.

A manual backup is useful in the following situations:

- To test a configuration
- To back up a client that missed the regular backup
- To back up a client before new software is installed to preserve the old configuration
- To preserve records before a special event such as a company split or merger
- To back up quarterly or yearly financial information

In some cases, it may be useful to create a policy and schedule that is used only for manual backups. Create a policy for manual backups by creating a policy with

a single schedule that has no backup window. Without a backup window, the policy can never run automatically.

#### To perform a manual backup

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Select the policy name in the middle pane.
- 3 On the **Actions** menu, click **Manual Backup**. (To perform a manual backup, you must enable the **Go into effect at** attribute.)

See [“Go into effect at \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 626.

If the **Go into effect at** attribute is set for a future date and time, the backup does not run.

- 4 In the **Manual Backup** dialog box, select the schedule and the clients that you want to back up.

If you do not select any schedules, NetBackup uses the schedule with the highest retention level. If you do not select any clients, NetBackup backs up all clients.

User schedules do not appear in the schedules list. A user schedule cannot be manually backed up because it does not have a backup selection list (the user selects the files).

- 5 Click **OK** to start the backup.

## Active Directory granular backups and recovery

Administrators can use NetBackup to restore individual objects and attributes in the Active Directory instead of restoring the entire Active Directory.

Administrators can also restore deleted objects (tombstone objects) from the Active Directory.

The following topics describe how to configure a policy to perform recovery of an Active Directory object:

- System requirements necessary to perform Active Directory granular backups and restores.
- How to configure a policy for an Active Directory backup that allows granular restores.
- How to restore individual objects and attributes in the Active Directory.

## System requirements for Active Directory granular NetBackup backups and recovery

Active Directory granular NetBackup restores are supported on the following systems:

- Windows 2003 R2 SP2
- Windows 2008
- Windows 2008 R2

To perform Active Directory granular backups and restores, ensure that you meet the following requirements:

- The master server, the media server, and clients must all have NetBackup 6.5.4 or later installed. And, all must be at the same level.
- The Network File System (NFS) must be installed on the media server and all Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts.  
See [“About installing and configuring Network File System \(NFS\) for Active Directory Granular Recovery”](#) on page 1029.  
See [“About configuring Services for Network File System \(NFS\) on the Windows 2003 R2 SP2 NetBackup media server and NetBackup clients”](#) on page 1038.  
See [“About configuring Services for Network File System \(NFS\) on the Windows 2008 and Windows 2008 R2 NetBackup media server and NetBackup clients”](#) on page 1030.
- The NetBackup Client Service must be configured to log on as an account with domain privileges.  
To perform granular backups and restores of the Active Directory, the NetBackup Legacy Client Service (`bpinetd`) must run under the domain administrator account on the Active Directory domain controller or ADAM server. By default, `bpinetd` runs under the Local System account.

For information on the media server platforms that support Granular Recovery Technology, see the following:

*NetBackup Enterprise Server and Server 7.x OS Software Compatibility List*

## Creating a policy that allows Active Directory granular restores

A NetBackup policy that backs up the Active Directory can be configured to allow the restore of the objects and attributes in the Active Directory. The objects and attributes can be restored locally or remotely without the interruption of restarting the domain controllers where the restore is performed.

The **Active Directory** host properties offer additional configuration options for the backup of Windows Server 2008 computers. Specifically, whether or not NetBackup performs a consistency check if Microsoft Volume Shadow Copy Service (VSS) is used as the snapshot provider.

See [“Active Directory host properties”](#) on page 75.

#### To create a policy to allow Active Directory restores

- 1 Check that the NetBackup Legacy Client Service (`bpineta`) is running under the domain administrator account on the Active Directory domain controller. In this case, the Active Directory domain controller is the NetBackup client.
- 2 In the **Policy** dialog box, on the **Attributes** tab, select **MS-Windows** as the policy type. Specify the other policy attributes as needed.
- 3 Enable the **Enable granular recovery** option. If this option is not enabled, the backup still runs, but the backup cannot produce granular restores.
- 4 In the **Schedules** tab, create schedules as needed.

Other items in the policy may use a differential or cumulative incremental backup type, but the Active Directory items are always fully backed up.

See [“Active Directory backups are full backups”](#) on page 756.

- 5 In the **Backup Selections** tab, open the **Select Directive** dialog.
- 6 For the **Directive set**, select **Windows 2003** or **Windows 2008**.
- 7 To back up the Active Directory, select any one of the following directives:
  - See [“System State:\ directive”](#) on page 738.
  - See [“Shadow Copy Components:\ directive”](#) on page 739.
  - See [“ALL\\_LOCAL\\_DRIVES directive”](#) on page 736.

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**Note: Active Directory Application Mode (ADAM)** is a lightweight directory service that runs as a user service. This directive can be used to back up ADAM data on computers where it is installed. However, it does not back up the Active Directory itself.

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- 8 In the **Clients** tab, select the clients as needed.
- 9 Save the policy.

### Active Directory backups are full backups

Any Active Directory backup is always a NetBackup full backup, whether it is a granular backup or not.



Whenever Active Directory is in a policy's **Backup Selections** list, the Active Directory portion is always fully backed up, even when the backup type is incremental, differential or cumulative. Any other items in the **Backup Selections** list may use a differential or cumulative incremental backup type as indicated. Even though a full backup is forced for an Active Directory backup, normal incremental rules are applied to the non-Active Directory items in the policy file list.

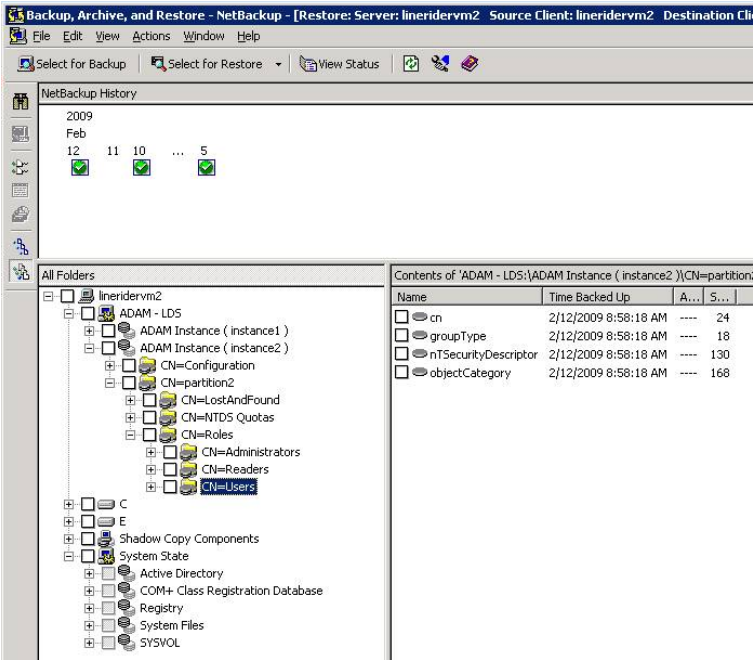
## Restoring Active Directory objects

The following procedure describes how to restore objects from an Active Directory backup in a non-disaster recovery situation:

### To restore individual objects from an Active Directory backup

- 1 Open the NetBackup Backup, Archive, and Restore client interface.
- 2 Select **File > Select Files and Folders to Restore**.
- 3 Expand and browse the **Active Directory** node.

- 4
- Select the objects to be restored. Do not select both granular and non-granular objects. When a user explores and expands selections, a delay can occur during communication with the NetBackup server. The delay is a result of dynamically determining the contents from the image on the media server. The approach prevents the NetBackup catalog from unanticipated growth due to numerous granular entries.



- 5
- Select **Action > Restore**.
- 6
- If an Active Directory object is selected, the **Restore Marked Files** dialog box contains two tabs:
- **General** tab

When an Active Directory object is selected, the **Restore Destination Choices** are disabled in the **General** tab. Configure the other restore options as needed.
- **Active Directory** tab

The **Active Directory** tab contains an option to recreate the objects that have been deleted: **Recreate deleted objects that cannot be restored from the Active Directory Deleted Objects container**.

The **Active Directory** tab contains an option that lets administrators recreate the objects whose tombstone lifetimes have passed. The objects have also been purged from the Active Directory Deleted Objects container. To allow this capability, enable the option labeled **Recreate deleted objects that cannot be restored from the Active Directory Deleted Objects container**.

- 7 Click **Start Restore** in the **Restore Marked Files** dialog box.

Some restore situations require additional steps, depending on what is restored.

See [“Troubleshooting granular restore issues”](#) on page 759.

## Troubleshooting granular restore issues

Some granular restore situations require additional steps to fully restore the objects. In other situations, a granular restore of some part of the Active Directory is not possible.

[Table 15-53](#) describes potential problems for granular restores.

Table 15-53 Troubleshooting restore issues

| Situation                  | Recommendation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Restores that are disabled | <p>When user and computer accounts are restored from a granular Active Directory restore, they are sometimes disabled.</p> <p>The following are possible reasons why the accounts can be disabled:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ When objects in Active Directory are deleted, they are removed from their current Active Directory or ADAM/AD LDS container. They are converted into tombstones and placed in the Active Directory Deleted Objects container where their tombstone lifetime is monitored. By default, NetBackup restores deleted objects from this container if the tombstone lifetime has not passed.</li></ul> <p>After the tombstone lifetime passes, the tombstones are purged from the Active Directory Deleted Objects container. Purging the tombstones has the effect of permanently deleting the objects from the Active Directory and ADAM/AD LDS databases.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ When restoring user objects, you must reset the object's user password and enable the object's user account:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ For Active Directory user objects, use the Microsoft Active Directory Users and Computers application.</li><li>■ For ADAM/AD LDS user objects, use ADSI Edit.</li></ul></li></ul> <p>In Active Directory, computer objects are derived from user objects. Some attributes that are associated with a computer object cannot be restored when you restore a deleted computer object. They can only be restored if the attributes were saved through schema changes when the computer object was originally deleted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Computer object credentials change every 30 days and the credentials from the backup may not match the credentials that are stored on the actual computer. When a computer object is restored it is disabled if the <b>userAccountControl</b> property was not preserved in the deleted object.</li></ul> <p>Use the Microsoft Active Directory Users and Computers application to reset the account of a computer object:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Remove the computer from the domain.</li><li>■ Re-join the computer to the domain. The security identifiers (SID) for the computer remains the same since it is preserved when a computer object is deleted. However, if the tombstone expired and a new computer object was recreated, the SID is different.</li></ul> |

**Table 15-53** Troubleshooting restore issues (*continued*)

| Situation                | Recommendation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Group and member objects | <p>To restore Active Directory group membership links may require that the restore job be run twice.</p> <p>For example, consider the case where a group and its member objects are deleted. If a restore job contains both group objects and member objects, the job restores the objects in alphabetical order. However, the group that is restored has a link dependency on a member that does not exist yet. When the group is restored, the link cannot be restored.</p> <p>Run the restore again to restore all forward and backward links.</p> |
| Group policy objects     | <p>NetBackup does not support granular restores of Group Policy Objects.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |



# Synthetic backups

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About synthetic backups](#)
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- [Synthetic full backups](#)
- [Synthetic cumulative incremental backups](#)
- [Schedules that must appear in a policy for synthetic backups](#)
- [Adding clients to a policy for synthetic backups](#)
- [Change journal and synthesized backups](#)
- [True image restore and synthesized backups](#)
- [Displaying synthetic backups in the Activity Monitor](#)
- [Logs produced during synthetic backups](#)
- [Synthetic backups and directory and file attributes](#)
- [Using the multiple copy synthetic backups method](#)
- [Optimized synthetic backups using OpenStorage](#)
- [Optimized synthetic backups for deduplication](#)

## About synthetic backups

During a traditional full backup, all files are copied from the client to a master server or a media server. The files are copied even though those files may not have changed since the last incremental backup.

When NetBackup creates a synthetic full backup, NetBackup detects whether new or changed files have been copied to the media server during the last incremental backup. The client does not need to be running to combine the full backups and the incremental backups on the media server to form a new, full backup. The new, full synthetic backup is an accurate representation of the clients' file system at the time of the most recent full backup.

Because processing takes place on master and media servers instead of the client, synthetic backups help to reduce the network traffic. Files are transferred over the network only once. After the backup images are combined into a synthetic backup, the tapes or disk that contain the component images can be recycled or reclaimed. Synthetic backups can reduce the number of tapes or disk space in use.

Synthetic backups can be written to tape storage units or disk storage units, or a combination of both. If the backups use tape, the backups can be synthesized when drives are not generally in use. For example, if backups occur primarily at night, the drives can synthesize full backups during the day.

The **Synthetic Backup** option is available under the following conditions:

- The policy type must be either Standard or MS-Windows.
- The **Collect True Image Restore Information With Move Detection** option must be selected on the **Policy Attributes** tab.  
See [“Collect true image restore information \(policy attribute\) with and without move detection”](#) on page 636.
- The schedule that is created for a synthetic backup must have **Synthetic Backup** selected.  
See [“Synthetic backup \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 670.
- One of the following must be available:
  - Disk storage unit(s) with adequate space available.
  - Tape library(s) with multiple drives to read and write.  
See [“Recommendations for synthetic backups and restores”](#) on page 764.
  - A combination of disk storage unit(s) and tape library(s).

## Recommendations for synthetic backups and restores

The synthetic full backup is a scalable solution for backing up remote offices with manageable data volumes and low levels of daily change.

If the clients experience a high rate of change daily, the incremental backups are too large. In this case, a synthetic backup is no more helpful than a traditional full backup.



Synthetic backups are supported on all media server platforms and tier one master server platforms.

The following items describe recommendations to use synthesized backups to full advantage, and situations under which synthesized backups are not supported:

Recommendations concerning backups:

- Do not multiplex any backups that are to be synthesized because it is inefficient. To synthesize multiplexed client images requires multiple passes over the source media—one per client.  
 Performance issues can also occur if multiple streams are selected for synthesized backups. The issues are similar to those encountered while multiplexing synthesized backups. Back up to disk whenever possible to improve multiple stream performance issues.
- Reduce the gap between the last incremental backup and the synthesized backup. Since a synthetic backup does not involve direct contact with the client, a synthetic backup is only as current as the last incremental backup. If there is a concern to reduce a potential gap in backup coverage, run an incremental backup before the synthetic backup.
- The option to create multiple copies is allowed for synthetic backups using the multiple copies synthetic backup method.  
 See [“Using the multiple copy synthetic backups method”](#) on page 773.
- Synthetic backups are not supported if any of the component images are encrypted.
- A user-generated backup cannot be used to generate a synthetic image. A backup that is generated from a User Backup schedule or a User Archive schedule cannot be used as one of the components of a synthetic backup.

Recommendations concerning restores:

- The time that is required to perform a restore from a synthetic backup does not increase significantly over time.
- The restore times for both a complete synthetic backup and for a single file is the same. It is the same whether the restore is from a traditional backup or from a synthetic backup.
- The restore time of a single directory may increase over time when sourced from synthetic backups. The restore time depends on the pattern of file changes within the directory.
- Contrast a traditional full backup, which stores the files in file system order with a synthetic full backup, which stores the files in last-file-accessed order. The synthetic full contains the newest files at the front of the media and the

unchanged files at the end. Over time, the processing order introduces the potential for fragmentation of a single directory across the synthetic full image.

- Note that the scenario is limited to single directory restores. Single file restores and full image restores from synthetic fulls are equal or better than from traditional full backups, as noted in previous bullets.
- If checkpoint restart is indicated for the policy, the backups that are produced with the synthetic backup schedule are not checkpointed. The option is enabled if **Take checkpoints** on the policy Attributes tab is enabled. If the **Take checkpoints** option is enabled for a synthetic backup, the property has no effect.

**Table 16-1** Recommendations when using disk storage or tape storage for synthetic backups

| Storage unit type  | Recommendations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Disk storage units | <p>Disk-based images are more efficient for synthesizing. NetBackup processes the newest component images first in a synthesized backup, followed by sequentially older images. When two or more component images are written to the same tape, the tape movement can be inefficient compared to disk-based images.</p> <p>Synthetic full backups are generated more quickly when built from disk-based incremental backups. If the synthetic full backup is also generated on disk, the run time is even faster. The disk copy then can be duplicated to tape.</p>  |
| Tape storage units | <p>If tape is used instead of disk, the tape for the synthetic image must be different from the tape where the component images reside.</p> <p>The maximum drive usage applies only to the drive that is needed for writing the synthetic backup. If any of the component images reside on tape, an additional drive is needed for reading.</p> <p>If a single tape drive device is used to generate synthetic images, place component images in a hard drive location first. In that way, a synthetic image can be generated with the single tape drive device.</p> |

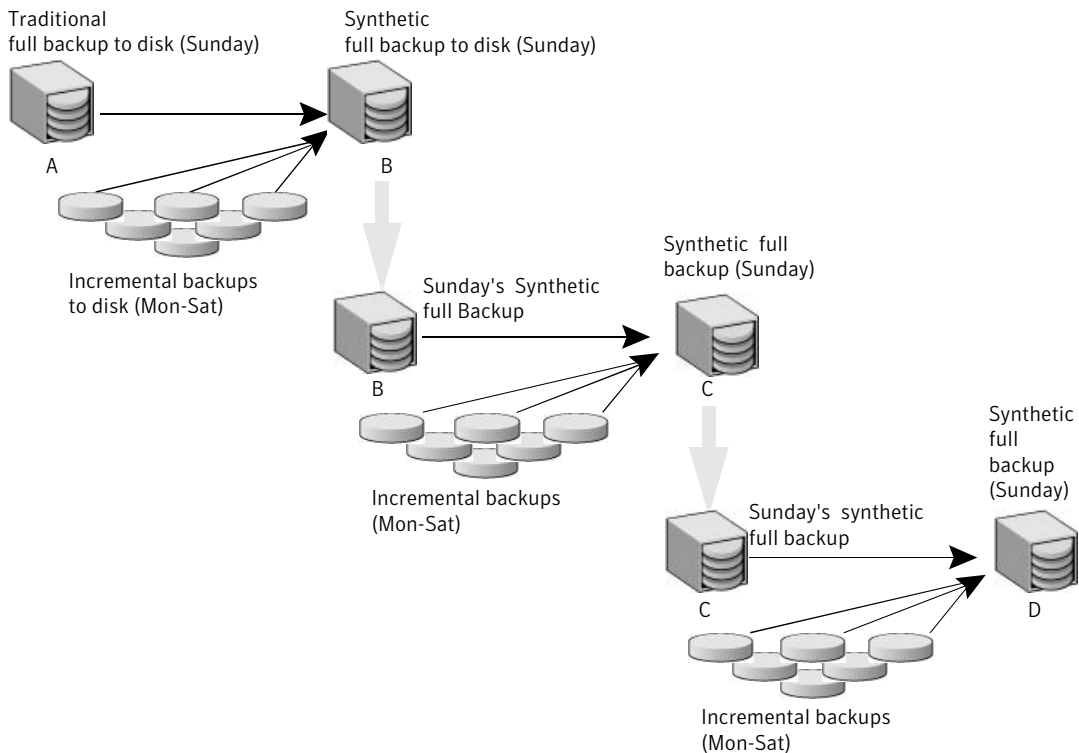
# Synthetic full backups

A synthetic backup can be a synthetic full or a synthetic cumulative backup.

The images that are used to create the synthetic image are known as component images. For instance, the component images in a synthetic full are the previous full image and the subsequent incremental images.

[Figure 16-1](#) illustrates the creation of synthetic full backups (B, C, D) from an existing full backup (A) and shows the incremental backups between full backups.

**Figure 16-1** Creation of synthetic full backups



The traditional full backup (A) and the incremental backups are created in the traditional manner: data is scanned, then copied from the client's file system to the backup media. The synthetic backups do not interact with the client system at all, but are instead synthesized on the media server.

See [“Synthetic cumulative incremental backups”](#) on page 768.

The following is an example of a synthetic full backup:

- Create a Standard or MS-Windows policy for the clients (5.0 or later) you want to back up. Include the following schedules:
  - A schedule for one full, traditional backup to run at least once.

- A schedule for daily (Monday through Saturday) differential incremental backups.
- A schedule for weekly full, synthetic backups.
- Make sure that the traditional full backup runs. If the backup does not complete, run the backup manually.
- Per schedule, run daily, differential incremental backups for the clients throughout the week. The last incremental backup for the week runs on Saturday.
- Per schedule, run synthetic full backups for the clients on subsequent Sundays.

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**Note:** The synthetic full backups in the scenario are only as current as the Saturday incremental backup.

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## Synthetic cumulative incremental backups

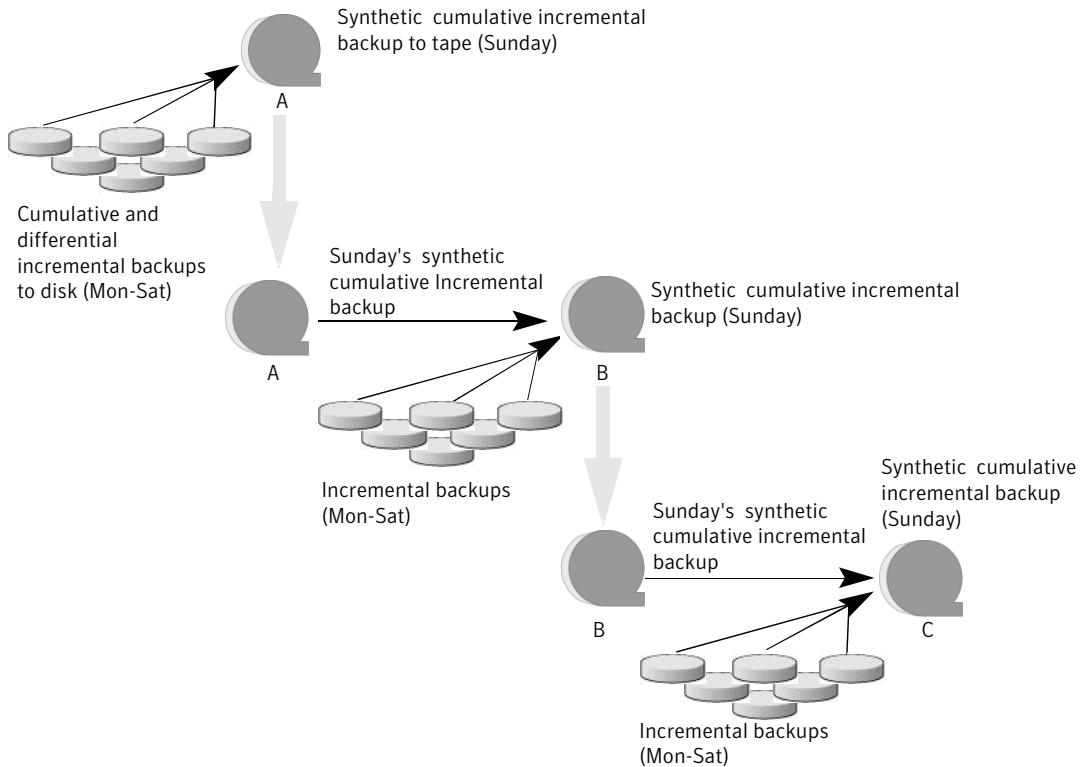
The scenario to create a synthetic, cumulative incremental backup is similar to the scenario to create a synthetic full backup. Remember, a cumulative incremental backup includes all changes since the last full backup.

If a cumulative incremental backup exists that is newer than the last full backup, a synthetic cumulative backup image is produced by consolidating the following component backup images:

- All differential incremental backups that were taken since the last cumulative backup.
- The last cumulative incremental backup. If no cumulative incremental backup is available, only the differential incremental backups are used for the synthetic image.

Figure 16-2 illustrates the creation of synthetic cumulative incremental backups (A, B, C) from the latest cumulative incremental backup and shows the subsequent differential incremental backups.

**Figure 16-2** Creation of synthetic cumulative backups



The following is an example of a synthetic cumulative backup:

- Create a Standard or MS-Windows policy for the clients (5.0 or later) you want to back up. Include the following schedules:
  - A schedule for one full, traditional backup to run at least once.
  - A schedule for daily (Monday through Saturday) differential incremental backups.
  - A schedule for weekly cumulative incremental synthetic backups.
- Make certain that the traditional full backup runs. If the backup does not complete, run the backup manually.
- Per schedule, run daily differential incremental backups for the clients throughout the week. The last incremental for the week runs on Saturday.
- Per schedule, run synthetic cumulative incremental backups for the clients on subsequent Sundays.

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**Note:** The synthetic cumulative backups in the scenario are only as current as the Saturday incremental backup.

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## Schedules that must appear in a policy for synthetic backups

A policy for synthetic backups must contain one of the following types of schedules:

- At least one traditional, full backup must be run successfully to create a full image. The synthetic backup job fails if there is not at least one previous full image.
- Schedule(s) for incremental backups.

Incremental backups are necessary to capture the changes in the file system since the last full or incremental backup. The synthetic backup job receives a status code of 1 for a policy that contains full or incremental synthetic backup schedules, but no incremental backup schedules.

The synthetic backup synthesizes all of the incremental backups to create a new full or cumulative backup image. Therefore, the synthetic backup is only as current as the last incremental backup.

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**Note:** To configure a synthetic cumulative backup for any clients that are archive bit-based (default), use only differential incremental backups for the traditional, non-synthesized backups.

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- One full and one cumulative backup schedule with the **Synthetic Backup** option selected.

See [“Synthetic backup \(schedule attribute\)”](#) on page 670.

## Adding clients to a policy for synthetic backups

After clients are added to a synthetic backup policy, run a traditional, full backup of the policy. A traditional backup is necessary before a synthetic backup can be created.

Since **Collect True Image Restore Information With Move Detection** is required for synthetic backups, all of the clients in the policy must support TIR.

See [“Collect true image restore information \(policy attribute\) with and without move detection”](#) on page 636.

## Change journal and synthesized backups

If this Windows client host property is enabled, the property has no effect when the client is backed up using the synthetic backup schedule.

See [“Client Settings properties for Windows clients”](#) on page 106.

## True image restore and synthesized backups

Since the **Collect true Image restore information with move detection** policy property must be enabled for synthetic backups, all clients that are included in the policy must support TIR.

See [“Collect true image restore information \(policy attribute\) with and without move detection”](#) on page 636.

The **Keep true image restoration (TIR) information** property indicates how long TIR information in the image catalog is kept before it is pruned (removed). The property is located in the master server **Clean-Up** host properties.

See [“Clean-up properties”](#) on page 83.

However, if a synthetic full and synthetic cumulative schedule was defined in the policy, the TIR information is pruned from the component images until a subsequent traditional or synthetic full or cumulative backup image has generated successfully.

Consider a situation where **Keep true image restoration (TIR) information** host specifies that TIR information is pruned from the catalog after two days. On the third day the TIR information is pruned only if a traditional or synthetic full backup image has been generated.

If the TIR information was pruned from a component image and you accidentally expire the most recent synthetic image, rerun the synthetic backup job to restore automatically the TIR information to the catalog. In case the TIR information cannot be restored due to bad, missing, or vaulted media, the synthetic backup job fails with error code 136 (TIR info was pruned from the image file). If the problem is correctable, run the synthetic backup again.

## Displaying synthetic backups in the Activity Monitor

A synthetic job is distinguished from a traditional full backup by the notation that is indicated in the Data Movement field of the Activity Monitor. Synthetic jobs display Synthetic as the Data Movement type while traditional backups display Standard.

## Logs produced during synthetic backups

When a synthetic backup is scheduled, NetBackup starts the `bpsynth` program to manage the synthetic backup process. `bpsynth` plans how the synthetic backup is built from the previous backup images.

If it is needed, `bpsynth` then schedules the tape drive resources that are needed for the synthetic backup. If the required resources are not available, the job fails with a status code that indicates that a resource is needed.

If the resources can be obtained eventually but not immediately, the synthetic job waits until the resources become available. A synthetic job may wait while a backup, restore, or another synthetic backup job uses a drive.

`bpsynth` passes the information to programs `bptm` and `bpdm` so that tape and disk images can be read or written. Catalog information is managed using `bpdbm`. Each of these programs has a debug log file in the logs directory.

If problems occur with synthetic backups, the following debug logs are required to diagnose the problem:

- On the master server: `bpsynth`, `bpdbm`, and the log files located in `/usr/openv/logs` as described in the *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide*.
- On the media server(s): `bptm` (if any tape images), `bpdm` (if any disk images), `bpcd`  
Note that several media servers can be involved if the component images are on different nodes.

However, `bpsynth` is used for each stream or client. To use `bpsynth` can be inefficient with tape images since `bpsynth` needs a tape drive to write the new image. Also, `bpsynth` may use the same component image volumes. One may need to finish before the next can proceed.

## Synthetic backups and directory and file attributes

For a synthetic backup to include directory and the file attribute changes, the change must first be picked up by a component incremental backup. (For example, changes like Access Control Lists (ACLs).)

On UNIX, changing an object's ACL changes the `ctime` (inode change time) for the object but not the `mtime` (data modification time). Since `mtime` triggers incremental backups, the ACL change is not reflected in an incremental backup, and therefore not in a synthetic full backup.

To include ACL changes in backups, enter `USE_CTIME_FOR_INCREMENTALS` in the `bp.conf` file on each UNIX client.



See “[USE\\_CTIME\\_FOR\\_INCREMENTALS bp.conf entry for UNIX clients](#)” on page 304.

For each Windows client, enable **Incrementals:Based on Archive Bit**. The property is found under **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Clients > selected client(s) > Windows Client**.

See “[Client Settings properties for Windows clients](#)” on page 106.

## Using the multiple copy synthetic backups method

The multiple copy synthetic backups method introduces the capability to produce a second copy of a synthetic backup at a remote site as part of a normal synthetic backup job.

This method provides the following benefits:

- It eliminates the bandwidth cost of copying synthetic full backups to another site.  
Instead of duplicating a local synthetic full backup to a remote site to produce a second copy, it is more efficient to produce the second copy by using data movements only at the remote site.
- It provides an efficient method to establish a dual-copy disaster recovery scheme for NetBackup backup images.

[Table 16-2](#) emphasizes how the synthetic full backup produced at the remote site is a clone, or a second copy, of the first copy produced at the local site.

**Table 16-2** Comparing synthetic copy process with and without method enabled

| Step | Without using the multiple copy synthetic backups method:          | Using the multiple copy synthetic backups method: |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | A full backup is performed at the local site (Site A).             | Step 1 remains the same.                          |
| 2    | The full backup is duplicated to the remote site (Site B).         | Step 2 remains the same.                          |
| 3    | An incremental backup is performed at Site A.                      | Step 3 remains the same.                          |
| 4    | The incremental backup is duplicated to Site B.                    | Step 4 remains the same.                          |
| 5    | Steps 3 and 4 are repeated each time an incremental schedule runs. | Step 5 remains the same.                          |
| 6    | A full synthetic backup is produced at Site A.                     | Step 6 remains the same.                          |

Table 16-2

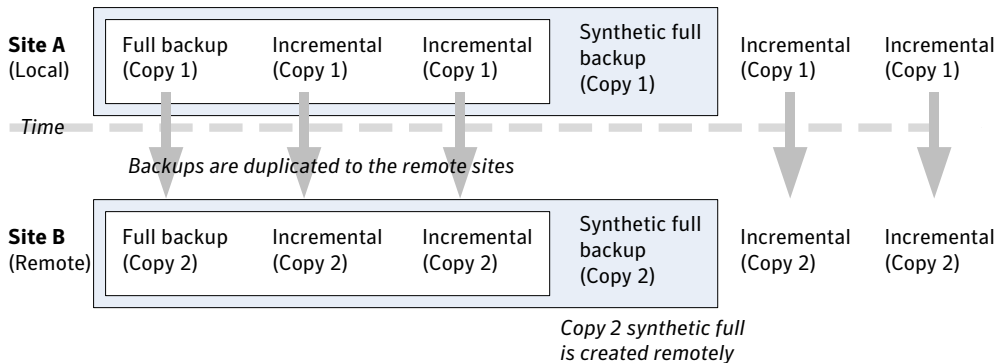
Comparing synthetic copy process with and without method enabled  
(continued)

| Step | Without using the multiple copy synthetic backups method: | Using the multiple copy synthetic backups method:                                                                                                                                    |
|------|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7    | The full backup is duplicated to Site B.                  | A full synthetic backup is produced at Site B from images at Site B.<br><br>The full synthetic backup at the remote site is a second copy of the synthetic backup at the local site. |
| 8    | Steps 2 through 7 repeat per backup scheduling needs.     | Step 8 remains the same.                                                                                                                                                             |

Figure 16-3 shows how no extra bandwidth is used to copy the synthetic full backup from Site A to Site B.

Figure 16-3

Remote creation of synthetic full backup



## Configuring multiple copy synthetic backups

To configure a multiple copy synthetic backup, create a configuration file on the master server for each synthetic backup policy for which a second copy is to be produced.

The configuration file is a text file that is named after the policy and schedule:

```
multi_synth.policy.schedule
```

Create the file in the following location:

```
/usr/openv/netbackup/db/config/multi_synth.policy.schedule
```

## Configuration variables

The file format uses a traditional name-pair scheme for setting configuration preferences. Each preference uses a key name that is separated from the preference value by an equal sign with each name-value pair residing on a single line.

For example:

```
NAME=VALUE
```

Enter all values as integers.

[Table 16-3](#) describes the configuration entries that can be included in the configuration file.

**Table 16-3** Configuration entries

| Entry       | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SRC_COPY    | Specifies the copy number of each source component for the second synthetic backup. Every source backup must have a copy by this number unless SRC_COPY_FALLBACK is specified. The default is 2.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| TARGET_COPY | Specifies the copy number for the second synthetic backup produced. This must be different from the copy number of the first synthetic backup (which is 1). Default is 2.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| COPY        | COPY is an alternate specification for SRC_COPY and TARGET_COPY.<br><br>If COPY is specified and either SRC_COPY and TARGET_COPY is not specified, the value for COPY is used.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| TARGET_STU  | Specifies the storage unit name or storage unit group name where the second copy synthetic backup is to be written. Use the special identifier __ANY__ to indicate that Any Available storage unit can be used that is not configured to be on demand only. Note that there are two underscores before and after ANY:<br><br>TARGET_STU= __ANY__                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| FAIL_MODE   | The second synthetic backup is produced immediately following the first copy synthetic backup if no errors occur during production of the first copy. If an error occurs during the second copy, the FAIL_MODE value specifies the fate of the first copy job and image.<br><br>Specify one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ FAIL_MODE=ALL<br/>ALL means that if the second copy fails, the first copy and its job also fail. (Default.)</li> <li>■ FAIL_MODE=ONE<br/>ONE means that if the second copy fails, the failure does not affect the first copy job.</li> </ul> |

Table 16-3 Configuration entries (continued)

| Entry             | Purpose                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ENABLED           | <p>Specifies whether production of the second copy is enabled or disabled. This entry turns on the feature.</p> <p>Specify one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ ENABLED=YES<br/>Production of the second copy is enabled. (Default.)</li><li>■ ENABLED=NO<br/>Production of the second copy is disabled.</li></ul> |
| SRC_COPY_FALLBACK | <p>Specifies that if a copy by the number given in SRC_COPY or COPY does not exist, the synthetic backup should use the primary backup.</p> <p>The only valid value is the following:</p> <p>SRC_COPY_FALLBACK=PRIMARY</p>                                                                                                                      |
| VOLUME_POOL       | <p>Specifies the volume pool for tape media, if one is used. If no volume pool is specified, NetBackup uses the volume pool that is specified in the policy. If a volume pool is entered for disk, the entry is ignored.</p>                                                                                                                    |

## Configuration examples

The following multiple copy synthetic configuration example takes advantage of default values to produce the second synthetic copy.

```
TARGET_STU=disk_stu
```

The default source of copy 2 and the default destination copy 2.

In this example, the second copy targets a tape library (`tape_stu`). The configuration specifies a volume pool (`Synthetics`) for the target copy.

The copy number for the multiple copy synthetic backup is copy 3. If copy 3 is unavailable, `SOURCE_COPY_FALLBACK` indicates that copy 3 can be produced using the primary copy.

If copy 3 fails, only copy 3 fails and not the job of the primary copy.

```
TARGET_STU=tape_stu
VOLUME_POOL=Synthetics
SOURCE_COPY_FALLBACK=PRIMARY
COPY=3
ENABLED=YES
FAIL_MODE=ONE
```

## Optimized synthetic backups using OpenStorage

NetBackup environments that use the Enterprise Disk license key environment can benefit from the OpenStorage optimized synthetic backup method.

This method constructs the synthetic image by using calls from the media server to the storage server. The media server tells the storage server which full and incremental images to use to create the synthetic backup. Then, the storage server constructs (or synthesizes) the synthetic image directly on the storage server, reducing network traffic.

For more information, see the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

## Optimized synthetic backups for deduplication

NetBackup environments that use the NetBackup Deduplication Option license key environment can benefit from the optimized synthetic backup method.

This method constructs the synthetic image by using calls from the backup server to the storage server. The backup server tells the storage server which full and incremental images to use to create the synthetic backup. Then, the storage server constructs (or synthesizes) the synthetic image directly on the storage server, reducing network traffic.

See the *NetBackup Deduplication Guide* for more information.



# Protecting the NetBackup catalog

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About the NetBackup catalog](#)
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- [Parts of the NetBackup catalog](#)
- [Protecting the NetBackup catalog](#)
- [Recovering the catalog](#)
- [Disaster recovery emails and the disaster recovery file](#)
- [Archiving the catalog](#)
- [Estimating catalog space requirements](#)

## About the NetBackup catalog

A NetBackup catalog is the internal database that contains information about NetBackup backups and configuration. Backup information includes records of the files that have been backed up and the media on which the files are stored. The catalogs also contain information about the media and the storage devices.

Since NetBackup needs the catalog information so that it can restore client backups, configure a catalog backup before using NetBackup for regular client backups. Schedule the catalog backups to occur on a regular basis. Without regular catalog backups, you risk losing regular backups if there is a problem with the disk that contains the catalogs.

## About the catalog upon upgrade to NetBackup 7.5

In previous versions of NetBackup, the image metadata was stored in both the NetBackup database (NBDB) and in flat ASCII files (in the `NetBackup/db/images` directory) for many types of storage units and policies. In NetBackup 7.5, the image metadata is stored only in NBDB, providing performance improvements for restores, policy scheduling, and image cleanups.

Upon upgrade, the image metadata is automatically migrated from the old format to the new format. That is, the image metadata in existing EMM tables is merged with flat files and moved to new DBM tables in `\NetbackupDB\data`.

Storage lifecycle policies cannot begin to perform SLP operations (for example, create snapshots, replications, or duplications) until any pre-7.5 existing images are migrated into the NBDB database.

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**Note:** For the next major NetBackup release, all image metadata must be out of the flat files and in NBDB.

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See the *NetBackup Installation Guide* to view information about the role of the catalog cleanup job in the upgrade process.

## Using the `cat_import` and `cat_export` commands

Use the `cat_export` command to export image metadata from NBDB to flat files. One flat file is created per backup image and appears in the name/value pair format. These commands are used after an upgrade to NetBackup 7.5.

Images are exported to the following directory:

Windows: `Install_path\NetBackup\db.export`

UNIX: `/usr/opensv/netbackup/db.export`

Use the `cat_import` command to insert image metadata into the NetBackup database (NBDB).

The commands are described in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

## Parts of the NetBackup catalog

The NetBackup catalog resides on the NetBackup master server. It manages and controls access to the following types of data:

- Image metadata (information about backup images and copies (image header files))



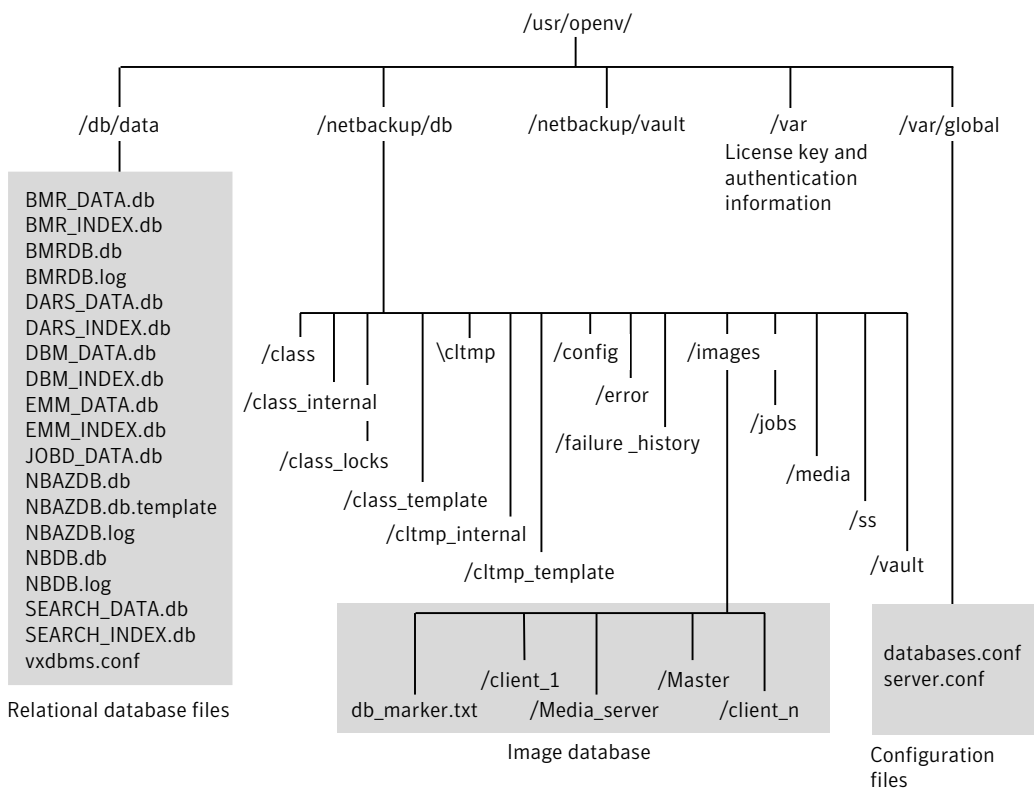
- Backup content data (information about the folders, files, and objects contained in a backup (.f files))
- NetBackup backup policies.
- NetBackup licensing data.
- The NetBackup error log.
- The client database.

[Figure 17-1](#) shows the default files and directories in a NetBackup catalog.

The catalog consists of the following parts:

- Relational database files.  
NetBackup uses the SQL Anywhere Relational Database Management System to store information in the NetBackup database (NBDB). The metadata includes information about the data that has been backed up, and about where the data is stored.  
In previous releases, much of this information was stored in the image database (NetBackup/db/images).  
See [“About the NetBackup relational database”](#) on page 784.
- The image database.  
The image database contains information about the data that has been backed up.  
See [“About the NetBackup image database”](#) on page 782.
- NetBackup configuration files.  
The configuration files (`databases.conf` and `server.conf`) are flat files that contain instructions for the SQL Anywhere daemon.  
See [“About the NetBackup server.conf file”](#) on page 816.  
See [“About the databases.conf file”](#) on page 818.

Figure 17-1 Catalog configuration



## About the NetBackup image database

The image database contains subdirectories for each client that is backed up by NetBackup, including the master server and any media servers.

The image database is located at `/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/images` and contains the following files:

|                |                                                                                                                                 |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Image files    | Files that store only backup set summary information.                                                                           |
| .lck files     | Used to prevent simultaneous updates on images.                                                                                 |
| Image .f files | Used to store the detailed information about each file backup.                                                                  |
| db_marker.txt  | Used to ensure that access to the db directory is valid when the NetBackup Database Manager starts up. Do not delete this file. |

The image database is the largest part of the NetBackup catalog. It consumes about 99% of the total space that is required for the NetBackup catalog. While most of the subdirectories are relatively small in the NetBackup catalogs, `/images` can grow to hundreds of gigabytes. The image database on the master server can grow too large to fit on a single tape. Image database growth depends on the number of clients, policy schedules, and the amount of data that is backed up.

See [“Estimating catalog space requirements”](#) on page 805.

If the image catalog becomes too large for the current location, consider moving it to a file system or disk partition that contains more space.

See [“Moving the image catalog”](#) on page 808.

The image database component of the NetBackup catalog uses the `.f` files in binary format for Windows, Solaris, HP\_UX, AIX, and Linux platforms.

The catalog conversion utility (`cat_convert`) can be used to upgrade an image database to the binary format.

Information about the `cat_convert` command is available in the *NetBackup Commands Guide*.

See [“Estimating catalog space requirements”](#) on page 805.

## About NetBackup image files

Each image file is an ASCII file, generally less than 1 kilobyte in size. An image file contains only backup set summary information. For example, the backup ID, the backup type, the expiration date, fragment information, and disaster recovery information.

## About NetBackup image `.f` files

The binary catalog can contain one or more image `.f` files. This type of file is also referred to as a files-file. The image `.f` file may be large because it contains the detailed backup selection list for each file backup. Generally, image files range in size from 1 kilobyte to 10 gigabytes.

The file layout determines whether the catalog contains one `.f` file or many `.f` files. NetBackup configures the file layout automatically, based on the size of the binary catalog. NetBackup uses one of two layouts: single file layout or multiple file layout.

### ■ Image `.f` file single file layout

NetBackup stores file information in a single image `.f` file if the information for the catalog is less than 4 megabytes.

When the backup file of one catalog backup is less than 4 megabytes, NetBackup stores the information in a single image .f file. The image .f file is always greater than or equal to 72 bytes, but less than 4 megabytes.

The following is an example of an .f file in a single file layout:

```
-rw----- 1 root other 979483 Aug 29 12:23 test_1030638194_FULL.f
```

#### ■ Image .f file multiple file layout

When the file information for one catalog backup is greater than 4 megabytes, the information is stored in multiple .f files: one main image .f file plus nine additional .f files.

Separating the additional .f files from the image .f file and storing the files in the `catstore` directory improves performance while writing to the catalog.

The main image .f file is always exactly 72 bytes.

```
-rw- 1 root other 72 Aug 30 00:40 test_1030680524_INCR.f
-rw- 1 root other 804 Aug 30 00:08 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f-list
-rw- 1 root other 1489728 Aug 30 00:39 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f_imgDir0
-rw- 1 root other 0 Aug 30 00:40 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f_imgExtraObj0
-rw- 1 root other 1280176 Aug 30 00:39 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f_imgFile0
-rw- 1 root other 192 Aug 30 00:40 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f_imgHeader0
-rw- 1 root other 0 Aug 30 00:40 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f_imgNDMP0
-rw- 1 root other 9112680 Aug 30 00:39 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f_imgRecord0
-rw- 1 root other 2111864 Aug 30 00:39 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f_imgStrings0
-rw- 1 root other 11 Aug 30 00:40 catstore/test_1030680524_INCR.f_imgUserGroupNames0
```

## About the NetBackup relational database

NetBackup installs Sybase SQL Anywhere during the master server installation as a private, non-shared server for the NetBackup database. The NetBackup database (NBDB) is also known as the Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) database. It contains information about volumes, and the robots and drives that are in NetBackup storage units.

The same installation of Sybase SQL Anywhere is used for the optionally-licensed product, Bare Metal Restore (BMR) database. The BMRDB database contains the information that the NetBackup Bare Metal Restore option manages. The BMR database is created during the BMR installation process.

As part of the catalog backup, the database and the configuration files for the NBDB database (including the NetBackup Authorization database, NBAZDB) and the BMRDB databases are protected as follows:

#### ■ Database files

- `/usr/opensv/db/data/BMR_DATA.db` (if BMR is installed)
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/BMRDB.db` (if BMR is installed)
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/BMRDB.log` (if BMR is installed)
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/BMR_INDEX.db` (if BMR is installed)
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/DARS_DATA.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/DARS_INDEX.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/DBM_DATA.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/DBM_INDEX.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/EMM_DATA.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/EMM_INDEX.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/JOB_DATA.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/NBAZDB.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/NBAZDB.db.template`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/NBAZDB.log`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/NBDB.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/NBDB.log`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/SEARCH_DATA.db`
- `/usr/opensv/db/data/SEARCH_INDEX.db`

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**Note:** NetBackup does not support saving the NetBackup relational database (NBDB, including NBAZDB and EMM) or the configuration files to a remote file system such as NFS or CIFS.

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#### ■ Configuration files

- `/usr/opensv/db/data/vxdbms.conf`
- `/usr/opensv/var/global/server.conf`
- `/usr/opensv/var/global/databases.conf`

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**Note:** The catalog backup process copies this data to `/usr/opensv/db/staging` and backs up the copy.

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See [“About the NetBackup image database”](#) on page 782.

See [“About the NetBackup relational database \(NBDB\) installation”](#) on page 813.

See [“Post-installation tasks”](#) on page 834.

## About the Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) database

The Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) database contains information about media and the robots and drives that are in NetBackup storage units. The NetBackup Resource Broker queries the EMM database to allocate storage units, drives (including drive paths), and media. The host on which the EMM database resides is called the EMM server.

The EMM database contains the following information:

- Device attributes
- Robotic library and stand-alone drive residence attributes
- NDMP attributes
- Barcode rule attributes
- Volume pool attributes
- Tape attributes
- Media attributes
- Storage unit attributes
- Storage unit group attributes
- Hosts with assigned tape drives
- Media and device errors
- Disk pool and disk volume attributes
- Storage server attributes
- Logon credentials for storage servers, disk arrays, and NDMP hosts
- Fibre Transport attributes

The EMM database ensures consistency between drives, robotic libraries, storage units, media, and volume pools across multiple servers. The EMM database contains information for all media servers that share devices in a multiple server configuration.

The NetBackup scheduling components use the EMM database information to select the server, drive path, and media for jobs. When the device manager `ltid` starts up, it reads device information from the EMM database into a shared memory

segment. Components on the same host communicate by using shared memory IPC or socket protocols. Socket protocols are used between components across multiple hosts. Command line interfaces are available to obtain run-time (shared memory) information and static device configuration information.

See [“About the NetBackup relational database”](#) on page 784.

See [“Moving the NetBackup database from one host to another”](#) on page 844.

## Protecting the NetBackup catalog

In order for NetBackup to restore any file, NetBackup needs information from the catalog to determine where the backup for the file is located. Without a catalog, NetBackup cannot restore data.

Because the catalog plays an integral part in a NetBackup environment, a special type of backup protects the catalog. A catalog backup backs up catalog-specific data as well as produces disaster recovery information.

A catalog backup is configured separately from regular client backups by using the Catalog Backup Wizard. The catalog can be stored on a variety of media.

Configure a catalog backup before you run any regular backups.

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**Note:** If portions of the catalog are relocated, note the changes so that subsequent catalog backups are aware of the locations of all the catalog components. In the event that a catalog recovery is needed, the same alterations must be implemented before the recovery of the catalog.

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**Note:** To perform a catalog backup, the master server and the media server must both be at NetBackup version 7.5.

See the *NetBackup Installation Guide* for information about mixed version support.

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As additional protection for the catalog, consider archiving the catalog.

See [“Archiving the catalog”](#) on page 800.

The *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide* provides helpful setup information to aid in disaster recovery. Since the catalog plays a critical role in the NetBackup environment, much of the information concentrates on catalog considerations.

## About catalog backups

The catalog backup is designed for active environments in which continual backup activity occurs. The catalog backup can be performed while regular backup activity occurs.

The catalog backup is policy-based so it has all of the scheduling flexibility of a regular backup policy. Because the policy allows for incremental backups, catalog backup times for large catalogs can be significantly reduced. For Sybase SQL Anywhere, an incremental backup means a backup of the transaction log only. Transaction logs are managed automatically and truncated after each successful backup.

The catalog lets you recover either the entire catalog or pieces of the catalog. (For example, the databases separately from the image catalog.)

Catalog backups use media from the **CatalogBackup** volume pool only.

The catalog backup performs the following tasks:

- Backs up the catalog while continual client backups are in progress
- Spans multiple tapes for a catalog backup
- Allows for a flexible pool of catalog tapes
- Performs a full or an incremental catalog backup
- Restores the catalog to a different location
- Runs scheduled catalog backups
- Appends to existing data on tape

You can configure a catalog backup by using one of the following methods:

- By using wizards:
  - The Catalog Backup Wizard.  
See [“Using the Catalog Backup Wizard to configure a catalog backup”](#) on page 789.
  - The Policy Configuration Wizard.  
See [“Using the Policy Configuration Wizard to configure a catalog backup”](#) on page 792.

Either wizard automatically includes all the necessary catalog files to include the database files (NBDB, NBAZDB, and BMRDB) and any catalog configuration files (`vxdbs.conf`, `server.conf`, `databases.conf`).

- By creating a backup policy manually and indicating the **NBU-Catalog** policy type.  
See [“Configuring a catalog backup manually”](#) on page 794.



## Using the Catalog Backup Wizard to configure a catalog backup

Catalog backups write only to media in the **CatalogBackup** volume pool. This procedure assumes that a storage device is configured and media is available in the **CatalogBackup** volume pool.

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**Note:** To perform a catalog backup, the master server and the media server must both be at NetBackup version 7.5.

See the *NetBackup Installation Guide* for information about mixed version support.

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### To use the Catalog Backup Wizard to configure a catalog backup

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, click **NetBackup Management**.
- 2 In the right pane, click **Configure the Catalog Backup** to launch the **NetBackup Catalog Backup Wizard**.  
  
Click **Help** within any wizard panel for more information on the wizard settings.
- 3 Click **Next** on the Welcome panel.
- 4 On the **NetBackup Catalog Backup Policy** panel, select a policy from the list of existing catalog backup policies.
- 5 Or, to create a new catalog backup policy, select **Create a new catalog backup policy**. Click **Next**.
- 6 In the **Policy Name and Type** wizard panel, enter the policy name. Notice that **NBU-Catalog** is automatically selected as the policy type.  
  
Type a unique name for the new policy in the **Add a New Policy** dialog box. See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.  
  
Click **Next**.
- 7 On the **Backup Type** wizard panel, select the backup type. The **User Backup** does not apply for NBU-Catalog policies. Click **Next**.

- 8 On the **Rotation** wizard panel, select the rotation schedule. By default, a frequency-based schedule is selected. A frequency-based schedule ensures that the catalog backup has an opportunity to run in busy environments where backup jobs are running.

The selection **After each backup session** refers to a period when no regular backup policy is running.

Catalog backups can be scheduled to run concurrently with other backup types on the master server.

See [“Concurrently running catalog backups with other backups”](#) on page 796.

Click **Next**.

- 9 In the **Start Window** wizard panel, define a window of time during which the catalog backup can start and click **Next**. The scheduled windows (**Off hours**, **Working hours**, **All day**, **Custom**) are preset in the wizard. To change these settings, first complete the wizard. Then, select the policy in the **Policies** utility.

User Window selections are disabled, as regular users (those who are not NetBackup administrators) cannot start catalog backups.

- 10 On the **Catalog Disaster Recovery File** wizard panel, enter the path where each disaster recovery image file can be saved on disk. The image file contains the disaster recovery information. Enter the logon and password information, if necessary.

Symantec recommends that you save the image file to a network share or a removable device. Do not save the disaster recovery information to the local computer.

Click **Next**.

- 11 Symantec recommends that you configure the NetBackup environment to send the disaster recovery information to a NetBackup administrator. This backup-specific information is sent after every catalog backup.

On the **E-mail Disaster Recovery Information** wizard panel, enter one or more addresses. To send the information to more than one administrator, separate multiple email addresses using a comma as follows:

*email1@domain.com, email2@domain.com*

Make sure that email notification is enabled in your environment.

See [“Disaster recovery emails and the disaster recovery file”](#) on page 799.

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**Note:** The disaster recovery email is not sent to the address that is specified in the **Global Attributes** properties. The **Administrator’s email Address** in the **Global Attributes** properties specifies the addresses where NetBackup sends notifications of scheduled backups or administrator-directed manual backups.

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- 12 The last panel of the **Policy Wizard** describes that once the policy is created, you can make changes in **NetBackup Management > Policies**. Click **Finish** to create the policy.
- 13 The Catalog Backup Wizard resumes, with the new catalog backup policy listed.
- 14 Click **Next** to finish the **Catalog Backup Wizard**.
- 15 The final Catalog Backup Wizard panel displays the total number of catalog backup policies for this master server. Click **Finish** to complete the wizard.
- 16 You may want to add critical policies to the **Critical Policies** list. Specify some policies as critical policies after the **Catalog Backup Wizard** is complete. A policy that is listed on the **Critical Policies** list is considered crucial to the recovery of a site in the event of a disaster.

See [“Adding policies to the Critical Policies list of a catalog backup policy”](#) on page 751.

The NetBackup **Disaster Recovery** report lists the media that is used for backups of critical policies. The report lists the media for only incremental and full backup schedules, so critical policies should use only incremental or full backup schedules.

See [“Strategies that ensure successful NetBackup catalog backups”](#) on page 798.

See [“Determining whether or not a catalog backup succeeded”](#) on page 798.

## Using the Policy Configuration Wizard to configure a catalog backup

Catalog backups write only to media in the **CatalogBackup** volume pool. This procedure assumes that a storage device is configured and media is available in the **CatalogBackup** volume pool.

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**Note:** To perform a catalog backup, the master server and the media server must both be at NetBackup version 7.5.

See the *NetBackup Installation Guide* for information about mixed version support.

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### To use the Policy Configuration Wizard to configure a catalog backup

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, click **NetBackup Management**.
- 2 In the right pane, click **Create a Policy** in the right pane to launch the **Policy Configuration Wizard**.

Click **Help** within any wizard panel for more information on the wizard settings.

- 3 Select the **Files systems, databases, applications** option from the list. Click **Next**.
- 4 In the **Policy Name and Type** wizard panel, enter the policy name. Select **NBU-Catalog** as the policy type.

Click **Next**.

See [“NetBackup naming conventions”](#) on page 957.

- 5 On the **Backup Types** wizard panel, select the backup type. The **User Backup** does not apply for NBU-Catalog policies. Click **Next**.
- 6 On the **Frequency and Retention** wizard panel, select the rotation schedule. By default, a frequency-based schedule is selected. A frequency-based schedule ensures that the catalog backup has an opportunity to run in busy environments where backup jobs are running.

The selection **After each backup session** refers to a period when no regular backup policy is running.

Catalog backups can be scheduled to run concurrently with other backup types on the master server.

See [“Concurrently running catalog backups with other backups”](#) on page 796.

Click **Next**.

- 7 In the **Start Window** wizard panel, define a window of time during which the catalog backup can start and click **Next**. The scheduled windows (**Off hours**, **Working hours**, **All day**, **Custom**) are preset in the wizard. To change these settings, first complete the wizard. Then, select the policy in the **Policies** utility and customize the settings.

User Window selections are disabled, as regular users (those who are not NetBackup administrators) cannot start catalog backups.

- 8 On the **Catalog Disaster Recovery File** wizard panel, enter the path where each disaster recovery image file can be saved on disk. The image file contains the disaster recovery information. Enter the logon and password information, if necessary.

Symantec recommends that you save the image file to a network share or a removable device. Do not save the disaster recovery information to the local computer.

Click **Next**.

- 9 Symantec recommends that you configure the NetBackup environment to send the disaster recovery information to a NetBackup administrator. This backup-specific information is sent after every catalog backup.

To send the information to more than one administrator, separate multiple email addresses using a comma as follows:

*email1@domain.com, email2@domain.com*

Make sure that email notification is enabled in your environment.

See [“Disaster recovery emails and the disaster recovery file”](#) on page 799.

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**Note:** The disaster recovery email is not sent to the address that is specified in the **Global Attributes** properties. The **Administrator’s email Address** in the **Global Attributes** properties specifies the addresses where NetBackup sends notifications of scheduled backups or administrator-directed manual backups.

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- 10 Click **Finish** to complete the wizard.
- 11 You may want to add critical policies to the **Critical Policies** list. Specify some policies as critical policies after the **Policy Configuration Wizard** is complete. A policy that is listed on the **Critical Policies** list is considered crucial to the recovery of a site in the event of a disaster.

See [“Adding policies to the Critical Policies list of a catalog backup policy”](#) on page 751.

The NetBackup **Disaster Recovery** report lists all of the media that is used for backups of critical policies, including the most recent full backup. The report lists the media for only incremental and full backup schedules, so critical policies should use only incremental or full backup schedules.

## Configuring a catalog backup manually

You can configure a catalog backup manually by using the **Policy** utility. This procedure assumes that a storage device is configured and media is available in the **CatalogBackup** volume pool.

### To configure a catalog backup manually

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Select **Actions > New > Policy**.
- 3 Type a unique name for the new policy in the **Add a New Policy** dialog box. Click **OK**.
- 4 On the **Attributes** tab, complete the following entries:
  - **Policy Type**  
Select **NBU-Catalog** as the policy type.
  - **Policy storage**  
For disk storage units, increase the **Maximum Concurrent Jobs** storage unit setting to ensure that the catalog backup can proceed during regular backup activity.

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**Note:** The media server that is used for catalog backups must be at the same NetBackup version as the master server. If your installation contains media servers of various levels, do not select **Any Available** for the destination **Policy Storage Unit**. If media servers are at various version, a media server at a level other than the master server could be selected.

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- Policy volume pool  
NetBackup automatically creates a **CatalogBackup** volume pool that is selected by default only for **NBU-Catalog** policy types.
  - For other policy attribute descriptions, see the following topic:
- 5 Select the **Schedules** tab to set up a schedule for an online catalog backup.  
See [“Concurrently running catalog backups with other backups”](#) on page 796.  
See [“About catalog policy schedules”](#) on page 796.

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**Note:** The Clients tab does not apply to the **NBU-Catalog** policy and does not appear.

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- 6 The **Disaster Recovery** tab appears for **NBU-Catalog** policies only.  
The tab contains information regarding the location of data crucial to disaster recovery:
- Enter the path where each disaster recovery image file can be saved on disk. The image file contains the disaster recovery information. Enter the logon and password information, if necessary.  
Symantec recommends that you save the image file to a network share or a removable device. Do not save the disaster recovery information to the local computer.
- 7 You may want to add critical policies to the **Critical Policies** list. The **Critical Policies** list contains the names of policies that back up critical data. Media that contains critical policy backups is listed on the **NetBackup Disaster Recovery Report** that is generated when the online catalog backup is run. The report lists the media for only incremental and full backup schedules, so critical policies should use only incremental or full backup schedules.  
Click **OK** to save the policy.

## Backing up NetBackup catalogs manually

Catalog backups typically run automatically per the NBU-Catalog policy. However, a catalog backup can be started manually.

A manual catalog backup is useful in the following situations:

- To perform an emergency backup. For example, if the system is scheduled to be moved and you cannot wait for the next scheduled catalog backup.
- If there is only one stand-alone drive and the stand-alone drive is used for catalog backups. In this situation, automatic backups are not convenient. The

catalog backup tape must be inserted before each catalog backup and removed when the backup is done. (The tape swap is necessary because NetBackup does not mix catalog and regular backups on the same tape.)

#### To perform a manual catalog backup

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Select the catalog backup policy you want to run.
- 3 Select **Actions > Manual Backup**.

See [“Performing manual backups”](#) on page 753.

You can also run the `bpbbackup` command from the command line to perform a catalog backup.

More information is available in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

See [“About catalog backups”](#) on page 788.

See [“Configuring a catalog backup manually”](#) on page 794.

## Concurrently running catalog backups with other backups

You can schedule catalog backups to run concurrently with other backup types for the master server.

Make the following adjustments to ensure that the catalog backup can proceed while regular backup activity occurs:

- Set the **Maximum jobs per client** value to greater than one. The property is found in the Global Attributes host properties for the master server.  
See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.
- Increase the **Maximum concurrent jobs** setting on the storage unit where the backups are sent.  
See [“Maximum concurrent jobs storage unit setting”](#) on page 501.

See [“Determining whether or not a catalog backup succeeded”](#) on page 798.

See [“Strategies that ensure successful NetBackup catalog backups”](#) on page 798.

## About catalog policy schedules

When you work with catalog policy schedules, consider the following:

- The schedules that are supported in the online, hot catalog backup policy type are as follows:
  - Full



- Differential incremental (depends on a full schedule)
- Cumulative incremental
- Session-based differential incremental
- Session-based cumulative incremental
- Symantec recommends that only one catalog backup policy be configured.
- The media server that is used for catalog backups must be at the same NetBackup version as the master server.
- The incremental schedule depends on a full schedule.
- The least frequent schedule runs if many schedules are due at the same time.
- One catalog backup policy can contain multiple incremental schedules that are session-based:
  - If one is cumulative and the others are differential, the cumulative runs when the backup session ends.
  - If all are cumulative or all are differential, the first schedule that is found runs when the backup session ends.
- The queued scheduled catalog backup is skipped if a catalog backup job from the same policy is running.
- Session end means that no jobs are running. (This calculation does not include catalog backup jobs.)
- The Vault catalog backup is run whenever triggered from Vault, regardless of whether a catalog backup job is running from the same policy.
- When an online catalog backup is run, it generates three jobs: A parent job, a child job for NetBackup relational database tables, and a child job for catalog images and configuration data. The child jobs contain the actual backed up data. Consider both child jobs to duplicate, verify, or expire the backup.

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**Note:** Additional child catalog jobs are created for the BMR database if a remote EMM server is configured.

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See [“About catalog backups”](#) on page 788.

## How catalog incrementals and standard backups interact

An online, hot catalog backup policy can include both full catalog backups and incremental catalog backups. However, incremental catalog backups differ from incremental standard backups. Hot catalog backups use both `mtime` and `ctime` to

identify changed data. Standard incremental backups use only `mtime` to identify changed data.

Because of this difference, running a standard policy type backup that includes the `/usr/openv/netbackup/db/images/` directory can adversely affect incremental hot catalog backups. When standard backups run, they reset the file access time (`atime`). In turn, the reset changes the `ctime` for files and directories. If an incremental catalog backup runs, it sees that the `ctime` has changed and backs up the files. The backup may be unnecessary since the files may not have changed since the last catalog backup.

To avoid additional processing during hot catalog backups, Symantec recommends the following:

If incremental hot catalog backups are configured, exclude the NetBackup `/usr/openv/netbackup/db/images/` directory from standard backups.

To exclude that directory, create a `/usr/openv/netbackup/exclude_list` file on the master server.

See [“About catalog backups”](#) on page 788.

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

## Determining whether or not a catalog backup succeeded

The All Log Entries, Problems, and Media Log reports, available from the Reports utility, provide information on NetBackup catalog backups. In addition, you can use email.

An email message is sent to the address that is indicated in the **Disaster Recovery** settings for a catalog backup.

Configure this email with the `mail_dr_info` script.

See the *Administrator's Guide, Volume II* for more information on setting up this script.

See [“Strategies that ensure successful NetBackup catalog backups”](#) on page 798.

## Strategies that ensure successful NetBackup catalog backups

Use the following strategies to ensure successful catalog backups:

- Use only the methods that are described in this chapter to back up the catalogs. The methods that are described here are the only operations that can track all relevant NetBackup activities and ensure consistency between the catalog files.

- Back up the catalogs often. If catalog backup files are lost, the changes that were made between the last catalog backup and the time of the disk crash are lost.
- Never manually compress the catalogs or NetBackup may be unable to restore the catalogs using `bprecover`.
- If you back up your catalogs to disk (not recommended), always back up to a different disk than where the catalog files reside. If you back up the catalog to the disk where the actual catalog resides, both catalog backups are lost if the backup disk fails. Recovering the catalog is much more difficult. Also, ensure that the disk has enough space for the catalogs. Backups to a full disk fail.
- The NetBackup binary image catalog is sensitive to the location of the catalog. Storing the catalog on a remote file system may have critical performance issues for catalog backups. NetBackup does not support saving catalogs to a remote file system such as NFS or CIFS.

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**Note:** The catalog backup tape must be removed when the backup is finished or regular backups cannot proceed. NetBackup does not mix catalog and regular backups on the same tape.

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See [“About the NetBackup catalog”](#) on page 779.

## Recovering the catalog

Catalog recovery is discussed in the *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide*.

## Disaster recovery emails and the disaster recovery file

The **Catalog Backup Wizard** and the **Policy Configuration Wizard** prompt you to send the disaster recovery information to an email address. If the catalog backup is configured manually using the **Policy** utility, this information appears on the **Disaster Recovery** tab.

The disaster recovery email and the accompanying attachment that is sent contain the following important items for a successful catalog recovery:

- A list of the media that contains the catalog backup
- A list of critical policies.

- Instructions for recovering the catalog
- The image file as an attachment.

If a catalog backup policy included both full backups and incremental backups, the attached image file can be a full or an incremental catalog backup.

Recovering from an incremental catalog backup completely recovers the entire catalog if the **Automatically recover the entire NetBackup catalog** option is selected on the wizard panel. The entire catalog is recovered because the incremental catalog backup references information from the last full backup. You do not need to recover the last full catalog backup before you recover the subsequent incremental backups.

## Archiving the catalog

The catalog archiving feature helps administrators solve the kinds of problems that large amounts of catalog data can pose: large catalogs require a greater amount of disk space and can be time-consuming to back up. Catalog archiving reduces the size of online catalog data by relocating the large catalog .f files to secondary storage. NetBackup administration continues to require regularly scheduled catalog backups, but the backups are faster without the large amount of online catalog data.

Catalog archiving is available on both UNIX and Windows platforms.

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**Note:** When you consider whether to archive the .f files, note that additional time is required to mount the tape and perform the restore.

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Catalog archiving operations must be performed when NetBackup is in an inactive state (no jobs are running).

### To archive the catalog

- 1 Create a policy named **catarc** to reflect that the purpose of the schedule is for catalog archiving.

See [“Creating a catalog archiving policy”](#) on page 801.

- 2 Run `bpcatlist` to display images available for archiving.

Running `bpcatlist` alone does not modify any catalog images. Only when the `bpcatlist` output is piped to `bpcatarc` and `bpcatrm` are the images modified and the image .f files removed.

- 3 Determine the images that were previously archived by running:

```
/usr/openv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpcatlist -online
```

The command returns the following message if catalog archiving was not performed previously: No entity was found.

- 4 Once the `bpcatlist` output correctly lists all the images to be archived, pipe the output through `bpcatarc` and `bpcatrm`. For example:

```
bpcatlist -client all -before Jan 1 2011 | bpcatarc | bpcatrm
```

The command waits until the backup completes successfully before the command returns the prompt. An error is reported if the catalog archive fails.

The Activity Monitor displays a Job ID for the job. The File List for the job (double-click the job in the Activity Monitor) displays a list of image files that were processed. When the job completes with a status 0, `bpcatrm` removes the corresponding `.f` files. If the job fails, no catalog `.f` files are removed.

- 5 Restore the catalog archive by doing the following:

- Use `bpcatlist` to list the files that need to be restored.
- After the `bpcatlist` command displays the proper files to restore, run `bpcatres` to restore the actual files.

To restore all the archived files from step 2, run the following command:

```
bpcatlist -client all -before Jan 1 2011 | bpcatres
```

This command restores all the catalog archive files before Jan 1, 2011.

See [“Catalog archiving commands”](#) on page 802.

## Creating a catalog archiving policy

The catalog archiving feature requires the presence of a policy named **catarc** before the catalog archiving commands can run properly. The policy can be reused for catalog archiving.

### To create a catalog archiving policy

- 1 Create a new policy and name it **catarc**. The **catarc** policy waits until `bpcatarc` can activate it. Users do not run this policy. Instead, `bpcatarc` activates this special policy to perform a catalog backup job, then deactivates the policy after the job is done.
- 2 Set the backup type on the **Attributes** tab. The type of backup that is indicated for the catalog archive policy must be **User Backup**.  
If Vault is used, the files are duplicated and vaulted similarly to other backups.
- 3 Deactivate the catalog archive policy by clearing the **Go into effect at** field on the **Attributes** tab of the Policy dialog.
- 4 Set the retention level of the catalog archive for a time at least as long as the longest retention period of the backups being archived. Data can be lost if the retention level of the catalog archive is not long enough.  
You may find it useful to set up, then designate a special retention level for catalog archive images.
- 5 Set a schedule for **catarc**. The schedule for **catarc** must include in its window the time `bpcatarc` command is run. If the `bpcatarc` command is run outside of the schedule that is indicated in `catarc`, the operation fails.
- 6 On the **Backup Selections** tab, browse to the directory where catalog backup images are placed:  
  
`/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/images`
- 7 On the **Clients** tab, enter the name of the master server.
- 8 Save the policy.

## Catalog archiving commands

The catalog archiving option relies on three commands to designate a list of catalog `.f` files, then archive the files. A fourth command, `bpcatres`, is used to restore the files if necessary.

Catalog archiving uses the following commands.

Table 17-1 Catalog archiving commands

| Command   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| bpcatlist | <p>The <code>bpcatlist</code> command queries the catalog data. Then, <code>bpcatlist</code> lists the portions of the catalog that are based on selected parameters. For example, date, client, policy, schedule name, backup ID, the age of the backup image, or the date range of the backup image. <code>bpcatlist</code> outputs the formatted image summary information of matched images to standard output.</p> <p>The other catalog archiving commands, <code>bpcatarc</code>, <code>bpcatrm</code>, and <code>bpcatres</code>, all depend on input from <code>bpcatlist</code> by a piped command.</p> <p>For example, to archive (backup and delete) all of the <code>.f</code> files that were created before January 1, 2010, the following would be entered:</p> <pre># bpcatlist -client all -before Jan 1 2011   bpcatarc   bpcatrm</pre> <p><code>bpcatlist</code> is also used to provide status information.</p> <p>For each catalog, it lists the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Backup ID (<b>Backupid</b>)</li> <li>■ Backup date (<b>Backup Date</b>)</li> <li>■ Catalog archive ID (<b>catarcid</b>). After one <code>.f</code> file is successfully backed up, a catalog archive ID is entered into the <b>catarcid</b> field in the image file. This field is zero if the image was never archived.</li> <li>■ Archived status (S), indicating if the catalog was not archived (1) or was archived (2)</li> <li>■ Compressed status (C), indicating if the catalog is not compressed (0) or compressed (1)</li> <li>■ Catalog file name (Files file)</li> </ul> <p>The following is an example of the <code>bpcatlist</code> output, showing all of the backups for client alpha since October 23:</p> <pre># bpcatlist -client alpha -since Oct 23 Backupid      Backup Date      ...Catarcid  S C Files file alpha_0972380832 Oct 24 10:47:12 2010 ... 973187218 1 0 alpha_0972380832_UBAK. alpha_0972336776 Oct 23 22:32:56 2010 ... 973187218 1 0 alpha_0972336776_FULL. alpha_0972327197 Oct 23 19:53:17 2010 ... 973187218 1 0 alpha_0972327197_UBAK.</pre> <p>More information is available in the <i>NetBackup Commands Reference Guide</i>.</p> |
| bpcatarc  | <p>The <code>bpcatarc</code> command reads the output from <code>bpcatlist</code> and backs up the selected list of <code>.f</code> files. After one <code>.f</code> file is successfully backed up, a catalog archive ID is entered into the <b>catarcid</b> field in the image file. For archiving of the <code>.f</code> files to proceed, a policy by the name of <b>catarc</b> is required. The policy is based on a <b>User Backup</b> type schedule. The schedule for <b>catarc</b> must include in its window the time <code>bpcatarc</code> command is run.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Creating a catalog archiving policy</a>” on page 801.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

Table 17-1      Catalog archiving commands *(continued)*

| Command  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| bpcatrm  | <p>The <code>bpcatrm</code> command reads the output from <code>bpcatlist</code> or <code>bpcatarc</code>. If the image file has valid <b>catarcid</b> entries, <code>bpcatrm</code> deletes selected image .f files from the online catalog.</p> <p><code>bpcatrm</code> does not remove one .f file unless the file has been previously backed up using the <b>catarc</b> policy.</p> |
| bpcatres | <p>Use the <code>bpcatres</code> command to restore the catalog. The <code>bpcatres</code> command reads the output from <code>bpcatlist</code> and restores selected archived .f files to the catalog. For example:</p> <pre># bpcatlist -client all -before Jan 1 2011   bpcatres</pre>                                                                                               |

When to catalog archive

- Consider the following items before catalog archiving:
- Perform catalog archiving operations when NetBackup is in an inactive state (no jobs are running).
  - To ensure that catalog backup images are not on the same tapes as user backups, create a separate media pool for catalog archives.
  - You may find it useful to set up and then designate, a special retention level for catalog archive images.  
To specify retention levels, go to **Host Properties > Master Server > Retention Periods**.  
See [“Retention Periods properties”](#) on page 203.

Extracting images from the catalog archives

- The situation may arise in which a storage provider needs to extract all of a specific client’s records. The storage provider can extract the customer images from the catalog archive by creating the archives that are based on client name.
- To extract images from the catalog archives based on a specific client**
- 1 Create a volume pool for the client.
  - 2 Create a catalog archiving policy. Indicate the volume pool for that client in the **Attributes** tab.



- 3 Run `bpcatlist` so only the `.f` files from that client are listed. For example:

```
bpcatlist -client clientname | bpcatarc | bpcatrm
```

- 4 If you do not want to write more images to the client's volume pool, change the volume pool before you run another archiving catalog.

## Estimating catalog space requirements

NetBackup requires disk space to store its error logs and information about the files it backs up.

The disk space that NetBackup needs varies according to the following factors:

- Number of files to be backed up
- Frequency of full and incremental backups
- Number of user backups and archives
- Retention period of backups
- Average length of full path of files
- File information (such as owner permissions)
- Average amount of error log information existing at any given time
- Whether you have enabled the database compression option.

### To estimate the disk space that is required for a catalog backup

- 1 Estimate the maximum number of files that each schedule for each policy backs up during a single backup of all its clients.
- 2 Determine the frequency and the retention period of the full and the incremental backups for each policy.

- 3 Use the information from steps 1 and 2 to calculate the maximum number of files that exist at any given time.

For example:

Assume that you schedule full backups to occur every seven days. The full backups have a retention period of four weeks. Differential incremental backups are scheduled to run daily and have a retention period of one week.

The number of file paths you must allow space for is four times the number of files in a full backup. Add to that number one week's worth of incremental backups.

The following formula expresses the maximum number of files that can exist for each type of backup (daily or weekly, for example):

Files per Backup × Backups per Retention Period = Max Files

For example:

A daily differential incremental schedule backs up 1200 files and the retention period for the backup is seven days. Given this information, the maximum number of files that can exist at one time are the following:

$$1200 \times 7 \text{ days} = 8400$$

A weekly full backup schedule backs up 3000 files. The retention period is four weeks. The maximum number of files that can exist at one time are the following:

$$3000 \times 4 \text{ weeks} = 12,000$$

Obtain the total for a server by adding the maximum files for all the schedules together. Add the separate totals to get the maximum number of files that can exist at one time. For example, 20,400.

For the policies that collect true image restore information, an incremental backup collects catalog information on all files (as if it were a full backup). This changes the calculation in the example: the incremental changes from  $1200 \times 7 = 8400$  to  $3000 \times 7 = 21,000$ . After 12,000 is added for the full backups, the total for the two schedules is 33,000 rather than 20,400.

- 4 Obtain the number of bytes by multiplying the number of files by the average number of bytes per file record.

If you are unsure of the average number of bytes per file record, use 132. The results from the examples in step 3 yield:

$$(8400 \times 132) + (12,000 \times 132) = 2692800 \text{ bytes (or about 2630 kilobytes)}$$

- 5 Add between 10 megabytes to 15 megabytes to the total sum that was calculated in step 4. The additional megabytes account for the average space that is required for the error logs. Increase the value if you anticipate problems.
- 6 Allocate space so all the data remains in a single partition.

## NetBackup file size considerations

File system limitations include the following:

- Some UNIX systems have a large file support flag. Turn on the flag to enable large file support. For example, AIX disables large file support by default, so the file size limit is 2 GB.
- For UNIX systems, set the file size limit for the root user account to unlimited to support large file support.

See [“Estimating catalog space requirements”](#) on page 805.

See [“Strategies that ensure successful NetBackup catalog backups”](#) on page 798.

## About the binary catalog format

The catalog in a binary file format has several advantages over the catalog in a text format:

- The catalog is more compact. The binary representations of numbers, dates, and other information, takes up less disk space than the text representations.
- The catalog is much faster to browse and search, especially for large file sizes.
- The catalog supports alternate backup methods without the need to post-process images, which improve catalog performance for alternate backup methods.

The following points describe size the limitations that are associated with the binary catalog:

- The maximum number of files that can be backed up per image:  
 $(2^{31}) - 1$  files = 2,147,483,647 files = 7FFFFFFF files
- The maximum number of different user IDs and group IDs (combined):  
 $(2^{31}) - 1$  IDs = 2,147,483,647 IDs = 7FFFFFFF IDs

See [“About NetBackup image .f files”](#) on page 783.

## Moving the image catalog

An image catalog may become too large for its current location. Consider moving the image catalog to a file system or disk partition that contains more available space.

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**Note:** NetBackup does not support saving the catalog to a remote file system. Therefore, Symantec advises against moving the image catalog to a remote file system such as NFS or CIFS.

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**Note:** NetBackup only supports moving the image catalog to a different file system or disk partition. It does not support moving the other subdirectories that make up the entire NetBackup catalog. For example, do not move `/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/error`. The catalog backup only follows the symbolic link when backing up the `/images` directory. So, if symbolic links are used for other parts of the NetBackup catalog, the files in those parts are not included in the catalog backup.

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### To move the image catalog

- 1 Check that no backups are in progress by running:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bpps
```

- 2 Stop `bprd` by running:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bprdreq -terminate
```

- 3 Stop `bpdbm` by running:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bpdbm -terminate
```

- 4 Create the directory in the new file system. For example:

```
mkdir /disk3/netbackup/db/images
```

- 5 Move the image catalog to the new location in the other file system.

- 6 Create a symbolic link from `/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/images` to the new location in the other file system.

See [“NetBackup file size considerations”](#) on page 807.

## About image catalog compression

The image catalog contains information about all client backups. It is accessed any time a user lists or restores files. NetBackup lets you compress all portions

of the catalog or only older portions of the catalog. No method selectively compresses image-catalog files other than by age.

Control image-catalog compression by setting the Global Attributes property, **Compress Catalog Interval**. Use this property to specify how old the backup information must be before it is compressed. Specify the number of days to defer compression information, thus users who restore files from recent backups are unaffected. By default, **Compress Catalog Interval** is set to 0 and image compression is not enabled.

See “[Global Attributes properties](#)” on page 145.

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**Note:** Symantec discourages manually compressing or decompressing catalog backups using `bpimage -[de]compress` or any other method. Manually compressing or decompressing a catalog backup while any backup (regular or catalog) is running results in inconsistent image-catalog entries. When users list and restore files, the results can be incorrect.

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If you choose to compress the image catalog, NetBackup uses the `compress` command on the server to perform compression after each backup session. It does not make a difference to NetBackup if the backup session was successful. The operation occurs while NetBackup expires backups and before it runs the `session_notify` script and the backup of the NetBackup catalogs.

The time to perform compression depends on the server speed and the number and size of the files being compressed. Files are compressed serially, and temporary working space is required in the same partition.

When numerous compressed image-catalog files must be processed, the backup session is extended until compression is complete. The additional backup time is especially noticeable the first time you perform the compression. To minimize the effect of the initial sessions, consider compressing the files in stages. For example, begin by compressing the records for the backups older than 120 days. Continue to reduce the number of days over a period of time until you reach a comfortable setting.

Compressing the image catalog accomplishes the following objectives:

- Reduces greatly the disk space that is consumed.
- Reduces the media that is required to back up the catalog.

The amount of space that is reclaimed varies with the types of backups you perform. Full backups result in a larger percentage of catalog compression than incremental backups. Normally, more data is duplicated in a catalog file for a full backup. Using catalog compression, a reduction of 80% is possible.

This reduction in disk space and media requirements is achieved at the expense of performance when a user lists or restores files. Since the information is uncompressed at each reference, performance degradation is in direct proportion to the number and size of compressed files that are referenced. If the restore requires numerous catalog files to be uncompressed, increase the timeout value that is associated with list requests.

Change the timeout value by changing the `LIST_FILES_TIMEOUT` option in the `bp.conf` file of the client.

## Uncompressing the NetBackup catalog

You may find it necessary to uncompress all records temporarily that are associated with an individual client. Uncompress the records if you anticipate large or numerous restore requests, for example.

Perform the following steps as root on the master server to uncompress the NetBackup catalog.

### To uncompress the NetBackup catalog

- 1 Verify that the partition where the image catalog resides has enough space to uncompress the client's image records.
- 2 Stop the request daemon, `bprd`, by running:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bprdreq -terminate
```

- 3 Make sure that `bpdbm` is running:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bpps
```

- 4 Expand **Host Properties > Master Servers**. Open the properties of a host. On the **Global Attributes** properties, clear the **Compress Catalog Interval** check box.

See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

- 5 Set the **Compress Catalog Interval** Global Attributes property to 0.
- 6 Change your working directory to `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin` and run the command:

```
admincmd/bpimage -decompress -client name
```

- 7 Restart the request daemon, `bprd`, by running:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/initbprd
```

- 8 Perform the file restorations from the client.
- 9 Set the **Compress Catalog After** Global Attributes property to its previous value.

The records that were uncompressed for this client are compressed after the next backup schedule.

See [“About image catalog compression”](#) on page 808.





# About the NetBackup relational database

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About the NetBackup relational database \(NBDB\) installation](#)
- [Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility](#)
- [Post-installation tasks](#)
- [About backup and recovery procedures](#)
- [Unloading the NetBackup database](#)
- [Terminating database connections](#)
- [Moving the NetBackup database from one host to another](#)

## About the NetBackup relational database (NBDB) installation

The following information can help you to install and operate the Sybase SQL Anywhere relational database management system.

Generally, the implementation of Sybase SQL Anywhere in the NetBackup catalog is transparent. NetBackup installs Sybase SQL Anywhere during the master server installation as a private, non-shared server for the NetBackup database (NBDB). NBDB contains the NetBackup Authorization database, the Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) data, as well as other NetBackup data that NetBackup services use.

The same installation of Sybase SQL Anywhere is used for the optionally-licensed product, Bare Metal Restore (BMR) and its associated database (BMRDB). The BMR database is created during the BMR installation process.

By default, the NetBackup relational database (NBDB) is installed on the master server. The master server is also the default location for the Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) server. Since EMM is the primary user of NBDB, the NetBackup database always resides on the same computer as the Enterprise Media Manager.

See [“About the Enterprise Media Manager”](#) on page 962.

For performance reasons, the EMM server and the relational database can be moved to another server.

See [“Moving NBDB database files after installation”](#) on page 835.

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**Note:** NetBackup does not support saving the NetBackup relational database (NBDB, including NBAZDB and EMM) to a remote file system such as NFS or CIFS.

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**Note:** On master servers that experience heavy use, the Sybase SQL Anywhere relational database service may require extra space in the directory that contains its temporary files.

This location is indicated by the Sybase SATMP environmental variable. Indicate the temporary directories as follows:

UNIX: `/usr/opensv/tmp/sqlany`

Windows: Use the server's temporary directory as indicated in the registry.

See the Sybase SQL Anywhere documentation for details on setting the variable.

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The following procedure is performed automatically during installation in the order presented. You can also use the same procedure to manually install the database independently.

### Installing the NetBackup database

- 1 As part of the NetBackup master server installation, the SQL Anywhere server is created. The server parameters are set in the `server.conf` file in the following location:

`/usr/opensv/var/global/server.conf`

See [“About the NetBackup server.conf file”](#) on page 816.

- 2 The following entry is added to the `bp.conf` file to set the database location:

`VxDBMS_NB_DATA = /usr/opensv/db/data`

- 3 The VxDBMS configuration file for NetBackup is created. This file requires the read and write permissions of `root`:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/vxdbms.conf
```

- 4 The NetBackup database is created:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/NBDB.db
```

- 5 DBA password is set for the NetBackup database in `vxdbms.conf`:

```
VXDBMS_NB_PASSWORD = encrypted_password
```

- 6 Additional database files are created with contiguous space pre-allocated:

- The NetBackup system database file that is mentioned in the following step:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/NBDB.db
```

- The EMM database files:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/EMM_DATA.db
```

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/EMM_INDEX.db
```

- The authorization database files for NetBackup Access Control:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/NBAZDB.db
```

- The NetBackup transaction log, necessary for recovering the database:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/NBDB.log
```

- The `bpjobd` database file:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/JOBD_DATA.db
```

- 7 The SQL Anywhere accounts and schema are created for each of the NetBackup components that make use of the NetBackup database. (For example, `EMM_MAIN`.)

- 8 The following command initializes the EMM data:

```
/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/tpext
```

See [“About catalog backups”](#) on page 788.

## About NetBackup master server installed directories and files

SQL Anywhere is installed in the following directories:

- `/usr/opensv/var/global`

The files in `/global` can be shared within a cluster.

- `/usr/opensv/db`

The contents of each directory are examined in the following topics.

## Relocating the NetBackup database

The NetBackup database, NBDB, and its associated files, is created on the master server by default. For performance reasons, NBDB can be moved to another host. Symantec recommends that NBDB be on the same host as the EMM server.

The NBDB database files can be moved from their default location in  
`/usr/opensv/db/data`.

See [“Moving NBDB database files after installation”](#) on page 835.

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**Note:** NetBackup does not support saving the NetBackup relational database (NBDB, including NBAZDB and EMM) to a remote file system such as NFS or CIFS.

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**Note:** If Bare Metal Restore is installed, BMRDB must be located on the master server.

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See [“Moving NBDB database files after installation”](#) on page 835.

See [“Moving the NetBackup database from one host to another”](#) on page 844.

See [“About the Move Database menu options”](#) on page 831.

## About the NetBackup server.conf file

Symantec recommends that this file not be edited without assistance from technical support. NetBackup may not start if the `server.conf` file is edited.

The `/usr/opensv/var/global/server.conf` file is read when the SQL Anywhere daemon is started.

The SQL Anywhere daemon gets all configuration information from the `server.conf` file, as follows:

```
-n NB_server_name  
  
-x tcpip(LocalOnly=YES;ServerPort=13785) -gp 4096 -gd DBA -gk DBA  
-gl DBA  
  
-ti 0 -c 100M -ch 1024M -cl 100M -zl -os 1M -m -o  
  
/usr/opensv/db//log/server.log -ud
```

In this example, `server_name` indicates the name of the SQL Anywhere server. Each Sybase server has a unique name. Use the same name that was used during installation. If a fully qualified name was used at that time, use a fully qualified name here.

**Note:** If this name is changed, the Enterprise Media Manager cannot connect to the database.

**Table 18-1** Commands used in the server.conf file

| Command                                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| -x tcpip(LocalOnly=YES;ServerPort=13785) | Indicates what kind of connections are allowed in addition to shared memory. For example, local TCP/IP connections that use port 13785.                                                                                                                                         |
| -gp 4096                                 | Indicates the maximum page size (in bytes) for the database. This parameter is given during database creation.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| -ct+                                     | Indicates that character set translation is used. UTF8 encoding is used.                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| -gd DBA<br>-gk DBA<br>-gl DBA            | Indicates that the DBA user is the account used to start, stop, load, and unload data.                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| -ti 0                                    | Indicates the client idle time that is allowed before shut down. By default, no idle time is allowed, which prevents the database from shutting down.                                                                                                                           |
| -c 100M                                  | Indicates the initial memory that is reserved for caching database pages and other server information. The value may be changed for performance reasons.                                                                                                                        |
| -ch 1024M                                | Indicates the maximum cache size, as a limit to automatic cache growth. The value may be changed for performance reasons.                                                                                                                                                       |
| -cl 100M                                 | Indicates the minimum cache size, as a limit to automatic cache resizing. The value may be changed for performance reasons.                                                                                                                                                     |
| -gn 10                                   | Indicates the number of requests the database server can handle at one time. This parameter limits the number of threads upon startup. The value may be changed for performance reasons.                                                                                        |
| -m                                       | Truncates the transaction log when a checkpoint is done.<br><br>This option provides a way to automatically limit the growth of the transaction log. One can disable it using dbadm (UNIX) or NbDbAdmin.exe (Windows) with change transaction mode option to FULL from PARTIAL. |
| -o /usr/opensv/db/log/server.log         | Indicates the location of server output messages. The messages include start and stop events, checkpoints, error conditions, and cache change size. This log is not managed, but growth is slow.                                                                                |
| -ud                                      | Indicates that the server should run as a daemon.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

Table 18-1            Commands used in the server.conf file (continued)

| Command    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| -ec SIMPLE | Indicates the encryption method. Default: SIMPLE.<br><br>NONE SIMPLE TLS (TLS_TYPE=cipher;[FIPS={Y N}])<br><br>CERTIFICATE=server-identity-filename;<br><br>CERTIFICATE=PASSWORD=password) |

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

About the databases.conf file

The /usr/opensv/var/global/databases.conf configuration file contains the locations of the main database files and the database names for automatic startup when the SQL Anywhere daemon is started. For example, if NBDB and BMRDB are both located on the master server in the default locations, databases.conf contains:

```
"/usr/opensv/db/data/NBAZDB.db" -n NBAZDB  
"/usr/opensv/db/data/NBDB.db" -n NBDB  
"/usr/opensv/db/data/BMRDB.db" -n BMRDB
```

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

About the vxdbms\_env.csh, vxdbms\_env.sh scripts

The scripts vxdbms\_env.csh and vxdbms\_env.sh set-up the SQL Anywhere environment as follows:

- /usr/opensv/db/vxdbms\_env.csh
- /usr/opensv/db/vxdbms\_env.sh

Other scripts and commands use vxdbms\_env.csh and vxdbms\_env.sh.

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

About the bin directory

/usr/opensv/db/bin contains SQL Anywhere commands and NetBackup-specific commands for administrating NBDB and BMRDB:

- dbadm

This file launches the NetBackup Database Administration utility, which provides administrators with a way to more easily perform the tasks based on the `nbdb` commands.

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

■ `create_nbdb`

Used during installation and upgrades to create and upgrade the NetBackup database, NBDB.

■ `nbdb_admin`

Among other things, use `nbdb_admin` to change the DBA and NetBackup account passwords, or to start and stop individual databases.

■ `nbdb_backup`

Use to make an online backup of the SQL Anywhere database files to a file system directory.

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**Note:** Using this command (or the NetBackup Database Administration utility) to restore the NetBackup database can potentially break the consistency between the NetBackup catalog and the database. This loss of consistency can lead to loss of data. Use this command (or the NetBackup Database Administration utility) to restore the NetBackup catalog only as a precautionary measure.

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■ `nbdb_move`

Use to change the location of the SQL Anywhere database files from the default location.

■ `nbdb_ping`

Displays the status of the SQL Anywhere database.

■ `nbdb_restore`

Use to recover from an online backup in a file system directory that was created using `nbdb_backup`.

■ `nbdb_unload`

Use to create a dump of all or part of the NBDB database or the BMRDB database schema and data.

■ `nbdbms_start_server`

Use to start and stop the SQL Anywhere daemon.

■ `nbdb_upgrade`

Used internally to upgrade the NetBackup and BMR databases.

**Note:** Due to performance issues, NetBackup supports database files only on locally attached drives.

The commands are described in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide* and the online Help.

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

## About the content of the NetBackup directories

The following table describes the contents of the NetBackup directories.

**Table 18-2** NetBackup directory contents

| Directory | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| charsets  | The directory <code>/usr/opensv/db/charsets</code> contains SQL Anywhere-specific information.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| lib       | The directory <code>/usr/opensv/db/lib</code> contains all the SQL Anywhere shared libraries. The directory also includes ODBC libraries, used to connect to NBDB and BMRDB.                                                                                                                               |
| log       | The directory <code>/usr/opensv/db/log</code> contains the SQL Anywhere server log file <code>server.log</code> that contains only Sybase logs.                                                                                                                                                            |
| res       | The directory <code>/usr/opensv/db/res</code> contains SQL Anywhere-specific information.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| scripts   | The directory <code>/usr/opensv/db/scripts</code> contains the SQL Anywhere scripts that are used to create the database. The directory also contains NetBackup SQL scripts that are used to create the EMM and other schemas.<br><b>Note:</b> Do not edit the scripts that are located in this directory. |
| staging   | The directory <code>/usr/opensv/db/staging</code> is used as a temporary staging area during online, hot catalog backup, and recovery.                                                                                                                                                                     |
| tix       | The directory <code>/usr/opensv/db/tix</code> contains SQL Anywhere-specific information.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

See [“About the data directory”](#) on page 820.

See [“About the vxdbms\\_env.csh, vxdbms\\_env.sh scripts”](#) on page 818.

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

## About the data directory

`/usr/opensv/db/data` is the default location of the NetBackup database, NBDB, and includes the following files:



- `NBDB.db`  
The main NetBackup database file; considered a **dbspace**.
- `NBDB.log`  
The transaction log for the NetBackup database, necessary for recovery.  
`NBDB.log` is automatically truncated after a successful full or incremental online, hot catalog backup of the SQL Anywhere database.
- `JOBD_DATA.db`  
An additional **dbspace** that contains job records data.
- `NBAZDB.db`  
The NetBackup Authorization database is present whether or not NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) is configured and used.
- `EMM_DATA.db`  
An additional **dbspace** that contains EMM data.
- `EMM_INDEX.db`  
File that enhances the EMM database performance.
- `SEARCH_DATA.db`  
Contains the indexing configuration and the metadata that is created while indexing or placing holds on backup images. This data is required for the NetBackup Search functionality.
- `SEARCH_INDEX.db`  
Contains the indexes that are created in the `SEARCH_DATA` tables.
- `vxdbms.conf`  
File that contains the configuration information specific to the Sybase SQL Anywhere installation:

```
VXDBMS_NB_SERVER = NB_server_name
VXDBMS_NB_PORT = 13785
VXDBMS_NB_DATABASE = NBDB
VXDBMS_AZ_DATABASE = NBAZDB
VXDBMS_BMR_DATABASE = BMRDB
VXDBMS_NB_DATA = /usr/opensv/db/data
VXDBMS_NB_INDEX = /usr/opensv/db/data
VXDBMS_NB_TLOG = /usr/opensv/db/data
VXDBMS_NB_STAGING = /usr/opensv/db/staging
VXDBMS_NB_PASSWORD = encrypted_password
AZ_NB_PASSWORD = encrypted_password
```

The encrypted password that is used to log into the DBA accounts for NBDB, NBAZDB, and BMRDB, and other data accounts is stored in `vxdbms.conf`.

The password is set to a default upon installation (`nbuser`). Symantec recommends that the password is changed after installation.

See [“Changing the database password”](#) on page 834.

If the encryption method was changed from the default (SIMPLE) in the `server.conf` file, change this file to reflect the corresponding encryption method.

- If BMR is installed, the directory also contains: `BMRDB.db`, `BMRDB.log` (transaction log for BMR), `BMR_DATA.db`, `BMR_INDEX.db`

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

See [“About the content of the NetBackup directories”](#) on page 820.

## About the NetBackup configuration entry

The `bp.conf` entry, `VXDBMS_NB_DATA`, is a required entry and is created upon installation. The entry indicates the path to the directory where `NBDB.db`, `NBAZDB.db`, `BMRDB.db`, and the `vxdbs.conf` files are located.

In `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf`:

```
VXDBMS_NB_DATA = /usr/opensv/db/data
```

See [“About the data directory”](#) on page 820.

See [“About the content of the NetBackup directories”](#) on page 820.

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

## Sybase SQL Anywhere server management

Upon startup, the Sybase SQL Anywhere server uses the SQL Anywhere daemon to set the server parameters in the `server.conf` file. Then, the daemon starts the databases that are indicated in the `databases.conf` file.

To start and stop the Sybase SQL Anywhere daemon, use one of the following methods:

- Select `NB_dbsrv` in the Activity Monitor in the **NetBackup Administration Console**.

- From the command line:

- `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.kill_all | bp.start_all`

The Sybase SQL Anywhere daemon is included in the stop command or the start command, which starts and stops all NetBackup daemons.

- `/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdbms_start_server` starts the SQL Anywhere server if no option is specified.

- `/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdbms_start_server -stop -f`  
**Stops the server; -f forces a shutdown with active connections.**
- `/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdbms_start_server -stat`  
**The -stat option tells whether the server is up or down:**  
 SQL Anywhere Server Ping Utility Version 11.0.1.2044 Ping server  
 successful.
- `/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdbms_start_server -h`  
**Use -h to display usage information about the nbdbms\_start\_server.**

Individual databases can be started or stopped, while the SQL Anywhere service continues. To do so, use the NetBackup Database Administration utility or the following commands:

- `nbdb_admin [-start | -stop]`  
**Starts or stops NBDB without shutting down the SQL Anywhere server.**  
**To see whether the database is up, enter `nbdb_ping`.**
- `nbdb_admin [-start | -stop BMRDB]`  
**Starts or stops BMRDB without shutting down the SQL Anywhere server.**  
**To see whether the BMRDB database is up, enter `nbdb_ping -dbn BMRDB`.**

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

See [“Commands for backing up and recovering the relational databases”](#) on page 840.

## Sybase SQL Anywhere and clustered environments

Sybase SQL Anywhere is supported in a clustered environment. Sybase SQL Anywhere failover is included with the NetBackup server failover solution. The software is installed on all computers in the cluster, but the database files are created on a shared disk.

To facilitate the shared files, database and configuration files are installed on a shared drive.

Configuration files are stored in `/usr/opensv/var/global`.

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

See [“About the NetBackup relational database \(NBDB\) installation”](#) on page 813.

# Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility

The NetBackup Database Administration utility is a stand-alone application (dbadm) and is installed in the following location:

```
/usr/opensv/db/bin
```

To use the NetBackup Database Administration utility, you must be an administrator with root user privileges.

When you start the utility, you must enter the DBA password. If you use the default password that was used during NetBackup installation (**nbusql**), you are encouraged to change the password.

Enter **y** to change the password or **n** to proceed without changing the password.

After you log on, the NetBackup Database Administration utility displays the following information about the current database:

**Table 18-3** NetBackup Database Administration utility properties

| Property          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Selected database | The selected database: NBDB or BMRDB                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Status            | The status of the selected database: UP or DOWN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Consistency       | <p>The validation state of the selected database: OK, NOT_OK, or DOWN</p> <p>This information can also be obtained running the following command:</p> <pre>nbdb_admin -validate</pre> <p><b>Note:</b> To perform a full database validation, shut down NetBackup and start only the database service.</p>                                                                                                |
| Space Utilization | Space Utilization is a measure of the amount of used space as a percentage of the file system space allocated for the database. When the NBDB or the BMRDB databases are initially created, extra space is allocated so that contiguous space is available as needed. As a result, a low Space Utilization is a positive indication unless the database is very large and disk space is in short supply. |

The initial screen also displays the following Database Administration main menu:

**Table 18-4** Database Administration main menu options

| Option                                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Select/Restart Database and Change Password | This option displays the menu where you can select a database to start or stop, and to change database passwords.<br>See <a href="#">“About the Select/Restart Database and Change Password menu options”</a> on page 825.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Database Space and Memory Management        | This option displays the menu where you can perform the following actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Generate a database space utilization report</li> <li>■ Reorganize fragmented database objects</li> <li>■ Add free space to the database files</li> <li>■ Modify database server memory cache settings</li> </ul> See <a href="#">“About the Database Space and Memory Management menu options”</a> on page 826. |
| Transaction Log Management                  | This option displays the menu where you can truncate the transaction log of the database. You can also change the database's transaction log mode.<br>See <a href="#">“About the Transaction Log Management menu options”</a> on page 829.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Database Validation Check and Rebuild       | This option displays the menu where you can validate and rebuild the selected database.<br>See <a href="#">“About the Database Validation Check and Rebuild menu options”</a> on page 830.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Move Database                               | This option displays the menu where you can change the location of the database files. You can also split the files into multiple directories.<br>See <a href="#">“About the Move Database menu options”</a> on page 831.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Unload Database                             | This option displays the menu where you can unload either the schema or the schema and data from the database.<br>See <a href="#">“About the Unload Database menu options”</a> on page 832.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Backup and Restore Database                 | This option displays the menu where you can choose the backup and restore options for the database.<br>See <a href="#">“About the Backup and Restore Database menu options”</a> on page 833.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Refresh Database Status                     | This option refreshes the Status, Consistency, and Space Utilization in the main menu.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

Online Help is available from all screens by selecting the **h** option from the main menu.

## About the Select/Restart Database and Change Password menu options

Select this option to display the Select/Restart Database and Change Password menu.

The Select/Restart Database and Change Password menu contains the following options.

**Table 18-5** Select/Restart Database and Change Password options

| Option                  | Description                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NBDB                    | Select NBDB and then view or modify the database using the other dbadm menu options.                                                                                 |
| BMRDB                   | Select BMRDB and then view or modify the database using the other dbadm menu options.                                                                                |
| Start Selected Database | Starts the selected database.                                                                                                                                        |
| Stop Selected Database  | Stops the selected database.                                                                                                                                         |
| Change Password         | Changes the password for the databases. The password is changed for both NBDB and BMRDB, if applicable. Restart the database for the password change to take effect. |

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

## About the Database Space and Memory Management menu options

You can use the Database Space and Memory Management option to perform the following functions:

- To report on database space utilization
- To reorganize fragmented database objects
- To add free space to the database files
- To adjust the database server's memory cache settings

The Database Space and Memory Management menu contains the following options.

**Table 18-6** Database Space and Memory Management options

| Option                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Report on Database Space | Select this option to generate a report on space utilization for the currently selected database.<br><br>The report contains the dbspaces and the physical pathnames of the relational database. For each dbspace, the report displays the name, the amount of free space in KBytes, the file size in KBytes, and the space utilization. The report also displays the transaction log file size and the amount of free space that remains on each of the file systems being used for the database. |

**Table 18-6** Database Space and Memory Management options (*continued*)

| Option              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Database Reorganize | <p>Select this option to reorganize fragmented database tables and indexes.</p> <p>These actions are performed from the Database Reorganize menu as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1) Defragment All<br/>This option automatically determines the database tables and indexes that are fragmented. It then uses the SQL Anywhere REORGANIZE command to defragment the tables and compress the indexes.<br/>The equivalent command is <code>nbdb_admin -reorganize</code>.</li> <li>■ 2) Table Level Defragmentation<br/>This option generates a fragmentation report for each database table. For each table, the report includes the TABLE_NAME, number of ROWS, number of ROW_SEGMENTS, and SEGS_PER_ROW.<br/>In addition, a * displays in the ! column for an individual table if it would be automatically selected for reorganization by the Defragment All option.<br/>A row segment is all or part of one row that is contained on one page. A row may have one or more row segments. The ROW_SEGMENTS value indicates total number of row segments for the table. The SEGS_PER_ROW value shows the average number of segments per row, and indicates whether or not a table is fragmented.<br/>A SEGS_PER_ROW value of 1 is ideal, and any value more than 1 indicates a high degree of fragmentation. For example, a value of 1.5 means that half of the rows are partitioned. See <a href="#">“About fragmentation”</a> on page 829.</li> <li>■ 3) Index Compression<br/>This option generates a fragmentation report for each database index and lets the administrator select individual indexes to be compressed. For each index the report includes the TABLE_NAME, INDEX_NAME, TYPE of index, LEVEL, and DENSITY. The index TYPE is one of the following values: PKEY (primary key), FKEY (foreign key), UI (unique index), UC (unique constraint), NUI (non-unique index).<br/>In addition, a * displays in the ! column for an individual index if it would be automatically selected for reorganization by the Defragment All option.<br/>The LEVEL and DENSITY indicate whether or not an index should be reorganized. The number of levels in the index tree determines the number of I/O operations that are needed to access a row using the index. Indexes with fewer levels are more efficient than indexes with greater numbers of levels. The density is a fraction between 0 and 1 providing an indication of how full each index page is on average.<br/>A LEVEL value of 1 is ideal. An index with a LEVEL value of 4 or more or with a level value of 2 or 3 with a density greater than 0.5 is a good candidate for reorganization.</li> </ul> |

Table 18-6 Database Space and Memory Management options (continued)

| Option                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Add Free Space         | <p>Select this option to add additional free space to individual dbspaces. Additional free space helps to reduce future fragmentation of the database objects that are stored in the database.</p> <p>When the relational database is initially created or rebuilt, 25MB of free space is automatically added to the data and the index dbspaces.</p> <p>A Rebuild eliminates all free space and then adds back what was initially added when the database was created. If you accidentally add too much free space, a Rebuild can be used to eliminate the space.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Adjust Memory Settings | <p>Select this option to view and modify the SQL Anywhere memory cache settings of the relational database server.</p> <p>Changes to these settings affect all of the relational databases that the database server manages, and do not take effect until the database server is restarted.</p> <p>The database cache is an area of memory that the database server uses to store database pages for repeated fast access. The more pages that are accessible in the cache, the fewer times the database server needs to read data from disk. To read data from disk is a slow operation, so the amount of cache available is often a key factor that determines performance. The database cache is automatically resized as needed. The cache grows when the database server can usefully use more, as long as memory is available. The cache shrinks when other applications require cache memory, so that the database server does not unduly affect other applications on the system.</p> <p>Three memory cache settings can be used to control the size of the database cache. These settings are set in the server.conf file. The database server reads the file when it is started. The server.conf file is found in the following locations:</p> <p>On UNIX:</p> <pre>/usr/opensv/var/global</pre> <p>On Windows:</p> <pre>InstallPath\VERITAS\NetBackupDB\conf</pre> <p>Note that if the settings are too large, the database server may not start.</p> <p>The memory cache settings are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Initial (-c option in server.conf)<br/>Sets the initial memory that is reserved for caching database pages and other server information.</li><li>■ Minimum (-cl option in server.conf)<br/>Sets the minimum cache size as a lower limit to automatic cache resizing.</li><li>■ Maximum (-ch option in server.conf)<br/>Sets the maximum cache size as an upper limit to automatic cache growth.</li></ul> |



See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

## About fragmentation

Table fragmentation can impede performance. When rows are not stored contiguously, or if rows are split into more than one page, performance decreases because these rows require additional page accesses.

When an update to a row causes it to grow beyond the originally allocated space, the row is split. The initial row location contains a pointer to another page where the entire row is stored. As more rows are stored on separate pages, more time is required to access the additional pages.

Reorganizing may also reduce the total number of pages that are used to store the table and its indexes. It may reduce the number of levels in an index tree.

Note that the reorganization does not result in a reduction of the total size of the database file.

See [“Estimating catalog space requirements”](#) on page 805.

## About the Transaction Log Management menu options

The Transaction Log Management option lets you truncate the transaction log of the database and change the database’s transaction log mode.

The database's transaction log is used for database recovery. The transaction log for NBDB is NBDB.log. For BMRDB it is BMRDB.log. During a catalog backup, all of the database files are included in the backup. For example, for NBDB, NBDB.db, EMM\_DATA.db, EMM\_INDEX.db, and NBDB.log are included. After these files are backed up, the transaction log is truncated. For a differential catalog backup, only the transaction log (NBDB.log), is included in the backup. To recover from a full and an incremental, all of the database files are restored. The transaction logs are applied one at a time in order.

If the transaction log is truncated outside of the catalog backup process, the next catalog backup must be a full catalog backup. Otherwise, a gap would exist in the transaction logs due to the truncation and an error during catalog recovery would occur. If the transaction log is truncated using this menu, a full catalog backup is forced the next time a scheduled catalog backup policy is due.

The transaction log mode controls when the transaction log is automatically truncated outside of the catalog backup process:

- A transaction log mode of PARTIAL forces a deletion of the transaction log whenever a database checkpoint occurs. The default transaction log mode is PARTIAL.

In PARTIAL mode, the catalog backup must always be a full backup and all incremental schedules are automatically converted to full schedules by NetBackup.

- In FULL mode, the transaction log is only truncated automatically after a successful catalog backup.

Change this parameter based on the available memory size and the database. The Transaction Log Management menu contains the following options.

**Table 18-7** Transaction Log Management menu options

| Option                                    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Truncate the Transaction Log              | <p>Select this option to truncate the transaction log for the currently selected database.</p> <p>If the next scheduled catalog backup is a differential incremental, a backup of all of the relational database files is included.</p> <p>Before NetBackup starts the operation to truncate the transaction log, NetBackup tells you that a full catalog backup must be performed after the transaction log is truncated. You must confirm whether or not to continue.</p>                                                                                                                                                  |
| Toggle Transaction Log Mode               | <p>Select this option to toggle the transaction log mode between FULL and PARTIAL transaction log modes.</p> <p>In PARTIAL mode, all schedules that are used for the catalog backup policies include backups of all of the relational database files. If the mode is changed from full to partial, a warning displays.</p> <p>In FULL mode, the differential incremental schedule includes only the transaction log file.</p> <p>This option affects all databases that the database server manages (NBDB and BMRDB). The database server must be restarted in order for the transaction log mode change to take effect.</p> |
| Change Temporary Directory for Truncation | <p>Select this option to change the directory that is used for transaction log truncation. Make sure that enough space is available for a copy of the existing transaction log before it is truncated.</p> <p>After the transaction log is successfully copied and truncated, the temporary copy is deleted.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

## About the Database Validation Check and Rebuild menu options

The Database Validation Check and Rebuild option lets you validate and rebuild the currently selected database.

The Database Validation Check and Rebuild menu contains the following options.

**Table 18-8** Database Validation Check and Rebuild menu options

| Option              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Standard Validation | <p>This option lets you validate the indexes and keys on all of the tables in the database. Each table is scanned. For each row, a check is made that it exists in the appropriate indexes. The number of rows in the table must match the number of entries in the index.</p> <p>This option is equivalent to the command <code>nbdb_admin -validate</code>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Full Validation     | <p>This option performs the same checks as the Standard Validation option. In addition, Full validation ensures that every row that is referenced in each index exists in the corresponding table. For foreign key indexes, it also ensures that the corresponding row exists in the primary table. This option is equivalent to the command <code>nbdb_admin -validate -full</code>.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> To perform a full database validation, shut down NetBackup and start only the database service.</p> <p>If any validation errors are reported, perform the following tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Shut down NetBackup (all daemons and services).</li> <li>■ Start only the SQL Anywhere database server (<code>NB_dbsrv</code>, the NetBackup Relational Database Manager).</li> <li>■ Repeat the validation check using this tool or the <code>nbdb_admin</code> command line utility.</li> </ul> <p>If validation errors persist, contact Symantec customer support. The administrator may be asked to rebuild the database using the Database Rebuild option or the <code>nbdb_unload</code> command line utility.</p> |
| Database Rebuild    | <p>This option lets you rebuild the database. This menu option is equivalent to the command <code>nbdb_unload -rebuild</code>. A Database Rebuild results in a complete unload and reload of the database. A new database with all of the same options is built in place. A Database Rebuild may be required if Database Validation errors are reported using the Standard or Full Validation options.</p> <p>During a Database Rebuild, all NetBackup operations are suspended.</p> <p>When you select this option, a message appears which recommends that you exit and create a backup using the Backup Database option before you rebuild the database. You then have the choice of whether to continue or not.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the Backup and Restore Database menu options”</a> on page 833.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

## About the Move Database menu options

The Move Database menu options let you change the location of the database files or split the database files into multiple directories. Changing the location may improve performance in the case of large databases. The database files are moved for both NBDB and BMRDB, if present.

**Note:** Due to performance issues, NetBackup supports database files only on locally attached drives.

In addition, the Move Database menu lets you create a mirrored transaction log. The transaction logs (NBDB.log and BMRDB.log) are critical files used to recover the relational databases.

For extra protection, a mirrored transaction log can be used. Create the mirrored log in a different directory from the original log.

The Move Database menu contains the following options.

**Table 18-9** Move Database menu options

| Option                              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Move Data                           | Select this option to change the location of the data dbspaces. Changing the location temporarily suspends NetBackup operations.                                                                                                                                                          |
| Move Index                          | Select this option to change the location of the index dbspaces. Changing the location temporarily suspends NetBackup operations.                                                                                                                                                         |
| Move Transaction Log                | Select this option to change the location of the transaction log. Changing the location temporarily suspends NetBackup operations.                                                                                                                                                        |
| Move/Create Mirrored Log            | Select this option to change the location of the mirrored transaction log. If the mirrored transaction log does not already exist, it is created in the new location. Changing the location temporarily suspends NetBackup operations.                                                    |
| Stop Using Mirrored Transaction Log | This option is displayed only if a mirrored transaction log is used. Select this option to configure the database server so that it stops using a mirrored transaction log. The existing mirrored transaction log file is deleted. This action temporarily suspends NetBackup operations. |

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

## About the Unload Database menu options

The Unload Database menu options let you unload either the schema or the schema and data from the relational database.

A SQL command file is created that can be used to rebuild the database. If the data is also included in the unload, a set of data files in comma-delimited format is created.

The Unload Database menu contains the following options.

**Table 18-10** Unload Database menu options

| Option                                             | Description                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Schema Only                                        | This option lets you unload only the database schema. The schema is unloaded as a file that is named <code>reload.sql</code> in the named directory.    |
| Data and Schema                                    | This option lets you unload both the database schema and the data. The data is unloaded as a set of files. One file is created for each database table. |
| Change Directory option for unloading the database | This option lets you change the directory location for the files that unload options (1) or (2) create.                                                 |

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

## About the Backup and Restore Database menu options

The Backup and Restore Database menu options let you back up the relational database to the specified directory. You can restore from a previously created backup. You can also select either an online or an offline backup. An offline backup causes NetBackup activity to be suspended so do not perform an offline backup when active backups or restores run.

Symantec recommends creating a backup copy of the database files in the following situations:

- Before you move the database.
- Before you rebuild the database.
- Before you add data space.
- Before you add index space.
- Before you modify the transaction logging mode from FULL to PARTIAL.
- Before you truncate the transaction log.

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**Note:** Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility to back up and restore the NetBackup database can potentially break the consistency between the NetBackup catalog and the database. This loss of consistency can lead to loss of data. Use the tool to back up and restore the NetBackup database only as a precautionary measure.

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The Backup and Restore Database menu contains the following options.

Table 18-11 Backup and Restore Database menu options

| Option           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Online Backup    | This option lets you make a copy of the database files while the database is active. Other NetBackup activity is not suspended during this time.                                                                                             |
| Offline Backup   | This option lets you make a copy of the database files with all other NetBackup activity suspended. The database is shut down before the copy is made, and restarted after the copy has completed.                                           |
| Restore Backup   | This option lets you restore from a copy of the database files previously made with either options 1 or 2. The currently running database files are overwritten, and the database is shut down and restarted after the restore is completed. |
| Change Directory | This option lets you change the directory location for the files that backup options (1) or (2) create. This directory is the source of the files for the restore option (3).                                                                |

See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.

## Post-installation tasks

The tasks described in the following topics are optional and can be performed after the initial installation:

- Change the database password.  
See [“Changing the database password”](#) on page 834.
- Move NBDB and BMRDB database files (possibly to tune performance).  
See [“Moving NBDB database files after installation”](#) on page 835.
- Add a mirrored transaction log.  
See [“Adding a mirrored transaction log”](#) on page 836.
- Recreate NBDB.  
See [“Creating the NBDB database manually”](#) on page 837.

## Changing the database password

You can change the DBA and application password at any time. The password is encrypted by using AES-128-CFB and stored in the `vxdbms.conf` file. The permissions for the `vxdbms.conf` file allow only a `root` user to read or write to it.

**Note:** Symantec recommends changing the password after installation.

The default password that is set during installation is `nbu$sql`. This password is used for NBDB and BMRDB and for all DBA and application accounts. (For example, `EMM_MAIN`.)

### To change the database password

- 1 Log on to the server as `root`.
- 2 Use one of the following methods to change the database password:
  - Use the NetBackup Database Administration utility.  
See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.
  - Run the following command to update the `vxdbms.conf` file with the new, encrypted string:

```
/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdb_admin -dba new_password
```

## Moving NBDB database files after installation

In the case of large databases, you can change the location of the database files or split the database files into multiple directories to improve performance.

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**Note:** Due to performance issues, NetBackup supports database files only on locally attached drives.

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**Note:** Run a catalog backup to back up NBDB and BMRDB both before and after moving the database files.

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### To move the NBDB and the BMRDB database files

- 1 Perform a catalog backup.
- 2 Shut down all NetBackup daemons by typing the following command:  

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.kill_all
```
- 3 Start the SQL Anywhere daemon by typing the following command:  

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/nbdbms_start_stop start
```
- 4 Use one of the following methods to move the existing data, index, and transaction log files:
  - Use the NetBackup Database Administration utility.  
See [“About the Move Database menu options”](#) on page 831.

- Type the following command:  

```
/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdb_move
```

```
-data data_directory
-index index_directory -tlog log_directory
```

You can run the `nbdb_move` command at any time because it does not drop the database and recreate it. Thus, all data is preserved.

If a mirrored transaction log is in use, type the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdb_move -data data_directory
-index index_directory -tlog log_directory
-mlog log_mirror_directory
```

- 5 Start all NetBackup daemons by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.start_all
```

- 6 Perform a catalog backup.

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

## Adding a mirrored transaction log

The transaction logs `NBDB.log` and `BMRDB.log` are critical files used to recover the SQL Anywhere databases.

For extra protection, use a mirrored transaction log. Create this mirrored log in a different directory from the original log.

### To create a mirrored transaction log

- 1 Perform a catalog backup.
- 2 Shut down all NetBackup daemons by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.kill_all
```

- 3 Start the SQL Anywhere daemon by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/nbdbms_start_stop start
```

- 4 Use one of the following methods to create the mirrored transaction log:

- Use the NetBackup Database Administration utility.  
See [“About the Transaction Log Management menu options”](#) on page 829.

- Type the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdb_move -mlog log_mirror_directory
```

To move the existing data, index, transaction log files, and create the mirrored transaction log, type the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/db/bin/nbdb_move -data data_directory-index
index_directory -tlog log_directory-mlog log_mirror_directory
```



- 5 Start all NetBackup daemons by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.start_all
```

- 6 Perform a catalog backup.

See [“About catalog backups”](#) on page 788.

See [“Moving NBDB database files after installation”](#) on page 835.

## Creating the NBDB database manually

The NBDB database is created automatically during NetBackup installation. However, it may be necessary during certain catalog recovery situations to create it manually by using the `create_nbdb` command.

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**Note:** Recreating the database manually is not recommended in most situations.

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**Note:** If the `NBDB.db` database already exists, the `create_nbdb` command does not overwrite it. If you want to move the database, move it by using the `nbdb_move` command.

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### To create the NBDB database manually

- 1 Shut down all NetBackup daemons by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.kill_all
```

- 2 Start the SQL Anywhere daemon by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/nbdbms_start_stop start
```

- 3 Run the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/db/bin/create_nbdb
```

- 4 Start all NetBackup daemons by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.start_all
```

- 5 The new `NBDB` database is empty and does not contain the `EMM` data that is loaded during a normal installation.

Make sure that you have the most current support for new devices before the data is repopulated. New devices are added approximately every two months.

- 6 Repopulate the `EMM` data by running the `tpext` utility. `tpext` updates the `EMM` database with new versions of device mappings and external attribute files.

```
/usr/openv/volmgr/bin/tpext
```

During regular installation, `tpext` is run automatically.

If the `create_nbdb` command is used to create a database manually, the `tpext` utility must also be run. `tpext` loads `EMM` data into the database.

See [“Sybase SQL Anywhere server management”](#) on page 822.

See [“About the NetBackup relational database \(NBDB\) installation”](#) on page 813.

## Additional `create_nbdb` options

In addition to using the `create_nbdb` command to create the `NBDB` database, you also can use it to perform the following actions. In each command, `NB_server_name` matches the name in `server.conf`.

See [“About the NetBackup server.conf file”](#) on page 816.

- Drop the existing `NBDB` database and recreate it in the default location by typing the following command:

```
create_nbdb -drop
```

The `-drop` option instructs NetBackup to drop the existing `NBDB` database. The location of the current `NBDB` data directory is retrieved automatically from the `bp.conf` file.

- Drop the existing `NBDB` database and do not recreate by typing the following command:

```
create_nbdb -drop_only
```

Provide the location of the current `NBDB` data directory, `current_data_directory`, if the default location is not used.

- Drop the existing `NBDB` database and recreate it in the directories as specified by typing the following command:

```
create_nbdb -drop -data data_directory -index index_directory -tlog  
log_directory [-mloglog_mirror_directory]
```

If the NBDB database files were moved from the default location by using `nbdb_move`, use this command to recreate them in the same location. Specify `current_data_directory`.

If the location of `NBDB.db` changed from the default, `BMRDB.db` must also be recreated. The `BMRDB.db` files must reside in the same location as the NetBackup database files.

See [“Relocating the NetBackup database”](#) on page 816.

See [“Moving the NetBackup database from one host to another”](#) on page 844.

See [“Moving NBDB database files after installation”](#) on page 835.

## About backup and recovery procedures

The catalog method can be performed while regular backup activity takes place. It runs according to a policy and is virtually transparent to the customer. Set up the policy by using either the Catalog Backup Wizard or the Policy Configuration Wizard. Either wizard automatically includes all the necessary catalog files to include the database files (NBDB, NBAZDB, and BMRDB) and any catalog configuration files (`vxdbms.conf`, `server.conf`, `databases.conf`).

The catalog allows an administrator to recover either the entire catalog or pieces of the catalog. (For example, the databases separately from the image catalog.)

It offers an incremental backup. For Sybase SQL Anywhere, an incremental backup means a backup of the transaction log only. Transaction logs are managed automatically, truncated after each successful backup.

## Database transaction log

The transaction log for the NetBackup database is necessary for recovering the database. It is automatically truncated after a successful catalog backup.

The transaction log, `NBDB.log`, is located by default in the following directory:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/NBDB.log
```

The transaction log continues to grow until it becomes truncated. Catalog backups must run frequently enough so that the transaction log does not grow to fill the file system.

In addition to the default transaction log, a mirrored transaction log can be created for additional protection of NBDB.

The directory for the mirrored log should not be the same as the directory for the default transaction log. Ideally, the mirrored log should be located on a file system on a different physical disk drive.

If BMR is installed, a transaction log for BMRDB is also created by default in:

```
/usr/opensv/db/data/BMRDB.log
```

It has an optional mirrored log in the following location:

```
mirrored_log_directory/BMRDB.m.log
```

The BMRDB transaction logs are backed up and truncated during the catalog backup along with the NBDB transaction logs.

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**Note:** If a catalog backup is not run, the logs are not truncated. Truncation must be managed in this manner as it is critical to recovery of the database.

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See [“Adding a mirrored transaction log”](#) on page 836.

See [“About NetBackup master server installed directories and files”](#) on page 815.

## About catalog recovery

Recovery scenarios include the following:

- A full recovery from a complete disaster  
Using the **Disaster Recovery** wizard, the databases are restored along with the image catalog to a consistent state.
- A recovery of the database files only  
Using `bprecover`, the relational database files and configuration files can be restored and recovered.

Details about catalog recovery scenarios and procedures are available in the *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide*.

See [“Strategies that ensure successful NetBackup catalog backups”](#) on page 798.

See [“Commands for backing up and recovering the relational databases”](#) on page 840.

## Commands for backing up and recovering the relational databases

The recommended method to protect the relational databases is to use the catalog backup and recovery interfaces.

A temporary backup of the NBDB and BMRDB databases can be made for extra protection before database administration activities such moving or reorganizing the database files.

Table 18-12      Commands used to back up and recover relational databases

| Command                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>nbdb_backup</code>  | <p>Use <code>nbdb_backup</code> to make either an online or an offline copy of the NBDB database files and the BMRDB database files in a directory. The transaction log is not truncated by using <code>nbdb_backup</code>. Transaction logs are managed only by using the catalog backup.</p> <pre>/usr/openv/db/bin/nbdb_backup [-dbn database_name] [-online   -offline] destination_directory</pre> <p><code>-dbn database_name</code> only backs up the specified database (NBDB or BMRDB).</p> <p><code>-offline</code> shuts down the database and access to the database. Connections to the database are refused at this time. The SQL Anywhere daemon does not shut down.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Using this command (or the NetBackup Database Administration utility) to back up the NetBackup database can potentially break the consistency between the NetBackup catalog and the database. This loss of consistency can lead to loss of data. Use this command (or the NetBackup Database Administration utility) to back up the NetBackup catalog only as a precautionary measure.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The transaction logs are not truncated by using <code>nbdb_backup</code>. A catalog backup must be run to truncate the logs.</p> |
| <code>nbdb_restore</code> | <p>Use <code>nbdb_restore</code> to recover from a database backup that was made using <code>nbdb_backup</code>.</p> <pre>/usr/openv/db/bin/nbdb_restore -recover source_directory</pre> <p>Logs are recorded in the <code>/admin</code> directory.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Using this command (or the NetBackup Database Administration utility) to restore the NetBackup database can potentially break the consistency between the NetBackup catalog and the database. This loss of consistency can lead to loss of data. Use this command (or the NetBackup Database Administration utility) to restore the NetBackup catalog only as a precautionary measure.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

See [“About the Enterprise Media Manager \(EMM\) database”](#) on page 786.

See [“Configuring a catalog backup manually”](#) on page 794.

See [“Strategies that ensure successful NetBackup catalog backups”](#) on page 798.

## About the catalog backup process

Normally, a catalog backup consists of one parent job and two or more child jobs. Events for these jobs appear in the `dbm` log.

An overview of the catalog backup process consists of the following process:

- Make a temporary copy of database files to a staging directory by typing the following command:

```
/usr/openv/db/staging
```

Once the copy is made, NetBackup can back up the catalog files.

- A child job backs up files in a single stream as follows:
  - Configuration files (`server.conf`, `database.conf`, `vxdbs.conf`)
  - Database files

```
BMR_DATA.db
BMRDB.db
BMRDB.log
BMR_INDEX.db
DARS_DATA.db
DARS_INDEX.db
DBM_DATA.db
DBM_INDEX.db
EMM_DATA.db
EMM_INDEX.db
JOB_DATA.db
NBAZDB.db
NBAZDB.db.template
NBAZDB.log
NBDB.db
NBDB.log
SEARCH_DATA.db
SEARCH_INDEX.db
vxdbs.conf
```

If BMR was installed

- A second child job begins the image catalog backup.  
 If BMR is installed and a remote EMM server is in use, the backup of the EMM server appears as a separate job.
- Transaction logs are truncated after a successful full or incremental backup.  
 If the transaction logs are manually changed or deleted, a hole could exist in the recovery.  
 The child job for the relational database backup is normally run on the master server. The master server is the default location for NBDB and the required location for BMRDB.

If NBDB was moved to a media server, the child job runs on the media server. In this case, additional logging for the job appears in the admin log on the media server.

If NBDB was moved to a media server and BMRDB is installed on the master server, two child jobs exist for the relational database backup portion of the catalog backup. One on the media server for NBDB and one on the master server for BMRDB.

## Unloading the NetBackup database

Use the NetBackup Database Administration utility or the `nbdbb_unload` command line utility to dump the entire NetBackup or Bare Metal Restore databases. These utilities can also be used to dump individual tables (one `.dat` file is created for each table), or schema. Use either method to create a copy of the SQL Anywhere database that may be requested in some customer support situations.

There should be no active connections to the database when `nbdbb_unload` is run.

When either method is used, a `reload.sql` script is generated. The script contains all the code that is required to recreate the database. Symantec Technical Support uses this script and the associated files to assist in support cases.

```
/usr/openv/db/bin/nbdbb_unload [-dbn database_name] [-t table_list]
[-s] destination_directory
```

In the script where:

- `-dbn database_name`  
`database_name` is NBDB (default) or BMRDB.
- `-t table_list`  
Must list the owner of the table, then the table name. For EMM, the account `EMM_MAIN` owns all tables.  
`nbdbb_unload -t EMM_MAIN.EMM_Device, EMM_MAIN.EMM_Density`
- `-s`  
No data is dumped, only schema.
- `destination_directory`  
Specify the location where the dump is created.

See [“About the Unload Database menu options”](#) on page 832.

See [“Terminating database connections”](#) on page 844.

## Terminating database connections

Before you run `nbdb_unload`, shut down NetBackup to terminate all active connections to the database. Shutting down NetBackup eliminates any possible concurrency problems.

### To terminate database connections

- 1 Shut down all NetBackup daemons by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.kill_all
```

- 2 Start the SQL Anywhere daemon by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/nbdbms_start_stop start
```

- 3 Start only the database server by using

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/nbdbms_start_stop start
```

- 4 Use one of the following methods to terminate database connections:

- Use the NetBackup Database Administration utility.  
See [“Using the NetBackup Database Administration utility”](#) on page 824.
- Run `nbdb_unload` and indicate the outputs (database name, table lists, or schema only) and the destination directory.

- 5 Shut down the database server by using `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/nbdbms_start_stop stop`.

- 6 Stop the SQL Anywhere daemon by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/nbdbms_start_stop stop
```

- 7 Start all NetBackup daemons by typing the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.start_all
```

Symantec does not recommend using `reload.sql` to make a copy of the relational databases in a production environment. Use the NetBackup Database Administration utility or `nbdb_backup` to make a physical copy or use `nbdb_move` to relocate the database files.

## Moving the NetBackup database from one host to another

The NetBackup database, NBDB, must always reside on the same host as the EMM server. If NBDB is moved, the EMM server must also be moved. The Bare Metal Restore database, BMRDB, and NetBackup Authorization Database, NBAZDB, must also reside on the master server. So, if NBDB and EMM server are moved to a



media server from a master server, BMRDB and NBAZDB must remain on the master server.

Contact Symantec Technical Support for detailed help to move the database from one server to another server.

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**Note:** If the EMM server is remote to the master server, the master server must be able to reach the PBX/EMM port 1556 and the Sybase Database ODBC port 2638 on the EMM server. If a firewall prevents these connections, `bpjobjd` cannot communicate with the EMM server and the Activity Monitor cannot display or update jobs.

For more information, see the *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide*.

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# Managing backup images

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About the Catalog utility](#)
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- [About importing backup images](#)

## About the Catalog utility

Use the **Catalog** utility in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to create and configure catalog backups. Catalog backups are required for NetBackup to protect NetBackup internal databases. The catalogs contain setup information as well as critical information about client backups. The catalog backups are tracked separately from other backups to ensure recovery in case of a server crash.

The **Catalog** utility is also used to perform the following actions:

- Search for backup images to verify the contents of media with what is recorded in the NetBackup catalog.
- Duplicate a backup image.
- Promote a backup image from a copy to the primary backup copy.
- Expire backup images.

- Import expired backup images or images from another NetBackup server.

Figure 19-1 Catalog utility options

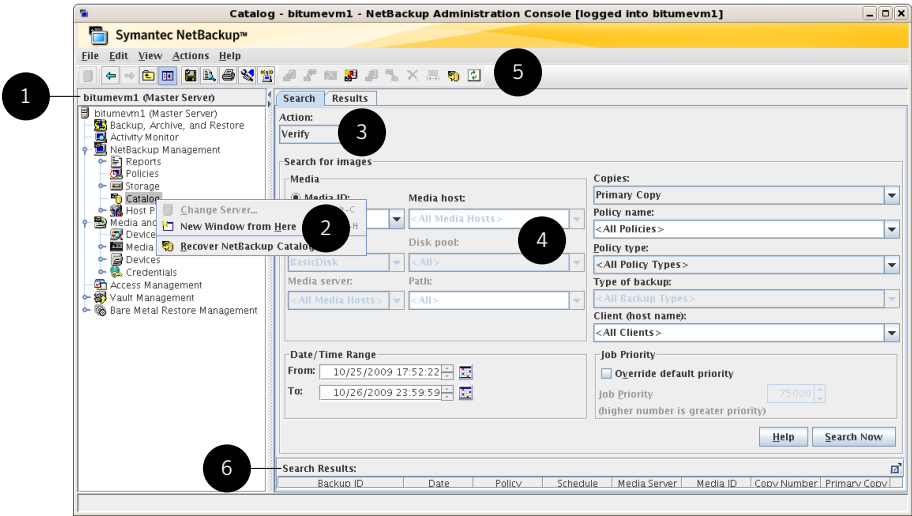


Table 19-1 Host Properties utility

| Number | Description                                                                                                 |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1      | The name of the currently selected master server.                                                           |
| 2      | Right-click <b>Catalog</b> to view the shortcut menu.                                                       |
| 3      | Select an action to perform in the <b>Catalog</b> utility.                                                  |
| 4      | Set search criteria, including a specific media and date range.                                             |
| 5      | The user toolbar is specific to the <b>Catalog</b> utility.<br>See “Standard and user toolbars” on page 46. |
| 6      | Display of search results.                                                                                  |

# About searching for backup images

Use the **Catalog** utility to search for a backup image to perform the following actions:

- Verify the backup contents with what is recorded in the NetBackup catalog.
- Duplicate the backup image to create up to 10 copies.

- Promote a copy of a backup to be the primary backup copy.
- Expire backup images.
- Import expired backup images or images from another NetBackup server.

NetBackup uses the specific search criteria to build a list of backups from which you can make your selections.

When you search for specific kinds of images, note the following:

- **Verification image**  
Backups that have fragments on another volume are included, as they exist in part on the specified volume.
- **Import image**  
The backup is not imported if it begins on a media ID that the initiating backup procedure did not process.  
The backup is incomplete if it ends on a media ID that the initiating backup procedure did not process.  
See [“About importing backup images”](#) on page 860.

[Table 19-2](#) lists the search criteria for backup images.

**Table 19-2** Catalog utility search properties

| Property          | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Action</b>     | Specifies the action that was used to create the image: <b>Verify, Duplicate, Import</b> .<br>See <a href="#">“Verifying backup images”</a> on page 850.<br>See <a href="#">“Duplicating backup images”</a> on page 854.<br>See <a href="#">“Expiring backup images”</a> on page 859. |
| <b>Media ID</b>   | Specifies the media ID for the volume. Type a media ID in the box or select one from the scroll-down list. To search on all media, select <b>&lt;All&gt;</b> .                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Media Host</b> | Specifies the host name of the media server that produced the originals. Type a host name in the box or select one from the scroll-down list. To search through all hosts, select <b>All Media Hosts</b> .                                                                            |
| <b>Disk type</b>  | Specifies the type of the disk storage unit on which to search for backup images.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Disk pool</b>  | Specifies the name of the disk pool on which to search for backup images.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Volume ID</b>  | Specifies the ID of the disk volume in the disk pool on which to search for backup images.                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Path</b>       | Searches for an image on a disk storage unit, if the path is entered. Or, searches all of the disk storage on the specified server, if <b>All</b> was selected. Appears if the disk type is BasicDisk.                                                                                |

Table 19-2      Catalog utility search properties (continued)

| Property                      | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Date/time range               | Specifies the range of dates and times that includes all the backups for which you want to search. The Global Attributes property <b>Policy Update Interval</b> determines the default range.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Copies                        | Specifies the source you want to search. From the scroll-down list, select either Primary or the copy number.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Policy                        | Specifies the policy under which the selected backups were performed. Type a policy name in the box or select one from the scroll-down list. To search through all policies, select <b>All Policies</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Client (host name)            | Specifies the host name of the client that produced the originals. Type a client name in the box or select one from the scroll-down list. To search through all hosts, select <b>All Clients</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Type of backup                | Specifies the type of schedule that created the backup. Type a schedule type in the box or select one from the scroll-down list. To search through all schedule types, select <b>All Backup Types</b> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Override default job priority | <p>Selects the job priority for verify, duplicate, and import actions.</p> <p>To change the default for the selected action, enable <b>Override default job priority</b>. Then, select a value in the <b>Job Priority</b> field.</p> <p>Changes in the catalog dialog box affect the priority for the selected job only.</p> <p>If this option is not enabled, the job runs using the default priority as specified in the <b>Default Job Priorities</b> host properties.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Default Job Priorities properties”</a> on page 118.</p> |
| Search tab columns            | The <b>Search</b> tab columns list information about matching backup images based on the defined search criteria.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Results tab columns           | The <b>Results</b> tab displays the progress of the request to verify, duplicate, expire, or import an image.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Messages pane                 | Displays the messages about the tasks that run as background processes. The pane appears only if there is an informative message or error message for a task. If the task completes normally, the pane does not appear. The <b>Messages</b> pane can be maximized, minimized, or closed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

## Verifying backup images

NetBackup can verify the contents of a backup by reading the volume and comparing its contents to what is recorded in the NetBackup catalog.

This operation does not compare the data on the volume to the contents of the client disk. However, the operation does read each block in the image to verify that the volume is readable. (However, data corruption within a block is possible.) NetBackup verifies only one backup at a time and tries to minimize media mounts and positioning time.

#### To verify backup images

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Catalog**.
- 2 In the right pane, on the **Search** tab, set up the search criteria for the image you want to verify. Click **Search Now**.
- 3 In the right pane, select the image you want to verify and on the **Actions** menu, select **Actions > Verify**.

To display information on each file that NetBackup verifies, select **Log all files found in verified image(s)**.

- 4 In the right pane, click the **Results** tab, then select the verification job to view the job results.

## Viewing job results

The results of verify, duplicate, or import jobs appear in the **Results** tab for the Catalog options. The top portion of the dialog box displays all existing log files.

To view a log file, select the name of the log from the list. The current log file appears in the bottom portion of the **Results** dialog box. If an operation is in progress, the log file results refresh as the operation proceeds.

#### To view job results

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Catalog**.
- 2 In the right pane, click the **Results** tab.
- 3 Select a log file.
- 4 On the **View** menu, click **View > Full View** to display the entire log file in a screen editor.

On the **Edit** menu, select **Edit > Delete** to delete the log.

You can also right-click the log file and select an action from the scroll-down menu.

# Promoting a copy to a primary copy

Each backup is assigned a primary copy. NetBackup uses the primary copy to satisfy restore requests. The first backup image that is created successfully by a NetBackup policy is the primary backup. If the primary copy is unavailable and a duplicate copy exists, select a copy of the backup and set it to be the primary copy.

NetBackup restores from the primary backup, and Vault duplicates from the primary backup. If your Vault profile performs duplication, you can designate one of the duplicates as the primary. In most circumstances, the copy remaining in the robot is the primary backup. When a primary backup expires, the next backup (if it exists) is promoted to primary automatically.

Use one of the following methods to promote a copy to a primary copy:

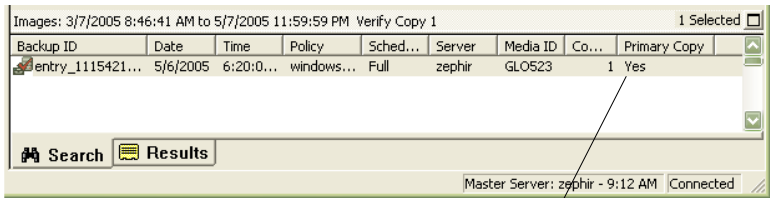
- Promote a backup copy to a primary copy using search criteria

See [“To promote a backup copy to a primary copy”](#) on page 852.
- Promote a copy to a primary copy for many backups using the `bpchangeprimary` command

See [“To promote a copy to a primary copy for many backups”](#) on page 853.
- Promote a backup copy to a primary copy using the `bpduplicate` command

See [“To use bpduplicate to promote a backup copy to a primary copy”](#) on page 853.

Figure 19-2 Primary copy status



Primary Copy status indicates that the image is now the primary copy

## To promote a backup copy to a primary copy

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Catalog**.
- 2 In the right pane, set up the search criteria for the image you want to promote to a primary copy. Be sure that you indicate a copy in the **Copies** field and not **Primary Copy**. Click **Search Now**.

See [“About searching for backup images”](#) on page 848.



**3** Select the image you want to promote.

**4** On the **Actions** menu, click **Actions > Set Primary Copy**.

After the image is promoted to the primary copy, the Primary Status column immediately reads **Yes**.

#### To promote a copy to a primary copy for many backups

- ◆ You can also promote a copy to be a primary copy for many backups using the `bpchangeprimary` command. For example, the following command promotes all copies on the media that belongs to the **SUN** volume pool. The copies must have been created after August 8, 2009:

```
bpchangeprimary -pool SUN -sd 08/01/2009
```

In the next example, the following command promotes copy 2 of all backups of `client_a`. The copies must have been created after January 1, 2009:

```
bpchangeprimary -copy 2 -cl client_a -sd 01/01/2009
```

More information is available in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

#### To use `bpduplicate` to promote a backup copy to a primary copy

**1** Enter the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpduplicate -npc pcopy  
-backupid bid
```

Where:

*pcopy* is the copy number of the new primary copy.

*bid* is the backup identifier as shown in the Images on Media report.

Find the volume that contains the duplicate backup by using the Images on Media report.

**2** Specify the backup ID that is known (and also the client name if possible to reduce the search time).

The `bpduplicate` command writes all output to the NetBackup logs. Nothing appears in the command window.

After the duplicate copy is promoted to the primary copy, use the client interface on the client to restore files from the backup.

For instructions, see the online Help in the Backup, Archive, and Restore client interface.

# Duplicating backup images

NetBackup does not verify in advance whether the storage units and the drives that are required for the duplicate operation are available for use. NetBackup verifies that the destination storage units exist. The storage units must be connected to the same media server.

Table 19-3 lists the scenarios in which duplication is possible and scenarios in which duplication is not possible:

Table 19-3 Backup duplication scenarios

| Duplication possible                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Duplication not possible                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ From one storage unit to another.</li><li>■ From one media density to another.</li><li>■ From one server to another.</li><li>■ From multiplex to nonmultiplex format.</li><li>■ From multiplex format and retain the multiplex format on the duplicate. The duplicate can contain all or any subset of the backups that were included in the original multiplexed group. The duplicate is created with a single pass of the tape. (A multiplexed group is a set of backups that were multiplexed together during a single session.)</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ While the backup is created (unless making multiple copies concurrently).</li><li>■ When the backup has expired.</li><li>■ By using NetBackup to schedule duplications automatically (unless you use a Vault policy to schedule duplication)</li><li>■ When it is a multiplexed duplicate of the following type:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ FlashBackup</li><li>■ NDMP backup</li><li>■ Backups from disk type storage units</li><li>■ Backups to disk type storage units</li><li>■ Nonmultiplexed backups</li></ul></li></ul> |

An alternative to taking time to duplicate backups is to create up to four copies simultaneously at backup time. (This option is sometimes referred to as Inline Copy.) Another alternative is to use storage lifecycle policies.

See “[About writing multiple copies using a storage lifecycle policy](#)” on page 578.

## To duplicate backup images

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Catalog**.
- 2 In the right pane, set up the search criteria for the image you want to duplicate. Click **Search Now**.
- 3 Right-click the image(s) you want to duplicate and select **Duplicate** from the shortcut menu.

If you duplicate an online, hot catalog backup, select all child jobs that were used to create the catalog backup. All jobs must be duplicated to duplicate the catalog backup.

#### 4 Specify the number of copies you want to create.

NetBackup can create up to 10 copies of unexpired backups. Indicate the number of backup copies in **Host Properties > Master Servers > Global Attributes > Maximum backup copies**.

See [“Global Attributes properties”](#) on page 145.

If enough drives are available, the copies are created simultaneously. Otherwise, the system may require operator intervention if four copies are to be created using only two drives, for example.

#### 5 The primary copy is the copy from which restores are done. Normally, the original backup is the primary copy.

If you want one of the duplicated copies to become the primary copy, check the appropriate check box, otherwise leave the fields blank.

When the primary expires, a different copy automatically becomes primary. (The copy that is chosen is the one with the smallest copy number. If the primary is copy 1, copy 2 becomes primary when it expires. If the primary is copy 5, copy 1 becomes primary when it expires.)

#### 6 Specify the storage unit where each copy is stored. If a storage unit has multiple drives, it can be used for both the source and destination.

All storage units must meet the criteria for creating multiple copies.

See [“About configuring for multiple copies”](#) on page 676.

#### 7 Specify the volume pool where each copy is stored.

The following volume pool selections are based on the policy type setting that was used for the query.

|                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| If the <b>Policy type</b> is set to <b>All Policy Types</b> (default).                                       | Specifies that all volume pools are included in the drop-down list. Both catalog and non-catalog volume pools are included. |
| If the <b>Policy type</b> is set to <b>NBU-Catalog</b> .                                                     | Specifies that only catalog volume pools are included in the drop-down list.                                                |
| If the <b>Policy type</b> is set to a policy type other than <b>NBU-Catalog</b> or <b>All Policy Types</b> . | Specifies that only non-catalog volume pools are included in the drop-down list.                                            |

NetBackup does not verify that the media ID selected for the duplicate copy is different from the media ID that contains the original backup. Because of this potential deadlock, specify a different volume pool to ensure that a different volume is used.

- 8 Select the retention level for the copy, or select No change.

The duplicate copy shares many attributes of the primary copy, including backup ID. Other attributes apply only to the primary. (For example, elapsed time.) NetBackup uses the primary copy to satisfy restore requests.

Consider the following items when selecting the retention level:

- If **No Change** is selected for the retention period, the expiration date is the same for the duplicate and the source copies. You can use the `bpexpdate` command to change the expiration date of the duplicate.
- If a retention period is indicated, the expiration date for the copy is the backup date plus the retention period. For example, if a backup was created on November 14, 2010 and its retention period is one week, the new copy's expiration date is November 21, 2010.

- 9 Specify whether the remaining copies should continue or fail if the specified copy fails.

- 10 Specify who should own the media onto which you duplicate images.

Select one of the following:

|                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Any            | Specifies that NetBackup chooses the media owner, either a media server or server group.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| None           | Specifies the media server that writes to the media owns the media. No media server is specified explicitly, but you want a media server to own the media.                                                                                                |
| A server group | Specifies that only those media servers in the group are allowed to write to the media on which backup images for this policy are written. All of the media server groups that are configured in your NetBackup environment appear in the drop-down list. |

- 11 If the selection includes multiplexed backups and the backups are to remain multiplexed in the duplicate, check **Preserve Multiplexing**. If you do not duplicate all the backups in a multiplexed group, the duplicate contains a different layout of fragments. (A multiplexed group is a set of backups that were multiplexed together during a single session.)

By default, duplication is done serially and attempts to minimize media mounts and positioning time. Only one backup is processed at a time. If **Preserved Multiplexing** is enabled, NetBackup first duplicates all backups that cannot be multiplex duplicated before the multiplexed backups are duplicated.

The **Preserve Multiplexing** setting does not apply when the destination is a disk storage unit. However, if the source is a tape and the destination is a disk storage unit, select **Preserve Multiplexing** to ensure that the tape is read in one pass.

- 12 Click **OK** to start duplicating.
- 13 Click the **Results** tab, then select the duplication job to view the job results.  
See [“Viewing job results”](#) on page 851.  
See [“About multiplexed duplication considerations”](#) on page 857.

## About multiplexed duplication considerations

Consider the following items about multiplexed duplication.

**Table 19-4** Multiplexed duplication considerations

| Consideration                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Multiplex settings are ignored | When multiplexed backups are duplicated, the multiplex settings of the destination storage unit and the original schedule are ignored. However, if multiple multiplexed groups are duplicated, the grouping within each multiplexed group is maintained. This means that the duplicated groups have a multiplexing factor that is no greater than the factor that was used during the original backup. |

Table 19-4                  Multiplexed duplication considerations (continued)

| Consideration                                                                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Backups in a multiplexed group are duplicated and duplicated group is identical | <p>When backups in a multiplexed group are duplicated to a storage unit, the duplicated group is identical as well. However, the storage unit must have the same characteristics as the unit where the backup was originally performed. The following items are exceptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ If EOM (end of media) is encountered on either the source or the destination media.</li><li>■ If any of the fragments are zero length in the source backups, the fragments are removed during duplication. A fragment of zero length occurs if many multiplexed backups start at the same time.</li></ul> |

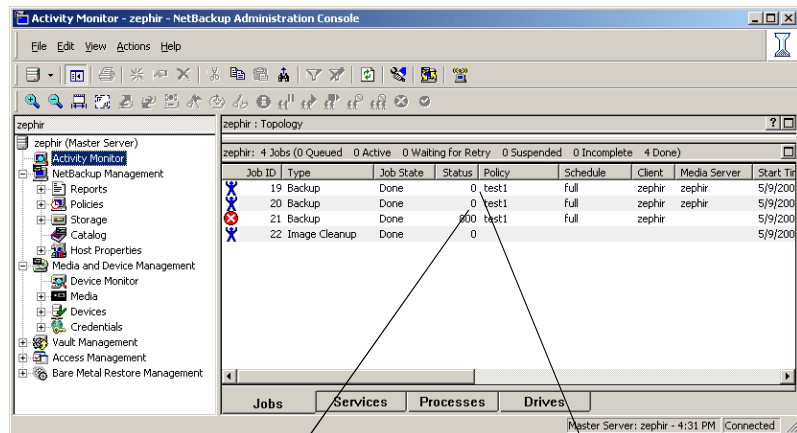
Jobs that appear while making multiple copies

When multiple copies are made concurrently, a parent job appears, plus a job for each copy.

The parent job displays the overall status, whereas the copy jobs display the status of a single copy. Viewing the status of individual jobs lets you troubleshoot jobs individually. For example, if one copy fails but the other copy is successful, or if each copy fails for different reasons. If at least one copy is successful, the status of the parent job is successful. Use the Parent Job ID filter to display the parent Job ID. Use the Copy filter to display the copy number for a particular copy.

The following example shows a backup that contains two copies. The parent job is 19, copy 1 is job 20, and copy 2 is job 21. Copy 1 finished successfully, but copy 2 failed with an 800 status (disk volume cannot be used for more than one copy in the same job). Since at least one copy successfully completed, the parent job displays a successful (0) status.

**Figure 19-3** Backup that contains two copies



Copy 1 was successful, but  
Copy 2 failed

The parent job was successful because  
at least one copy was successful

## Expiring backup images

To expire a backup image means to force the retention period to expire. When the retention period expires, NetBackup deletes information about the backup. The files in the backups are unavailable for restores without first re-importing.

### To expire a backup image

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Catalog**.
- 2 In the right pane, set up the search criteria for the image you want to expire, then click **Search Now**.  
See [“About searching for backup images”](#) on page 848.
- 3 Select the image you want to expire and on the **Actions** menu, select **Actions > Expire**.
- 4 A message appears that announces that once the backups are expired, they cannot be used for restores. Select **Yes** to begin to expire the images.

If the user attempts to manually expire an image or image copies that are not SLP-complete, the request fails with a 1573 status code. Use the NetBackup **Troubleshooter** or the *NetBackup Status Codes Reference Guide* to determine corrective actions.

# About importing backup images

NetBackup can import the backups that have expired, the backups from another NetBackup server, or the backups written by Backup Exec for Windows.

**Note:** The **Backup Exec Tape Reader** functionality is not supported in the next major NetBackup release.

See [“About importing Backup Exec media”](#) on page 862.

During an import operation, NetBackup recreates NetBackup catalog entries for the backups on the imported volume. The import capability is useful for moving volumes from one site to another and for recreating NetBackup catalog entries.

NetBackup supports the capability to import and restore the following Backup Exec backup types:

- Windows
- UNIX
- Exchange
- SQL
- NetWare

An image is imported in the following two phases:

**Table 19-5** Phases to import an image

| Phase    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Phase I  | NetBackup creates a list of expired catalog entries for the backups on the imported volume. No actual import occurs in Phase I.<br><br>See <a href="#">“Importing backup images, Phase I”</a> on page 860. |
| Phase II | Images are selected for importing from the list of expired images that was created in Phase I.<br><br>See <a href="#">“Importing backup images, Phase II”</a> on page 861.                                 |

## Importing backup images, Phase I

Phase I of the import process creates a list of expired images from which to select to import in Phase II. No import occurs in Phase I.

If tape is used, each tape must be mounted and read. It may take some time to read the catalog and build the list of images.



To import an online, hot catalog backup, import all of the child jobs that were used to create the catalog backup.

### To initiate an import

- ◆ To import Backup Exec media, run the `vmphyinv` physical inventory utility to update the Backup Exec media GUID in the NetBackup Media Manager database. Run the command only once after creating the media IDs in the NetBackup Media Manager database.

## Importing backup images, Phase II

To import the backups that consist of fragments on multiple tapes, first run the Initiate Import (Import Phase I). The first phase reads the catalog to determine all the tapes that contain fragments. After Phase I, start the Import (Phase II). If Phase II is run before Phase I, the import fails with a message. For example, Unexpected EOF or Import of backup ID failed, fragments are not consecutive.

### To import backup images, Phase II

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Catalog**.
- 2 In the right pane, set up the search criteria to find images available to import by setting the search action to **Import**. Be sure to select a date range that includes the images you want to import.

Select Import to search for imported images

Select the date range that includes the images to import

Images eligible for importing appear as a result

| Backup ID    | Date      | Time       | Policy | Schedule | Server | Media ID   | Copy N... | Primary ... |
|--------------|-----------|------------|--------|----------|--------|------------|-----------|-------------|
| zephir_11... | 4/26/2007 | 2:20:09 PM | test1  | test1    | zephir | C:\NetB... | 1         | Yes         |

- 3 Select the image(s) you want to import and on the **Actions** menu, select **Actions > Import**.
- 4 To view the log, click the **Results** tab, then select the import job log.

## About importing expired images

The expiration date for the imported items is the current date plus the retention period. For example, if a backup is imported on November 14, 2010, and its retention period is one week, the new expiration date is November 21, 2010.

Consider the following items when importing backup images:

- NetBackup can import the disk images that NetBackup version 6.0 (or later) writes.
- You cannot import a backup if an unexpired copy of it already exists on the server.
- NetBackup does not direct backups to imported volumes.
- If you import an online, hot catalog backup, import all the child jobs that were used to create the catalog backup. All jobs must be imported to import the catalog backup.
- To import a volume with the same media ID as an existing volume on a server, use the following example where you want to import a volume with media ID A00001. (A volume with media ID A00001 already exists on the server.)
  - Duplicate the existing volume on the server to another media ID (for example, B00001).
  - Remove information about media ID A00001 from the NetBackup catalog by running the following command:
 

```
/usr/opensv/NetBackup/bin/admincmd/bpexpdate -d 0 -m  
media_ID
```
  - Delete media ID A00001 from Media Manager on the server.
  - Add the other A00001 to Media Manager on the server.

To avoid this problem in the future, use unique prefix characters for media IDs on all servers.

See [“Expiring backup images”](#) on page 859.

## About importing Backup Exec media

Consider the following situations and results when importing Backup Exec media:

**Table 19-6** Importing Backup Exec media results

| Situation                                                                                                                  | Result                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Backup Exec media is password-protected                                                                                    | The import job fails without a correct password. The logs indicate that either no password or an incorrect password, was provided. If the media is not password-protected and the user provides a password, the password is ignored. |
| Backup Exec media uses a password that contains non-ASCII characters                                                       | Use the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> on Windows. (The <b>NetBackup-Java Administration Console</b> cannot be used.) Or, use the <code>bpimport</code> command.                                                            |
| Importing from Backup Exec media and conversion/migration of job information                                               | Does not convert or migrate Backup Exec job history, job schedules, or job descriptions to NetBackup.                                                                                                                                |
| Importing from Backup Exec media and conversion of application setup or configuration information                          | Does not convert Backup Exec application setup or configuration information to NetBackup.                                                                                                                                            |
| Backup Exec backups created with the Intelligent Image Option                                                              | Cannot be restored.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Backup Exec hard link backups are redirected and restored to partitions or drives other than the source partition or drive | The hard links are not restored. The progress log may indicate that the hard links are restored successfully, but that is not the case.                                                                                              |

**Note:** The **Backup Exec Tape Reader** functionality is not supported in the next major NetBackup release.

## About the host properties for Backup Exec

The Backup Exec UNIX agent identifies itself to the Backup Exec server by using a GRFS-advertised name. The advertised name may not be the same as the real computer name and path.

NetBackup must know the advertised name, along with the actual client name and path to create accurate .`ef` file paths. Set the **GRFS Advertised Name**, **Actual Client**, and **Actual Path** properties in the Backup Exec Tape Reader host properties. If no entries are indicated, NetBackup assumes that the advertised name is the real computer name and the advertised path is the real path.

See [“Backup Exec Tape Reader properties”](#) on page 77.

### Backup Exec Tape Reader limitations

The following are Backup Exec Tape Reader limitations:

- Support is limited to images residing on tape media that the NetBackup media server supports.
- Importing from disk backups is not supported.
- Importing encrypted images is not supported.
- Duplication after import is not supported.
- UNIX data cannot be restored to Windows systems, Windows data to UNIX systems, Windows data to NetWare systems, or UNIX data to NetWare systems.
- NetBackup does not read the Backup Exec media that Backup Exec for NetWare writes.

### Backup Exec Tape Reader support

The Backup Exec Tape Reader provides support for the following versions of Windows images, Exchange Server images, and SQL images.

**Note:** The **Backup Exec Tape Reader** functionality is not supported in the next major NetBackup release.

**Table 19-7** Backup Exec Tape Reader supported images and versions

| Image          | Versions supported                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Windows images | <p>The Backup Exec Tape Reader provides support for all Windows versions that NetBackup currently supports.</p> <p>The support includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Importing Windows 2003 and 2008 images.</li><li>■ Recovering files from full, incremental, and differential backups.</li><li>■ Importing Windows 2003 and 2008 images from Backup Exec 7 through 12.</li><li>■ Recovery of System State and Shadow Copy Components.</li><li>■ Importing compressed images.</li></ul> |

**Table 19-7** Backup Exec Tape Reader supported images and versions (*continued*)

| Image                  | Versions supported                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Exchange Server images | <p>The Backup Exec Tape Reader provides support for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Database recovery from full, incremental, and differential backups.</li> <li>■ Importing Exchange 2000 and 2003 images from Backup Exec 9.1 through 12.</li> <li>■ Importing Exchange 2007 images from Backup Exec 11 through 12.</li> </ul> <p>The support for Backup Exec images of Exchange 2003 and 2007 is limited to recovering the backup image to the same storage group. This is supported for both VSS backups as well as non-VSS backups.</p> <p>The following functionality is not available for Backup Exec images of Exchange 2003 and 2007:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Restoring individual mailbox objects or public folder objects either to the same path or different path.</li> <li>■ Restoring to a different storage group or Recovery Storage Group for either VSS backups or Non-VSS backups.</li> </ul> |
| SQL images             | <p>The Backup Exec Tape Reader provides support for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Importing SQL Server 2005 images from Backup Exec 9.1 through 12.</li> <li>■ Database recovery from full, incremental, differential, and transaction log backups.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

## Differences between importing, browsing, and restoring Backup Exec and NetBackup images

The following table describes the differences between Backup Exec and NetBackup to import, browse, and restore images.

**Table 19-8** Differences between Backup Exec and NetBackup to import, browse, and restore images

| Topic                                            | Differences                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Run <code>vmphysinv</code> for Backup Exec media | <p>To import Backup Exec media requires <code>vmphysinv</code> to update the Backup Exec media GUID in the NetBackup Media Manager database. Create the media IDs in the NetBackup Media Manager database, run the command, then perform Phase I and Phase II import operations.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the vmphysinv physical inventory utility”</a> on page 458.</p> |
| To import and restore QIC media                  | <p>Backup Exec Quarter Inch Cartridge (QIC) media that was written in tape block sizes more than 512 bytes must be imported and restored using a NetBackup Windows media server. A NetBackup UNIX media server cannot import and restore the media in this case.</p>                                                                                                          |

Table 19-8

Differences between Backup Exec and NetBackup to import, browse, and restore images *(continued)*

| Topic                                                     | Differences                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Spanned media:<br>Importing differences                   | <p>To import a Backup Exec backup that spans multiple media, run a Phase I import on the first media of the spanned backup set. Then, run a Phase I import on the remaining media of the spanned backup set in any order.</p> <p>The Backup Exec import process differs from the NetBackup import process. In that NetBackup import process, Phase I can be run in any order in case the image spans multiple media.</p> |
| SQL:<br>Browsing and restoring differences                | <p>Backup Exec SQL images are browsed, then restored using the NetBackup Backup, Archive, and Restore client interface.</p> <p>NetBackup SQL images are browsed, then restored using the NetBackup SQL interface.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| File level objects:<br>Browsing and restoring differences | <p>When a user selects a Backup Exec file to restore, the directory where that file is located is restored.</p> <p>When a user selects a NetBackup file to restore, only the single file is restored.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| NetWare:<br>Restoring differences                         | <p>NetBackup does not support restoring Backup Exec NetWare non-SMS backups that were created using the NetWare redirector.</p> <p><b>Storage Management Services</b> (SMS) software allows data to be stored and retrieved on NetWare servers independent of the file system the data is maintained in.</p>                                                                                                             |

**Table 19-8** Differences between Backup Exec and NetBackup to import, browse, and restore images (*continued*)

| Topic                                                                     | Differences                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Restoring NTFS hard links, NTFS SIS files, and Exchange SIS mail messages | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ When Backup Exec NTFS images are restored, any directory named SIS Common Store is restored. The directory named SIS Common Store is restored whether or not it is the actual NTFS single instance storage common store directory. The directory is restored even if the file was not specifically selected for restore.</li> <li>■ Under some circumstances, additional objects are sent to the client, even though the objects were not selected for restore. The items are sent to the client when objects are restored from any backups that contain NTFS hard links, NTFS SIS files, or Exchange SIS mail messages. These additional objects are skipped by the client and are not restored. The job is considered partially successful because some objects (though not selected by the user), are skipped.</li> <li>■ When NTFS hard links or SIS files, or Exchange SIS mailboxes are redirected for restore, all or some of the files should be redirected to any location on the source drive. Or, you also can redirect all files to a single location on a different drive.<br/>For example, if the following hard link or SIS files are backed up: <pre> C:\hard_links\one.txt C:\hard_links\two.txt C:\hard_links\three.txt </pre> <p>Upon restore, either the files can be redirected to any location on C:\, or all the files must be redirected to a different drive.</p> <p>The following combination would be unsuccessful:</p> <pre> C:\hard_links\one.txt to a location on C:\ C:\hard_links\two.txt to a location on D:\ </pre> <p>If all the files are to be redirected to a different drive, specify that C:\ be replaced with D:\ in the redirection paths.</p> <p>Unsuccessful:</p> <p>The redirection paths specify that C:\hard_links be replaced with D:\hard_links.</p> <p>Successful:</p> <p>The redirection paths specify that C:\hard_links be replaced with</p> <pre> C:\redir_hard_links. </pre> </li> </ul> |





# Configuring replication

- [Chapter 20. About NetBackup replication](#)



# About NetBackup replication

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About NetBackup replication](#)
- [About NetBackup Auto Image Replication](#)
- [About Replication Director](#)

## About NetBackup replication

NetBackup offers two forms of replication:

|           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Backups   | <p>Auto Image Replication</p> <p>Use this type of replication to replicate backups from one NetBackup domain to the NetBackup media server in another domain.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">About NetBackup Auto Image Replication</a>” on page 872.</p>                                                                                                              |
| Snapshots | <p>NetBackup Replication Director</p> <p>This type of replication makes use of NetBackup OpenStorage to replicate snapshots on primary storage to the disk arrays of OpenStorage partners.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">About Replication Director</a>” on page 896.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>NetBackup Replication Director Solutions Guide</i>.</p> |

# About NetBackup Auto Image Replication

The backups that are generated in one NetBackup domain can be replicated to another media server in one or more NetBackup domains. This process is referred to as Auto Image Replication.

The ability to replicate backups to storage in other NetBackup domains, often across various geographical sites, helps facilitate the following disaster recovery needs:

- One-to-one model  
A single production datacenter can back up to a disaster recovery site.
- One-to-many model  
A single production datacenter can back up to multiple disaster recovery sites. See [“One-to-many Auto Image Replication model ”](#) on page 888.
- Many-to-one model  
Remote offices in multiple domains can back up to a storage device in a single domain.
- Many-to-many model  
Remote datacenters in multiple domains can back up multiple disaster recovery sites.

**Note:** Although Auto Image Replication is a disaster recovery solution, the administrator cannot directly restore to clients in the primary (or originating) domain from the target master domain.

[Table 20-1](#) is an overview of the process, generally describing the events in the originating and target domains.

**Table 20-1** Auto Image Replication process overview

| Event | Domain in which event occurs  | Event description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | Originating master (Domain 1) | <p>Clients are backed up according to a policy that indicates a storage lifecycle policy as the <b>Policy storage</b> selection.</p> <p>At least one of the operations in the SLP must be configured for replication to one of the following types of devices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ An OpenStorage (OST) appliance on a target master.</li><li>■ A <b>Media Server Deduplication Pool</b> (MSDP) on a target master.</li></ul> <p>See <a href="#">“About the storage lifecycle policies required for Auto Image Replication ”</a> on page 884.</p> |

**Table 20-1** Auto Image Replication process overview (*continued*)

| Event | Domain in which event occurs | Event description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2     | Target master (Domain 2)     | The storage server (that represents the OpenStorage appliance or MSDP) in the target domain recognizes that a replication event has occurred and notifies the NetBackup master server in that domain.                                                                                            |
| 3     | Target master (Domain 2)     | NetBackup imports the image immediately, based on an SLP that contains an import operation. NetBackup can import the image quickly because the metadata is replicated as part of the image. (This import process is not the same as the import process available in the <b>Catalog</b> utility.) |
| 4     | Target master (Domain 2)     | After the image is imported into the target domain, NetBackup continues to manage the copies in that domain. Depending on the configuration, the media server in Domain 2 can replicate the images to a media server in Domain 3.                                                                |

## Auto Image Replication setup overview

[Table 20-2](#) is an overview of the setup process for Auto Image Replication, describing the actions that are required.

**Table 20-2** Auto Image Replication setup overview

| Step   | Action                        | Description                                                                                                                          |
|--------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 1 | Install or upgrade NetBackup. | All master servers and media servers must be at NetBackup version 7.1 or later.<br><br>See the <i>NetBackup Installation Guide</i> . |

**Table 20-2** Auto Image Replication setup overview (*continued*)

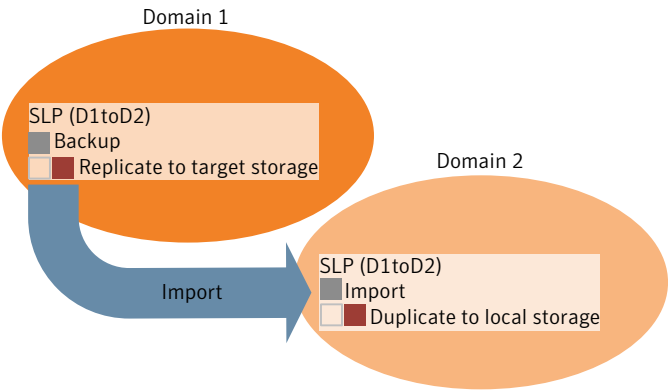
| Step   | Action                                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|--------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 2 | Configure the storage devices.               | <p>To replicate images from one domain to another requires that suitable storage be configured in each domain. The storage in the originating domain and the storage in the target domain must be of the same type.</p> <p>The storage can be either of the following types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ OpenStorage (OST) appliances whose plug-ins conform to version v11.1 of the OpenStorage API.<br/>See the <i>NetBackup OpenStorage Solutions Guide for Disk</i>.</li> <li>■ Media Server Deduplication Pools (MSDP). For MSDP, the plug-in is installed with NetBackup; no separate installation is required.<br/>To use MSDP, a <b>Media Server Deduplication Pool</b> must be configured in both domains.<br/>When you configure the disk pool in the target domain, consider using the <b>Limit I/O streams</b> setting in the <b>Maximum I/O Streams</b> section. Doing so can reduce the load on the target storage server.<br/>See the <i>NetBackup Deduplication Guide</i>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> For successful replication and import, make sure that the storage appliances work properly in each domain.</p> |
| Step 3 | Configure the storage units.                 | <p>Configure the storage units in both the originating domain and the target domain.</p> <p>The storage unit in the originating domain should not be used for backups other than those used for Auto Image Replication.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Step 4 | Define the relationship between the domains. | <p>Define the relationship between the domains so that the originating domain knows where to send the data.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the domain relationship ”</a> on page 875.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Step 5 | Configure the storage lifecycle policies.    | <p>Configure a pair of storage lifecycle policies; one in each master server domain.</p> <p>The storage lifecycle policy pair includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ An SLP in the originating domain that contains a replication operation to a target master. (The Auto Image Replication SLP.)</li> <li>■ An SLP in the target domain that contains an import operation. (The Import SLP.)</li> </ul> <p>The following topic describes how the SLPs must be named and the operations and retention type that each SLP must contain.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About the storage lifecycle policies required for Auto Image Replication ”</a> on page 884.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

Table 20-2      Auto Image Replication setup overview (continued)

| Step   | Action                                                         | Description                                                                                |
|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Step 6 | Configure and run the backup policy in the originating domain. | The backup policy must indicate the configured SLP as the <b>Policy storage</b> selection. |

Figure 20-1 represents the process of importing images using storage lifecycle policies.

Figure 20-1      Replicating from one domain to another



## About the domain relationship

The following items describe important configuration differences depending on which method is used for Auto Image Replication.

- Using media server deduplication pools:  
The relationship between the originating domain and the target domain or domains is established by setting the properties in the source storage server. Specifically, in the **Replication** tab of the **Change Storage Server** dialog box to configure the MSDP storage server.  
See “[Configuring a target for MSDP replication](#)” on page 876.
- Using OpenStorage appliances:  
For OpenStorage and Auto Image Replication, the originating NetBackup domain has no knowledge of the storage server in the target domain or domains. The relationship between the originating domain and the target domain or domains is configured using the disk appliance vendor's tools. When the appliances are configured properly, NetBackup images on the originating disk appliance are replicated automatically to the target disk appliance. That disk

appliance uses the OpenStorage API to notify NetBackup that a replication event occurred. NetBackup then imports those images.

See [“About the replication topology for Auto Image Replication”](#) on page 878.

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**Caution:** Choose the target storage server or servers carefully. A target storage server must not also be a storage server for the originating domain.

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## Configuring a target for MSDP replication

Use the following procedure to establish the replication relationship between a **Media Server Deduplication Pool** in an originating domain and a **Media Server Deduplication Pool** in a target domain.

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**Caution:** Choose the target storage server or servers carefully. A target storage server must not also be a storage server for the source domain.

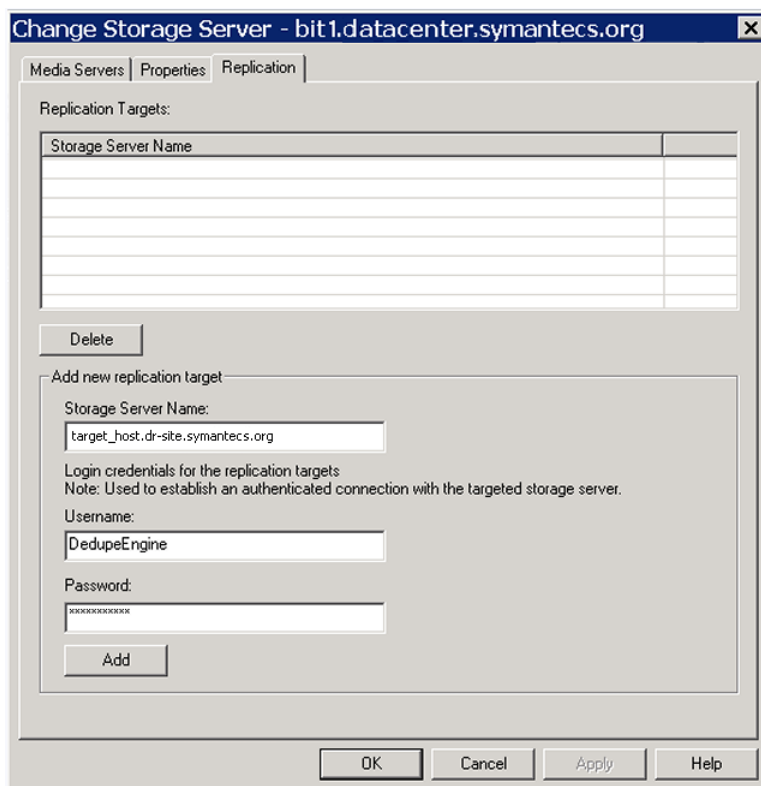
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To configure a Media Server Deduplication Pool as a replication target

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Credentials > Storage Server**.
- 2 Select the MSDP storage server.
- 3 On the **Edit** menu, select **Change**.



- 4 In the **Change Storage Server** dialog box, select the **Replication** tab.



- 5 To add a replication target in a remote domain:
  - Enter the **Storage Server Name**.
  - Enter **Username** and **Password** credentials for the NetBackup Deduplication Engine.
  - Click **Add** to add the storage server to the **Replication Targets** list.  
After you click **Add**, NetBackup verifies that the target storage server exists. NetBackup also configures the replication properties of the volumes in the source domain and the target domain.

All targets are considered for replication, depending on the rules of the storage lifecycle policies that control the replication.

- 6 After all replication targets are added, click **OK**.
- 7 For the deduplication pool in each domain, open the **Change Disk Pool** dialog box and click **Refresh**.

Configuring a replication target configures the replication properties of the disk volumes in both domains. However, NetBackup only updates the properties of the disk pool when you click **Refresh** in the **Change Disk Pool** dialog box and then click **OK**.

## About the replication topology for Auto Image Replication

The disk volumes of the devices that support Auto Image Replication have the properties that define the replication relationships between the volumes. The knowledge of the volume properties is considered the replication topology. The following are the replication properties that a volume can have:

|               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Source</b> | A source volume contains the backups of your clients. The volume is the source for the images that are replicated to a remote NetBackup domain. Each source volume in an originating domain has one or more replication partner target volumes in a target domain. |
| <b>Target</b> | A target volume in the remote domain is the replication partner of a source volume in the originating domain.                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>None</b>   | The volume does not have a replication attribute.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

NetBackup supports Auto Image Replication for the following storage:

### ■ Media Server Deduplication Pool.

NetBackup exposes the storage for a **Media Server Deduplication Pool** as a single volume. Therefore, there is always a one-to-one volume relationship for MSDP.

You configure the replication relationships when you add target storage servers in the **Replication** tab of the **Change Storage Server** dialog box.

See [“Configuring a target for MSDP replication”](#) on page 876.

### ■ Disk storage devices that support replication and also conform to the Symantec OpenStorage API.

Your storage administrator configures the replication topology of the volumes in the storage devices. Based on the volume properties, you create homogeneous disk pools. That is, all of the volumes in a disk pool must have the same properties, and you create the disk pools to match that topology. The disk pools inherit the replication properties from the volumes that you add to them. You should work with your storage administrator to understand the topology so you can create the proper disk pools. You also should work with your storage

administrator to understand any changes that are made to the replication topology.

NetBackup discovers the topology of the volumes when you configure a disk pool.

NetBackup discovers topology changes when you use the **Refresh** option of the **Change Disk Pool** dialog box.

NetBackup includes a command that can help you understand your replication topology. Use the command in the following situations:

- After you configure the storage server and before you configure disk pools.
- After you configure the MSDP replication targets.
- After changes to the volumes that comprise the storage.

See [“Viewing the replication topology for Auto Image Replication”](#) on page 879.

## Viewing the replication topology for Auto Image Replication

For a replication operation to succeed, a volume that is a source of replication must have at least one replication partner that is the target of replication. NetBackup lets you view the replication topology of the storage.

See [“About the replication topology for Auto Image Replication”](#) on page 878.

### To view the replication topology for Auto Image Replication

- ◆ Run the `bpstsinfo` command, specifying the storage server name and the server type. The following is the command syntax:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpstsinfo -lsuinfo
-storage_server storage_server_name -stype server_type
```

The following are the options and arguments for the command:

```
-storage_server storage_server_name The name of the storage server.

-stype server_type
```

- For a deduplication storage server, use `PureDisk`.
- For an OpenStorage disk appliance, the vendor provides the string for `server_type`.

Save the output to a file so that you can compare the current topology with the previous topology to determine what has changed.

Example output is available.

See [“Sample volume properties output for MSDP replication”](#) on page 880.

See [“Sample volume properties output for OpenStorage backup replication”](#) on page 881.

## Sample volume properties output for MSDP replication

The following two examples show output from the `bpstsinfo -lsuinfo` command for two NetBackup deduplication storage servers. The first example is the output from the source disk pool in the originating domain. The second example is from the target disk pool in the remote master server domain.

The two examples show the following:

- All of the storage in a deduplication disk pool is exposed as one volume: `PureDiskVolume`.
- The `PureDiskVolume` of the deduplication storage server `bit1.datacenter.symantecs.org` is the source for the replication operation.
- The `PureDiskVolume` of the deduplication storage server `target_host.dr-site.symantecs.org` is the target of the replication operation.

```
> bpstsinfo -lsuinfo -storage_server bit1.datacenter.symantecs.org -stype PureDisk
LSU Info:
    Server Name: PureDisk:bit1.datacenter.symantecs.org
    LSU Name: PureDiskVolume
    Allocation : STS_LSU_AT_STATIC
    Storage: STS_LSU_ST_NONE
    Description: PureDisk storage unit (/bit1.datacenter.symantecs.org#1/2)
    Configuration:
    Media: (STS_LSUF_DISK | STS_LSUF_ACTIVE | STS_LSUF_STORAGE_NOT_FREED |
    STS_LSUF_REP_ENABLED | STS_LSUF_REP_SOURCE)
    Save As : (STS_SA_CLEARF | STS_SA_IMAGE | STS_SA_OPAQUEF)
    Replication Sources: 0 ( )
    Replication Targets: 1 ( PureDisk:target_host.dr-site.symantecs.org:PureDiskVolume )
    Maximum Transfer: 2147483647
    Block Size: 512
    Allocation Size: 0
    Size: 74645270666
    Physical Size: 77304328192
    Bytes Used: 138
    Physical Bytes Used: 2659057664
    Resident Images: 0

> bpstsinfo -lsuinfo -storage_server target_host.dr-site.symantecs.org -stype PureDisk
LSU Info:
    Server Name: PureDisk:target_host.dr-site.symantecs.org
```

```

LSU Name: PureDiskVolume
Allocation : STS_LSU_AT_STATIC
Storage: STS_LSU_ST_NONE
Description: PureDisk storage unit (/target_host.dr-site.symantecs.org#1/2)
Configuration:
Media: (STS_LSUF_DISK | STS_LSUF_ACTIVE | STS_LSUF_STORAGE_NOT_FREED |
      STS_LSUF_REP_ENABLED | STS_LSUF_REP_TARGET)
Save As : (STS_SA_CLEARF | STS_SA_IMAGE | STS_SA_OPAQUEF)
Replication Sources: 1 ( PureDisk:bit1:PureDiskVolume )
Replication Targets: 0 ( )
Maximum Transfer: 2147483647
Block Size: 512
Allocation Size: 0
Size: 79808086154
Physical Size: 98944983040
Bytes Used: 138
Physical Bytes Used: 19136897024
Resident Images: 0

```

## Sample volume properties output for OpenStorage backup replication

The following examples show sample output from the `bpstsinfo` command for two OpenStorage devices. The first example is the output from the source disk pool that contains the client backups. The second example is from the target disk pool in the remote master server domain.

The two examples show the following:

- Volume `dv01` on storage server `pan1` is the replication source for volume `dv01` on `pan2`.
- Volume `dv02` on storage server `pan1` is the replication source for volume `dv02` on `pan2`.
- Volume `dv03` on both devices has no replication properties.

```

>bpstsinfo -lsuinfo -storage_server pan1 -stype Pan
LSU Info:

```

```

Server Name: pan1
LSU Name: dv01
Allocation : STS_LSU_AT_STATIC
Storage: STS_LSU_ST_NONE
Description: E:\
Configuration:
Media: (STS_LSUF_DISK | STS_LSUF_STORAGE_FREED | STS_LSUF_REP_ENABLED |

```

```
    STS_LSUF_REP_SOURCE)
Save As : (STS_SA_IMAGE)
Replication Sources: 0 ( )
Replication Targets: 1 ( Pan:pan2:dv01 )
Maximum Transfer: 2147483647
Block Size: 512
Allocation Size: 0
Size: 80525455360
Physical Size: 0
Bytes Used: 2285355008
Physical Bytes Used: 0
Resident Images: 0
```

LSU Info:

```
Server Name: pan1
LSU Name: dv02
Allocation : STS_LSU_AT_STATIC
Storage: STS_LSU_ST_NONE
Description: E:\
Configuration:
Media: (STS_LSUF_DISK | STS_LSUF_STORAGE_FREED | STS_LSUF_REP_ENABLED |
    STS_LSUF_REP_SOURCE)
Save As : (STS_SA_IMAGE)
Replication Sources: 0 ( )
Replication Targets: 1 ( Pan:pan2:dv02 )
Maximum Transfer: 2147483647
Block Size: 512
Allocation Size: 0
Size: 80525455360
Physical Size: 0
Bytes Used: 2285355008
Physical Bytes Used: 0
Resident Images: 0
```

LSU Info:

```
Server Name: pan1
LSU Name: dv03
Allocation : STS_LSU_AT_STATIC
Storage: STS_LSU_ST_NONE
Description: E:\
Configuration:
Media: (STS_LSUF_DISK | STS_LSUF_STORAGE_FREED)
Save As : (STS_SA_IMAGE)
Replication Sources: 0 ( )
Replication Targets: 0 ( )
```

```
Maximum Transfer: 2147483647
Block Size: 512
Allocation Size: 0
Size: 80525455360
Physical Size: 0
Bytes Used: 2285355008
Physical Bytes Used: 0
Resident Images: 0
```

```
>bpstsinfo -lsuinfo -storage_server pan2 -stype Pan
LSU Info:
```

```
Server Name: pan2
LSU Name: dv01
Allocation : STS_LSU_AT_STATIC
Storage: STS_LSU_ST_NONE
Description: E:\
Configuration:
Media: (STS_LSUF_DISK | STS_LSUF_STORAGE_FREED | STS_LSUF_REP_ENABLED |
      STS_LSUF_REP_TARGET)
Save As : (STS_SA_IMAGE)
Replication Sources: 1 ( Pan:pan1:dv01 )
Replication Targets: 0 ( )
Maximum Transfer: 2147483647
Block Size: 512
Allocation Size: 0
Size: 80525455360
Physical Size: 0
Bytes Used: 2285355008
Physical Bytes Used: 0
Resident Images: 0
```

```
LSU Info:
```

```
Server Name: pan2
LSU Name: dv02
Allocation : STS_LSU_AT_STATIC
Storage: STS_LSU_ST_NONE
Description: E:\
Configuration:
Media: (STS_LSUF_DISK | STS_LSUF_STORAGE_FREED | STS_LSUF_REP_ENABLED |
      STS_LSUF_REP_TARGET)
Save As : (STS_SA_IMAGE)
Replication Sources: 1 ( Pan:pan1:dv02 )
Replication Targets: 0 ( )
Maximum Transfer: 2147483647
```

```
Block Size: 512
Allocation Size: 0
Size: 80525455360
Physical Size: 0
Bytes Used: 2285355008
Physical Bytes Used: 0
Resident Images: 0
```

LSU Info:

```
Server Name: pan2
LSU Name: dv03
Allocation : STS_LSU_AT_STATIC
Storage: STS_LSU_ST_NONE
Description: E:\
Configuration:
Media: (STS_LSUF_DISK | STS_LSUF_STORAGE_FREED)
Save As : (STS_SA_IMAGE)
Replication Sources: 0 ( )
Replication Targets: 0 ( )
Maximum Transfer: 2147483647
Block Size: 512
Allocation Size: 0
Size: 80525455360
Physical Size: 0
Bytes Used: 2285355008
Physical Bytes Used: 0
Resident Images: 0
```

## About the storage lifecycle policies required for Auto Image Replication

To replicate images from the one NetBackup domain to another NetBackup domain requires that two storage lifecycle policies be configured:

- In the first (originating) NetBackup domain:  
One SLP that contains at least one **Backup** operation and one **Replication** operation that is configured to replicate to a target NetBackup domain. (The Auto Image Replication SLP.)
- In the second, target NetBackup domain:  
One SLP that contains an **Import** operation to import the replication. (The Import SLP.) The Import SLP can be configured to create additional copies in that domain or to cascade the copies to another domain.

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**Note:** Both SLPs must have identical names.

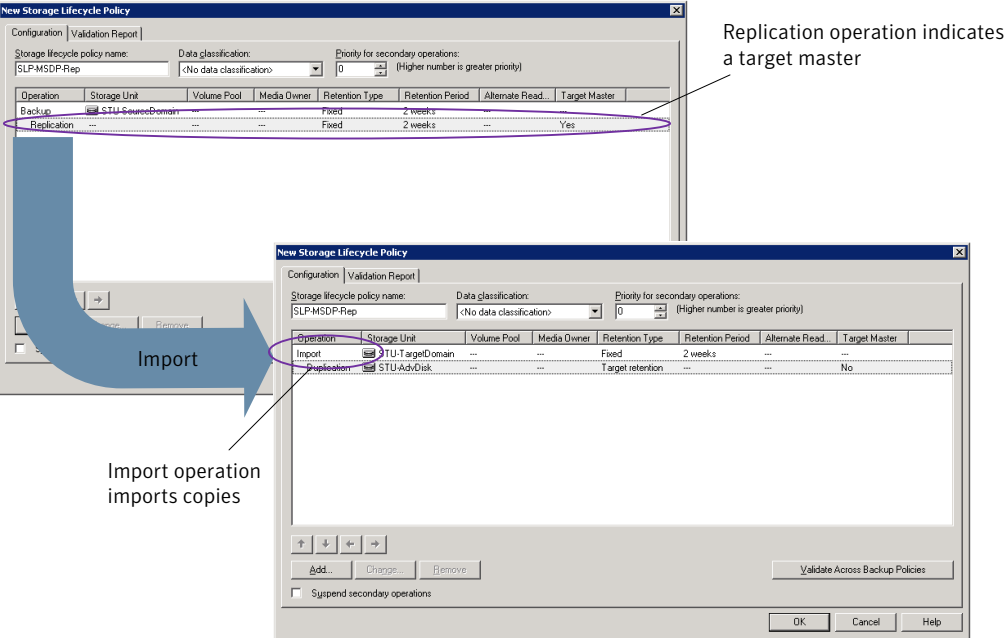
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Figure 20-2 shows how the SLP in the target domain is set up to replicate the images from the originating master server domain.

Figure 20-2 Storage lifecycle policy pair required for Auto Image Replication

SLP on master server in the source domain



SLP that imports the copies to the target domain

Table 20-3 describes the requirements for each SLP in the pair.

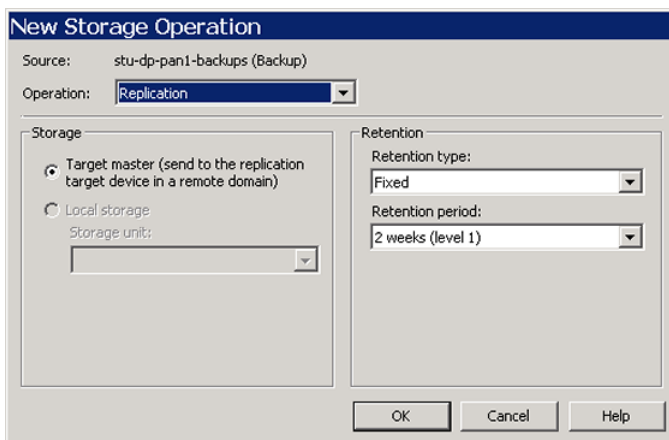
Table 20-3 SLP requirements for Auto Image Replication

| Domain                           | Storage lifecycle policy requirements                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Domain 1<br>(Originating domain) | <p>The Auto Image Replication SLP must meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The SLP must have the same name as the Import SLP in Domain 2.</li><li>■ The SLP must be of the same data classification as the Import SLP in Domain 2.</li><li>■ The <b>Backup</b> operation must be to an OpenStorage (OST) appliance or Media Server Deduplication Pool (MSDP). Indicate the exact storage unit from the drop-down list. Do not select <b>Any Available</b>.</li></ul> <p><b>Note:</b> The target domain must contain the same type of storage to import the image.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ At least one operation must be a <b>Replication</b> operation with the <b>Target master</b> option selected. See <a href="#">Figure 20-3</a> on page 887.</li></ul> <p>Multiple <b>Replication</b> operations can be configured in an Auto Image Replication SLP. The master server in Domain 1 does not know which target media server will be selected. If multiple SLPs in target domains meet the criteria, NetBackup imports copies in all qualifying domains. See <a href="#">“New or Change Storage Operation dialog box settings”</a> on page 553.</p> |
| Domain 2<br>(Target domain)      | <p>The Import SLP must meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The SLP must have the same name as the SLP in Domain 1 described above. The matching name indicates to the SLP which images to process.</li><li>■ The SLP must be of the same data classification as the SLP in Domain 1 described above. Matching the data classification keeps a consistent meaning to the classification and facilitates global reporting by data classification.</li><li>■ The first operation in the SLP must be an <b>Import</b> operation. Indicate the exact storage unit from the drop-down list. Do not select <b>Any Available</b>. See <a href="#">Figure 20-4</a> on page 887.</li><li>■ The SLP must contain at least one <b>Replication</b> operation that has the <b>Target retention</b> specified.</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

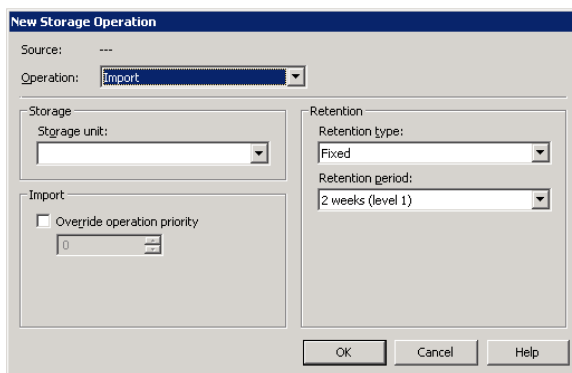
The following topic describes useful reporting information about Auto Image Replication jobs and import jobs.

See [“Reporting on Auto Image Replication jobs ”](#) on page 895.

**Figure 20-3** Replication operation with Target master option selected in Domain 1 storage lifecycle policy



**Figure 20-4** Import operation in Domain 2 storage lifecycle policy



See [“Creating a storage lifecycle policy”](#) on page 540.

## Customizing how nbstserv runs duplication and import jobs

The NetBackup Storage Lifecycle Manager (`nbstserv`) runs replication, duplication, and import jobs. Both the Duplication Manager service and the Import Manager service run within `nbstserv`.

The NetBackup administrator can customize how `nbstserv` runs jobs by adding parameters to the `LIFECYCLE_PARAMETERS` file.

See [“LIFECYCLE\\_PARAMETERS file for optional SLP-managed job configuration”](#) on page 584.

## One-to-many Auto Image Replication model

In this configuration, all copies are made in parallel. The copies are made within the context of one NetBackup job and simultaneously within the originating storage server context. If one target storage server fails, the entire job fails and is retried later.

All copies have the same **Target Retention**. To achieve different **Target Retention** settings in each target master server domain, either create multiple source copies or cascade duplication to target master servers.

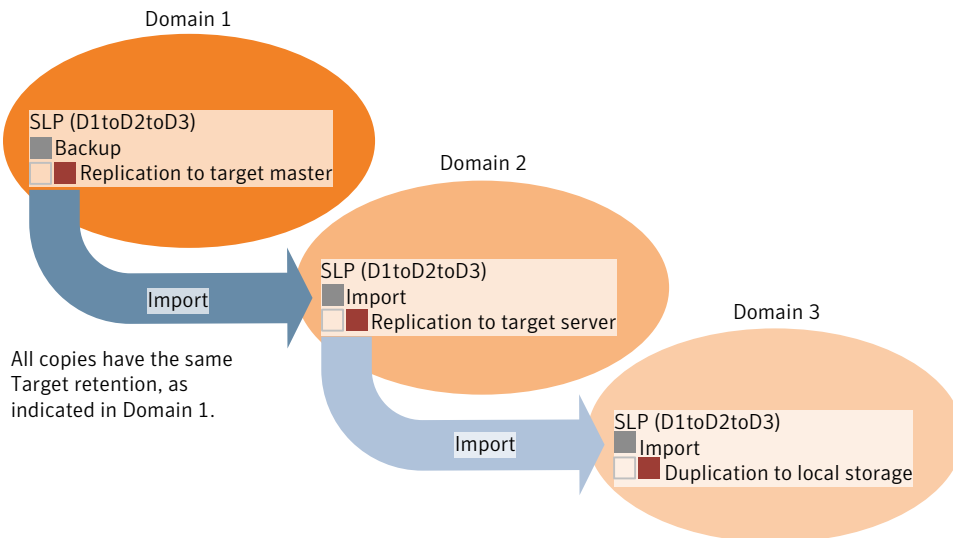
## Cascading Auto Image Replication model

Replications can be cascaded from the originating domain to multiple domains. To do so, storage lifecycle policies are set up in each domain to anticipate the originating image, import it and then replicate it to the next target master.

Figure 20-5 represents the following cascading configuration across three domains.

- The image is created in Domain 1, and then replicated to the target Domain 2.
- The image is imported in Domain 2, and then replicated to a target Domain 3.
- The image is then imported into Domain 3.

Figure 20-5 Cascading Auto Image Replication



In the cascading model, the originating master server for Domain 2 and Domain 3 is the master server in Domain 1.

**Note:** When the image is replicated in Domain 3, the replication notification event initially indicates that the master server in Domain 2 is the originating master server. However, when the image is successfully imported into Domain 3, this information is updated to correctly indicate that the originating master server is in Domain 1.

The cascading model presents a special case for the Import SLP that will replicate the imported copy to a target master. (This is the master server that is neither the first nor the last in the string of target master servers.)

As discussed previously, the requirements for an Import SLP include at least one operation that uses a **Fixed** retention type and at least one operation that uses a **Target Retention** type. So that the Import SLP can satisfy these requirements, the import operation must use a **Target Retention**.

Table 20-4 shows the difference in the import operation setup.

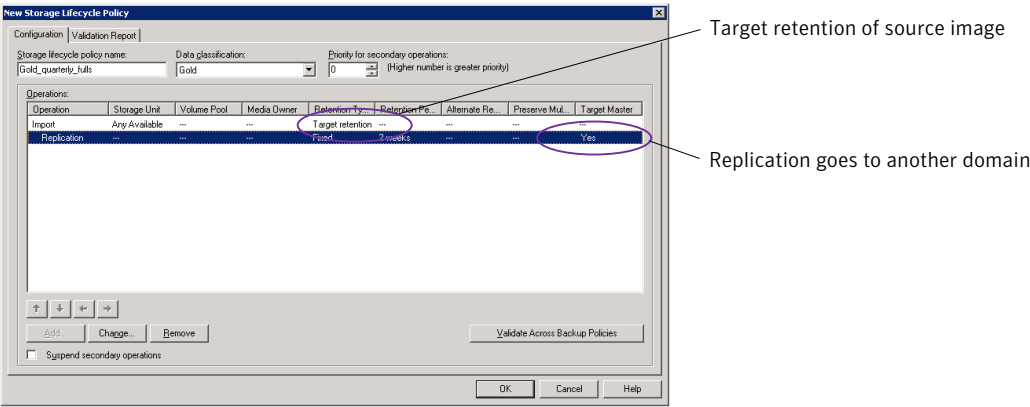
**Table 20-4** Import operation difference in an SLP configured to replicate the imported copy

| Import operation criteria                                             | Import operation in a cascading model                                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The first operation must be an import operation.                      | Same; no difference.                                                                                     |
| A replication to target master must use a <b>Fixed</b> retention type | Same; no difference.                                                                                     |
| At least one operation must use the <b>Target retention</b> .         | Here is the difference:<br>To meet the criteria, the import operation must use <b>Target retention</b> . |

The target retention is embedded in the source image.

Because the imported copy is the copy being replicated to a target master server domain, the fixed retention (three weeks in this example) on the replication to target master operation is ignored. The target retention is used instead. (See Figure 20-6.)

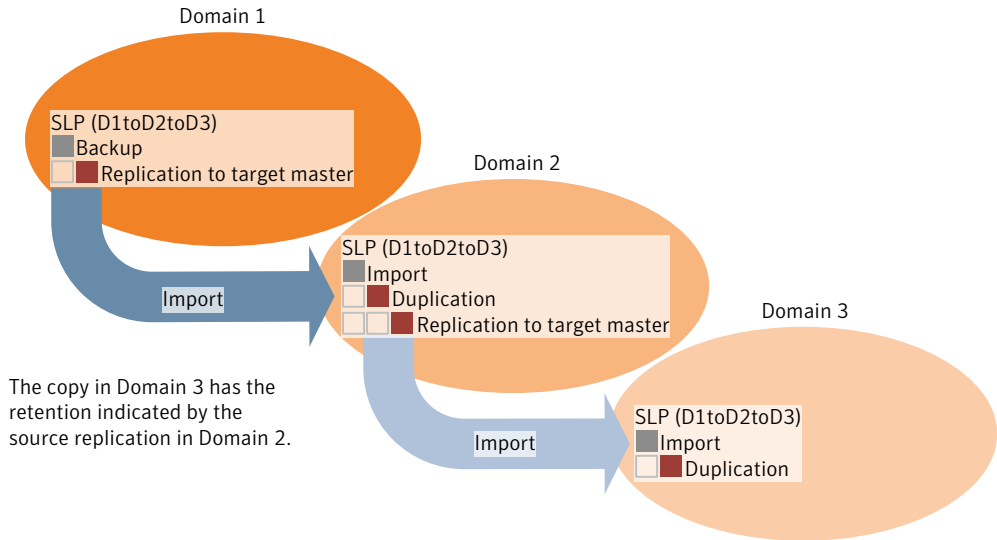
**Figure 20-6** Storage lifecycle policy configured to replicate the imported copy



In the cascading model that is represented in [Figure 20-5](#), all copies have the same **Target Retention**—the **Target Retention** indicated in Domain 1.

For the copy in Domain 3 to have a different target retention, add an intermediary replication operation to the Domain 2 storage lifecycle policy. The intermediary replication operation acts as the source for the replication to target master. Since the target retention is embedded in the source image, the copy in Domain 3 honors the retention level that is set for the intermediary replication operation.

**Figure 20-7** Cascading replications to target master servers, with various target retentions



## How to resolve volume changes for Auto Image Replication

When you open the **Change Disk Pool** dialog box, NetBackup loads the disk pool properties from the catalog. NetBackup only queries the storage server for changes when you click the **Refresh** in the **Change Disk Pool** dialog box.

Symantec recommends that you take the following actions when the volume topology change:

- Discuss the changes with the storage administrator. You need to understand the changes so you can change your disk pools (if required) so that NetBackup can continue to use them.
- If the changes were not planned for NetBackup, request that the changes be reverted so that NetBackup functions correctly again.

NetBackup can process changes to the following volume properties:

- Replication Source
- Replication Target
- None

If these volume properties change, NetBackup can update the disk pool to match the changes. NetBackup can continue to use the disk pool, although the disk pool may no longer match the storage unit or storage lifecycle purpose.

[Table 20-5](#) describes the possible outcomes and describes how to resolve them.

**Table 20-5** Refresh outcomes

| Outcome                                                                | Description                                                                                                                                                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| No changes are discovered.                                             | No changes are required.                                                                                                                                        |
| NetBackup discovers the new volumes that you can add to the disk pool. | The new volumes appear in the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box. Text in the dialog box changes to indicate that you can add the new volumes to the disk pool. |

Table 20-5 Refresh outcomes (continued)

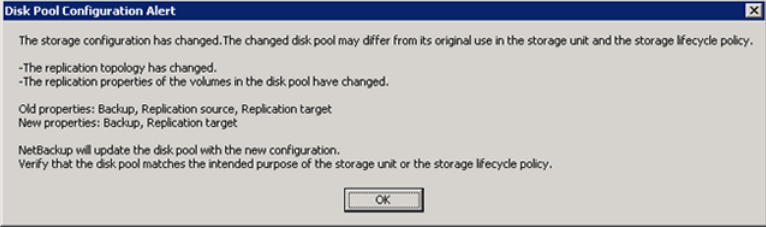
| Outcome                                                                                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The replication properties of all of the volumes changed, but they are still consistent. | <p>A <b>Disk Pool Configuration Alert</b> pop-up box notifies you that the properties of all of the volumes in the disk pool changed, but they are all the same (homogeneous).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|                                                                                          | <p>You must click <b>OK</b> in the alert box, after which the disk pool properties in the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box are updated to match the new volume properties.</p> <p>If new volumes are available that match the new properties, NetBackup displays those volumes in the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box. You can add those new volumes to the disk pool.</p> <p>In the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box, select one of the following two choices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ <b>OK.</b> To accept the disk pool changes, click <b>OK</b> in the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box. NetBackup saves the new properties of the disk pool.<br/>NetBackup can use the disk pool, but it may no longer match the intended purpose of the storage unit or storage lifecycle policy. Change the storage lifecycle policy definitions to ensure that the replication operations use the correct source and target disk pools, storage units, and storage unit groups. Alternatively, work with your storage administrator to change the volume properties back to their original values.</li><li>■ <b>Cancel.</b> To discard the changes, click <b>Cancel</b> in the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box. NetBackup does not save the new disk pool properties. NetBackup can use the disk pool, but it may no longer match the intended use of the storage unit or storage lifecycle policy.</li></ul> |



Table 20-5Refresh outcomes (continued)



| Outcome                                                                           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| The replication properties of the volumes changed, and they are now inconsistent. | <p>A <b>Disk Pool Configuration Error</b> pop-up box notifies you that the replication properties of some of the volumes in the disk pool changed. The properties of the volumes in the disk pool are not homogeneous.</p> <div></div> <p>You must click <b>OK</b> in the alert box.</p> <p>In the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box, the properties of the disk pool are unchanged, and you cannot select them (that is, they are dimmed). However, the properties of the individual volumes are updated.</p> <p>Because the volume properties are not homogeneous, NetBackup cannot use the disk pool until the storage configuration is fixed.</p> <p>NetBackup does not display new volumes (if available) because the volumes already in the disk pool are not homogeneous.</p> <p>To determine what has changed, compare the disk pool properties to the volume properties.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Viewing the replication topology for Auto Image Replication”</a> on page 879.</p> <p>Work with your storage administrator to change the volume properties back to their original values.</p> <p>The disk pool remains unusable until the properties of the volumes in the disk pool are homogenous.</p> <p>In the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box, click <b>OK</b> or <b>Cancel</b> to exit the <b>Change Disk Pool</b> dialog box.</p> |

Table 20-5 Refresh outcomes (continued)

| Outcome                                                               | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NetBackup cannot find a volume or volumes that were in the disk pool. | <p>A <b>Disk Pool Configuration Alert</b> pop-up box notifies you that an existing volume or volumes was deleted from the storage device:</p> <div><div>Disk Pool Configuration Alert</div><div> An existing volume in this disk pool cannot be found on the storage device and is no longer available to NetBackup. The volume might be offline or deleted. If deleted, any data on that volume is lost.</div><div>Volume(s) deleted: dv02</div><div>Refer to documentation for information on how to resolve this issue.</div><div>OK</div></div> |

## About restoring from a backup at a target master domain

While it is possible to restore a client directly by using the images in the target master domain, do so only in a disaster recovery situation. In this discussion, a disaster recovery situation is one in which the originating domain no longer exists and clients must be recovered from the target domain.

Table 20-6 Client restores in disaster recovery scenarios

| Disaster recovery scenario | Does client exist? | Description                                                                                                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Scenario 1                 | Yes                | Configure the client in another domain and restore directly to the client.                                     |
| Scenario 2                 | No                 | Create the client in the recovery domain and restore directly to the client. This is the most likely scenario. |

**Table 20-6** Client restores in disaster recovery scenarios (*continued*)

| Disaster recovery scenario | Does client exist? | Description                                                 |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Scenario 3                 | No                 | Perform an alternate client restore in the recovery domain. |

The steps to recover the client are the same as any other client recovery. The actual steps depend on the client type, the storage type, and whether the recovery is an alternate client restore.

For restores that use Granular Recovery Technology (GRT), an application instance must exist in the recovery domain. The application instance is required so that NetBackup has something to recover to.

For information on granular recovery, see the following topics and guides:

- See [“Active Directory granular backups and recovery”](#) on page 754.
- See [“Enable granular recovery \(policy attribute\)”](#) on page 644.
- See [“Configuring a UNIX or Linux media server and Windows clients for backups and restores that use Granular Recovery Technology”](#) on page 1045.
- *NetBackup for Microsoft SharePoint Server Administrator's Guide*
- *NetBackup for Microsoft Exchange Server Administrator's Guide*

## Reporting on Auto Image Replication jobs

The Activity Monitor displays both the **Replication** job and the **Import** job in a configuration that replicates to a target master server domain.

**Table 20-7** Auto Image Replication jobs in the Activity Monitor

| Job type           | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Replication</b> | <p>The job that replicates a backup image to a target master displays in the Activity Monitor as a <b>Replication</b> job. The <b>Target Master</b> label displays in the <b>Storage Unit</b> column for this type of job.</p> <p>Similar to other <b>Replication</b> jobs, the job that replicates images to a target master can work on multiple backup images in one instance.</p> <p>The detailed status for this job contains a list of the backup IDs that were replicated.</p> |

Table 20-7      Auto Image Replication jobs in the Activity Monitor *(continued)*

| Job type | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Import   | <p>The job that imports a backup copy into the target master domain displays in the Activity Monitor as an <b>Import</b> job. An <b>Import</b> job can import multiple copies in one instance. The detailed status for an <b>Import</b> job contains a list of processed backup IDs and a list of failed backup IDs.</p> <p>Note that a successful replication does not confirm that the image was imported at the target master.</p> <p>If the SLP names or data classifications are not the same in both domains, the <b>Import</b> job fails and NetBackup does not attempt to import the image again.</p> <p>Failed <b>Import</b> jobs fail with a status 191 and appear in the <b>Problems</b> report when run on the target master server.</p> <p>The image is expired and deleted during an <b>Image Cleanup</b> job. Note that the originating domain (Domain 1) does not track failed imports.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Running a report”</a> on page 949.</p> |

## About Replication Director

Replication Director is the implementation of NetBackup OpenStorage-managed snapshots and snapshot replication, where the snapshots are stored on the storage systems of partnering companies. Storage replication technology provides an efficient means to send copies of user data (files, applications, databases) to off-site storage as part of a disaster recovery plan.

Replication Director offers a single NetBackup interface for end-to-end data protection management for the following tasks:

- Unified policy management.  
Use the **NetBackup Administration Console** as the one, centralized backup infrastructure to manage the lifecycle of all data. Multiple data centers can replicate to one disaster recovery domain or one data center. Additional media servers are not needed in the remote data centers.
- Snapshot copy management.  
Use NetBackup to manage the entire lifecycle of the snapshot. For example, create a storage lifecycle policy that contains operations that act as instructions to create the initial snapshot, to create copies by duplication or replication, and to configure the retention period for each of the copies. Additional operations can be included in the SLP that create a backup from the snapshot, index the snapshot, and more.  
See the following for a description of the available storage lifecycle policy operations:  
See [“Operation types in a storage lifecycle policy”](#) on page 572.

- **Snapshot copy monitoring.**  
Use NetBackup OpsCenter to monitor the creation of each copy at each storage location. OpsCenter provides extensive reporting on the entire replication environment.
- **Global search and restore.**  
Recovery is available from any storage device in the environment that is defined to NetBackup. This includes recovery from the primary copy or any replicated copy on disk, or from any duplicated copy on disk or tape.

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**Note:** NetBackup 7.5 supports rollback restore from copy one only.

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Replication Director makes use of OpenStorage, a Symantec API that lets NetBackup communicate with the storage implementations that conform to the API.

For more information, see the *NetBackup OpenStorage Solutions Guide for Disk*.

Replication Director uses NetApp functions to perform the following:

- **Share disks.**  
Multiple heterogeneous media servers can access the same disk volume concurrently.
- **Balance loads and tune performance.**  
NetBackup balances backup jobs and storage usage among the media servers and disk pools.
- **Make full use of disk array capabilities, including fast storage provisioning and almost unlimited storage.**
- **As an alternative to offsite vaulting.**

For more information, see the *NetBackup Replication Director Solutions Guide*.



# Monitoring and reporting

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# Monitoring NetBackup activity

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## About the Activity Monitor

Use the Activity Monitor in the **NetBackup Administration Console** to monitor and control the following aspects of NetBackup:

|         |                                                                                                            |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jobs    | See <a href="#">“About the Jobs tab”</a> on page 904.<br>The job details are described in the online Help. |
| Daemons | See <a href="#">“About the Daemons tab”</a> on page 910.                                                   |

Processes

See [“About the Processes tab”](#) on page 919.

As long as the Activity Monitor is active in the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**, the `bpj obd` daemon supplies the job activity status to the Activity Monitor.

Updates to the Activity Monitor occur as jobs are initiated, updated, and completed. Without a refresh cycle, updates occur instantaneously.

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**Note:** The **Filter** option on the **View** menu is useful for displaying in Activity Monitor only those jobs with specified characteristics. For example, the jobs that were started before a specific date; jobs in the queued state; jobs with status completion codes within a specified range.

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The status bar appears in the **Jobs** tab, at the top of the Activity Monitor **Details** pane. The status bar displays the following information:

- The master server on which the jobs reside.
- The total number of jobs.
- The number of jobs in each of the job states: Active, Queued, Waiting for Retry, Suspended, Incomplete, and Done.
- The number of jobs currently selected.
- The number of NetBackup daemons that run.

The numbers always reflect the actual number of jobs, even when the filter is used.

## Setting Activity Monitor options

The following procedure describes how to set the options for the **NetBackup Administration Console** Activity Monitor.

### To set options for the Activity Monitor

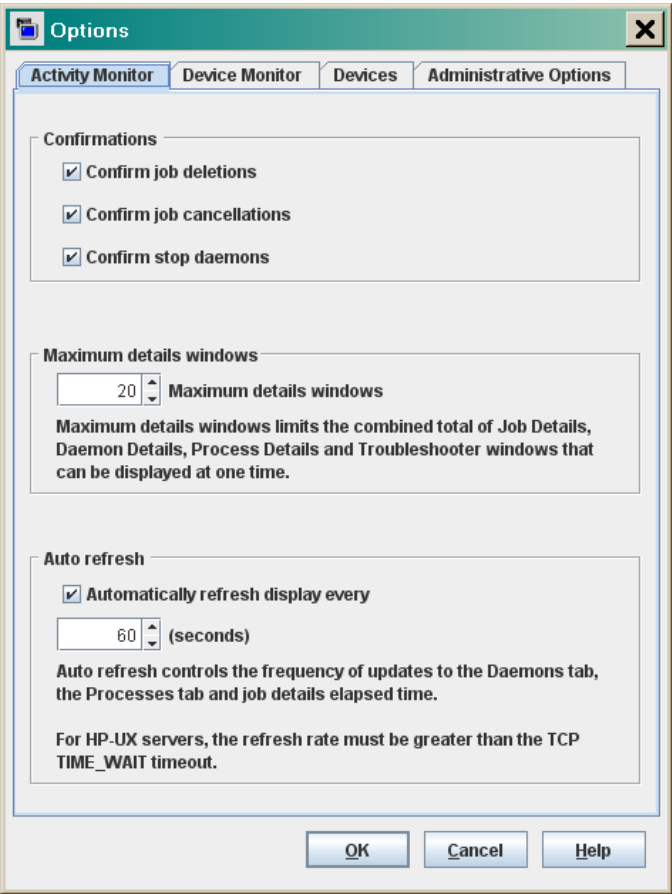
- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the menu bar, click **View > Options** and select the **Activity Monitor** tab to access configurable options for the Activity Monitor.
- 2 Check one of the following options to receive a confirmation warning.

|                                  |                                                                           |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Confirm job deletions</b>     | Prompts the user with a confirmation dialog box when a job is deleted.    |
| <b>Confirm job cancellations</b> | Prompts the user with a confirmation dialog box when a job is canceled.   |
| <b>Confirm stop daemons</b>      | Prompts the user with a confirmation dialog box when a daemon is stopped. |

Check **In the future, do not show this warning** in the **Warning** dialog box to discontinue further confirmations.

- 3 Enter the **Maximum details windows** value to display the number of Activity Monitor details windows that you want to appear at one time.
- 4 Check the **Automatically refresh display every** option to set a refresh frequency. The refresh frequency applies to data on the **Daemons** tab and the **Processes** tab. Other **Jobs** tab data is refreshed independently of this setting.
- 5 Click **OK** to close the dialog box and apply the changes if you made any changes.

Figure 21-1 Options dialog box



# About the Jobs tab

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, the **Jobs** tab in the Activity Monitor displays all of the jobs that are in process or that have completed for the master server currently selected. The **Jobs** tab also displays details about the jobs. The job details are described in the online Help.

For some backup jobs, a parent job is used to perform pre- and post-processing. Parent jobs display a dash (-) in the Schedule column. A parent job runs the start and end notify scripts (PARENT\_START\_NOTIFY, PARENT\_END\_NOTIFY) from the master server:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/
```

The role of the parent job is to initiate requested tasks in the form of children jobs.

The tasks vary, depending on the backup environment, as follows.

**Table 21-1** Tasks initiated by parent jobs

| Task                  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Snapshot Client       | <p>The parent job creates the snapshot, initiates children jobs, and deletes the snapshot when complete.</p> <p>Children jobs are created if the Snapshot Client settings are configured to retain snapshots for Instant Recovery, then copy snapshots to a storage unit. (<b>Snapshots and copy snapshots to a storage unit</b> is selected in the policy <b>Schedule Attributes</b> tab.)</p> <p>Children jobs are not created if the Snapshot Client settings are configured to retain snapshots for Instant Recovery, but to create snapshots only. That is, the snapshot is not backed up to a storage unit, so no children jobs are generated. (<b>Snapshots only</b> is selected in the policy <b>Schedule Attributes</b> tab.)</p> |
| Bare Metal Restore    | <p>The parent job runs <code>brmsavecfg</code>, then initiates the backup as a child job. If multistreaming and BMR are used together, the parent job can start multiple children jobs.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Catalog backups       | <p>The parent job for catalog backups works with <code>bpdbm</code> to initiate multiple children backup jobs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ A Sybase backup</li> <li>■ A file system backup of the master server</li> <li>■ A backup of the BMR database, if necessary</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Multiple copies       | <p>See “<a href="#">Multiple copies (schedule attribute)</a>” on page 675.</p> <p>A multiple copies job produces one parent job and multiple child jobs. Child jobs that are part of a multiple copies parent job cannot be restarted individually. Only the parent job (and subsequently all the children jobs) can be restarted.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Multiple data streams | <p>The parent job performs stream discovery and initiates children jobs. A parent job does not display a schedule in the Activity Monitor. Instead, a dash (-) appears for the schedule because the parent schedule is not used and the children schedules may be different. The children jobs display the ID of the parent job in the Activity Monitor.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| SharePoint            | <p>The parent job runs a resolver process during which children jobs are started. This process is similar to the stream discovery for multiple data streams. If multiple data streams are enabled, some children jobs can be split into multiple streams.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Vault                 | <p>The parent job starts the Vault profile. Then, the Vault profile starts the duplicates as jobs. The duplicates do not appear as children jobs in the Activity Monitor.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

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**Note:** If the EMM server is remote to the master server, the master server must be able to reach the PBX/EMM port 1556 and the Sybase Database ODBC port 2638 on the EMM server. If a firewall prevents these connections, `bpjobjd` cannot communicate with the EMM server and the Activity Monitor cannot display or update jobs.

For more information, see the *Troubleshooting Guide*.

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## Viewing job details

The following procedure describes how to view job details.

### To view job details

- ◆ In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, click **Activity Monitor**. To view the details for a specific job, double-click on the job displayed in the **Jobs** tab pane. The **Job Details** dialog box appears that contains detailed job information on two tabs: a **Job Overview** tab and a **Detailed Status** tab.

Not all columns appear by default. Click **View > Column Layout** to show or hide columns.

## Showing or hiding column heads

The following procedure describes how to show or hide column heads.

### To show or hide column heads

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor.
- 2 Click **View > Column Layout**. The **Column Layout** dialog box appears.
- 3 Select the heading you want to display or hide.
  - Select the **Show** button to display the heading.
  - Select the **Hide** button if you do not want to see the column head.
- 4 To change the order in which the columns appear, select the column head. Then, click the **Move Up** button or the **Move Down** button to reorder the columns.
- 5 Click **OK** to apply the changes.

## Monitoring the detailed status of a selected job

The following procedure describes how to monitor the detailed status of a job.

**To monitor the detailed status of a selected job**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor and select the **Jobs** tab.
- 2 Select the job(s) for which you want to view details.
- 3 Select **Actions > Details**.

## Deleting completed jobs

The following procedure describes how to delete a completed job.

**To delete completed jobs**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor and select the **Jobs** tab.
- 2 Select the job(s) you want to delete.
- 3 Select **Edit > Delete**.

## Canceling a job that has not completed

The following procedure describes how to cancel a job that has not completed.

**To cancel a job that has not completed**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor and select the **Jobs** tab.
- 2 Select the job that has not completed that you want to cancel. It may be a job that is in the Queued, Re-Queued, Active, Incomplete, or Suspended state.
- 3 Select **Actions > Cancel Job**.

If the selected job is a parent job, all the children of that parent job are canceled as well.

In most cases, a canceled child job cancels only that job and allows the other child jobs to continue. One exception is multiple copies created as part of a policy or a storage lifecycle policy: canceling a child job cancels the parent job and all child jobs.

- 4 To cancel all jobs in the jobs list that have not completed, click **Actions > Cancel All Jobs**.

## Restarting a completed job

The following procedure describes how to restart a completed job.

#### To restart a completed job

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor and select the **Jobs** tab.
- 2 Select the completed job you want to restart.
- 3 Select **Actions > Restart Job**. In this case, a new job ID is created for the job. The job details for the original job references the job ID of the new job.

## Suspending restore or backup jobs

The following procedure describes how to suspend restore or backup jobs.

#### To suspend a restore or a backup job

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor and select the **Jobs** tab.
- 2 Select the job you want to suspend.  
  
Only the backup and the restore jobs that contain checkpoints can be suspended.
- 3 Select **Actions > Suspend Job**.

## Resuming suspended or incomplete jobs

The following procedure describes how to resume suspended or incomplete jobs.

#### To resume a suspended or an incomplete job

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor and select the **Jobs** tab.
- 2 Select the suspended or the incomplete job you want to resume.  
  
Only the backup and the restore jobs that contain checkpoints can be suspended.
- 3 Select **Actions > Resume Job**.

## Printing job list information

The following procedure describes how to print job list information from a list of jobs.



**To print job list information from a list of jobs**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor and select the **Jobs** tab.
- 2 Select a job to print. Hold down the Control or Shift key to select multiple jobs. If no job is selected, all jobs print.
- 3 Select **File > Print**.

## Exporting Activity Monitor data to a text file

The following procedure describes how to export Activity Monitor data to a text file.

**To export Activity Monitor data to a text file**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, open the Activity Monitor.
- 2 From any Activity Monitor tab, select **File > Export**.
- 3 Select whether to export all rows or only the rows currently selected.
- 4 Enter the full path to the file where you want the job data to be written, then click **Save**.

## Changing the Job Priority dynamically from the Activity Monitor

To dynamically change the priority of a job, select one or more queued or active jobs that wait for resources. Then, either from the **Actions** menu or by right-clicking the job, select **Change Job Priority**.

Select one of the following methods to change the job priority.

**Table 21-2** Change Job Priority options

| Option                               | Description                                              |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Set Job Priority to</b>           | Enters the specific job priority for the selected jobs.  |
| <b>Increment the Job Priority by</b> | Raises the priority of the job by the selected internal. |
| <b>Decrement the Job Priority by</b> | Lowers the priority of the job by the selected internal. |

Changes in the **Change job priority** dialog box affect the priority for the selected job only, and not all other jobs of that type.

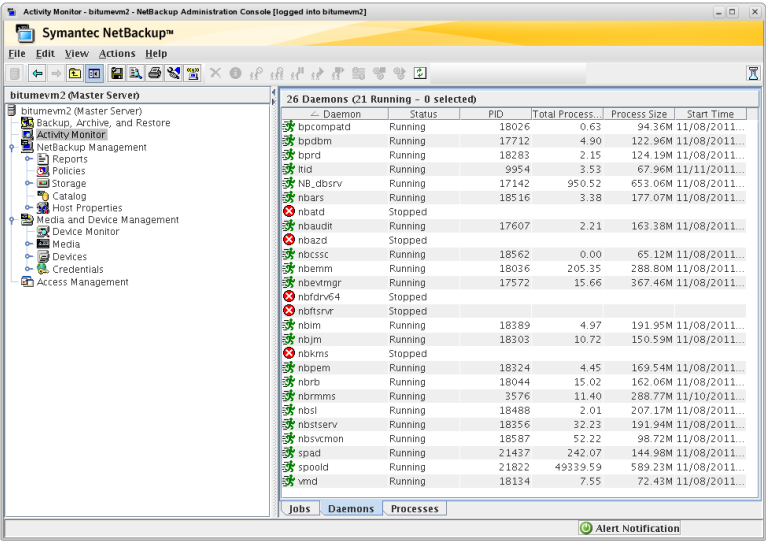
To change the job priority defaults, use the **Default Job Priorities** host properties.

See “Default Job Priorities properties” on page 118.

## About the Daemons tab

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, the Activity Monitor **Daemons** tab displays the status of NetBackup daemons on the selected master server.

Figure 21-2 Daemons tab in the Activity Monitor



Not all columns appear by default. Click **View > Column Layout** to show or hide columns.

Table 21-3 NetBackup daemons

| Daemon                                             | Description                                                                                                                  |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NetBackup Authentication (nbatd)                   | NetBackup Product Authentication validates identities and forms the basis for authorization and access control in NetBackup. |
| NetBackup Authorization (nbazd)                    | NetBackup Product Authorization provides access control in NetBackup applications.                                           |
| NetBackup Bare Metal Restore Master Server (bmr d) | Appears if Bare Metal Restore is installed.                                                                                  |

**Table 21-3** NetBackup daemons (*continued*)

| Daemon                                             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NetBackup Client Service<br>(bpinetd)              | <p>Listens for connections from NetBackup servers in the network and when an authorized connection is made, starts the necessary NetBackup process to service the connection.</p> <p>The service cannot be stopped from the Activity Monitor because it receives data that appears in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>. If it is stopped, the console cannot display the data.</p>              |
| NetBackup Cloud Storage Service Container (nbcssc) | <p>Performs functions related to NetBackup Cloud Storage.</p> <p>For more information, see the <i>NetBackup Cloud Administrator's Guide</i>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| NetBackup Compatibility Service<br>(bpcompatd)     | Service that is used to communicate with legacy NetBackup services.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| NetBackup Database Manager<br>(bpdbm)              | Manages the NetBackup internal databases and catalogs. BPDBM must be running on the NetBackup master server during all normal NetBackup operations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| NetBackup Deduplication Engine<br>(spoold)         | <p>Daemon that runs on the NetBackup deduplication storage server host. This daemon stores and manages deduplicated client data. The name <code>spoold</code> is short for storage pool daemon; do not confuse it with a print spooler daemon.</p> <p>Active only if the NetBackup Deduplication Option is licensed and the media server is configured as a deduplication storage server.</p>              |
| NetBackup Deduplication Manager<br>(spad)          | <p>Daemon that runs on the NetBackup deduplication storage server host. This daemon maintains the NetBackup deduplication configuration, controls deduplication internal processes, controls replication, controls security, and controls event escalation.</p> <p>Active only if the NetBackup Deduplication Option is licensed and the media server is configured as a deduplication storage server.</p> |
| NetBackup Device Manager (ltid)                    | Starts the Volume Manager (vmd), the automatic volume recognition process (avrd), and any robotic processes. Processes the requests to mount and dismount tapes in robotically controlled devices through the robotic control processes. Mounts the volumes on the tape devices in response to user requests.                                                                                              |
| NetBackup Enterprise Media Manager (nbemm)         | <p>Accesses and manages the database where media and device configuration information is stored (EMM_DATA.db). nbemm.exe must be running in order for jobs to run.</p> <p>The service cannot be stopped from the Activity Monitor because it receives data that appears in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>. If it is stopped, the console cannot display the data.</p>                         |

**Table 21-3** NetBackup daemons (*continued*)

| Daemon                                                         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NetBackup Event Management Service ( <i>nbevtmgr</i> )         | Provides the communication infrastructure to pass information and events between distributed NetBackup components. Runs on the same system as the NetBackup Enterprise Media Manager.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| NetBackup Job Manager ( <i>nbjm</i> )                          | Accepts the jobs that the Policy Execution Manager ( <i>nbpem</i> ) submits and acquires the necessary resources. The Job Manager then starts the job and informs <i>nbpem</i> that the job is completed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| NetBackup Key Management Service ( <i>nbkms</i> )              | A master server-based symmetric Key Management Service that provides encryption keys to media server <i>BPTM</i> processes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| NetBackup Policy Execution Manager ( <i>nbpem</i> )            | Creates Policy/Client tasks and determines when jobs are due to run. If a policy is modified or if an image expires, <i>nbpem</i> is notified and the Policy/Client task objects are updated.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| NetBackup Relational Database Manager ( <i>NB_dbsrv</i> )      | Manages the NetBackup relational database. The service must be running on the NetBackup Enterprise Media Manager server during all normal NetBackup operations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| NetBackup Remote Manager and Monitor Service ( <i>nbrmms</i> ) | Discovers and monitors disk storage on NetBackup media servers. Also discovers, monitors, and manages Fibre Transport (FT) connections on media servers and clients for the NetBackup SAN Client option. Runs on NetBackup media servers.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| NetBackup Remote Network Transport Service ( <i>nbrntd</i> )   | <p>Manages the socket connections between a NetBackup media server and a client that is configured for resilient communication. This service runs on the NetBackup master server, NetBackup media servers, and clients. NetBackup starts this service when resilient connections are required between hosts. The service stops when resilient connections are no longer required.</p> <p>One instance of the service can process 256 connections. Multiple instances of the service can run simultaneously.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">NBRNTD_IDLE_TIMEOUT bp.conf entry for UNIX servers</a>” on page 263.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Resilient Network properties</a>” on page 194.</p> |
| NetBackup Request Daemon ( <i>bprd</i> )                       | Processes the requests from NetBackup clients and servers. <i>bprd</i> also prompts NetBackup to perform automatically scheduled backups. <i>bprd</i> must be running on the NetBackup master server to perform any backups or restores.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| NetBackup Resource Broker ( <i>nbrb</i> )                      | <p>Allocates the storage units, tape drives, and client reservations for jobs. <i>nbrb</i> works with the Enterprise Media Manager (<i>NBEMM</i>).</p> <p>The <i>nbrbutil</i> utility can be used to add or change the Resource Broker settings.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Using the nbrbutil utility to configure the NetBackup Resource Broker</a>” on page 913.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

**Table 21-3** NetBackup daemons (*continued*)

| Daemon                                                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NetBackup Service Layer ( <i>nbsl</i> )                      | <p>Facilitates the communication between the NetBackup graphical user interface and NetBackup logic. NBSL is required to run Symantec OpsCenter, an application that manages and monitors multiple NetBackup environments.</p> <p>The service cannot be stopped from the Activity Monitor because it receives data that appears in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>. If it is stopped, the console cannot display the data.</p>                                                                                      |
| NetBackup Service Monitor ( <i>nbsvcmon</i> )                | <p>Monitors the NetBackup services that run on the local machine. If a service unexpectedly terminates, the service tries to restart the terminated service. If <i>nbsvcmon</i> determines that NetBackup is configured for a cluster, the service shuts down, and the monitoring is taken over by the cluster.</p> <p>The service cannot be stopped from the Activity Monitor because it receives data that appears in the <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b>. If it is stopped, the console cannot display the data.</p> |
| NetBackup Storage Lifecycle Manager ( <i>nbstserv</i> )      | Manages storage lifecycle operations and schedules duplication jobs. Monitors disk capacity on capacity-managed volumes and removes older images when required.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| NetBackup Vault Manager ( <i>nbvault</i> )                   | Manages NetBackup Vault. NBVAULT must be running on the NetBackup Vault server during all NetBackup Vault operations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| NetBackup Volume Manager ( <i>vmd</i> )                      | Manages the volumes (tapes) needed for backup or restore and starts local device management daemons and processes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Symantec Private Branch Exchange ( <i>pbx_exchange.exe</i> ) | <p><b>Note:</b> This service does not appear in the Activity Monitor.</p> <p>Provides single-port access to clients outside the firewall that connect to Symantec product services. Service name: VRTSpbx.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

## Using the nbrbutil utility to configure the NetBackup Resource Broker

The NetBackup Resource Broker (*nbrb*) allocates resources and maintains resource requests for jobs in the job queue. Use the *nbrbutil* utility to configure the Resource Broker.

The *nbrbutil* utility is located in the following directory:

- On UNIX:

`/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/nbrbutil`

- On Windows:

`Install_path\VERITAS\NetBackup\bin\admincmd\nbrbutil`

For a complete description of `nbrbutil`, see the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

[Table 21-4](#) describes the options available to `nbrbutil` command.

**Table 21-4**      `nbrbutil` options

| Option                                                                                   | Description                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>-cancel requestID</code>                                                           | Cancels the allocation request within the given identifier.                                                                                 |
| <code>-changePriority requestID</code>                                                   | Changes the request priority.                                                                                                               |
| <code>-changePriorityClass requestID</code><br><code>-priorityClass priorityClass</code> | Changes the request priority class.                                                                                                         |
| <code>-changeSettings parameterparameter_value</code>                                    | Adds or changes the <code>nbrb</code> configuration settings.<br><a href="#">Table 21-5</a> describes the configuration settings in detail. |
| <code>-deleteSetting settingname</code>                                                  | Deletes a Resource Broker configuration setting identified by <i>settingname</i> .                                                          |
| <code>-dump</code>                                                                       | Dumps all Resource Broker allocation and request lists.                                                                                     |
| <code>-dumptables [-f filename]</code>                                                   | Enables the Resource Broker to log its internal state in the specified file name.                                                           |
| <code>-disablePerfMon</code>                                                             | Disables performance monitoring.                                                                                                            |
| <code>-enablePerfMon</code>                                                              | Enables performance monitoring.                                                                                                             |
| <code>-help</code>                                                                       | Lists the help for this command.                                                                                                            |
| <code>-listActiveDriveJobs [driveName]</code>                                            | Lists all the active jobs for a drive.                                                                                                      |
| <code>-listActiveJobs</code>                                                             | Lists all the active jobs.                                                                                                                  |
| <code>-listActiveMediaJobs mediaId</code>                                                | Lists all the active jobs for a media ID (disk or tape).                                                                                    |
| <code>-listActivePoolJobs poolName</code>                                                | Lists all the active jobs for a volume pool.                                                                                                |
| <code>-listActiveStuJobs stuName stugroup</code>                                         | Lists all the active jobs for a storage unit or a storage unit group.                                                                       |
| <code>-listOrphanedDrives</code>                                                         | Lists the drives that are reserved in EMM but have no corresponding allocation in the Resource Broker.                                      |
| <code>-listOrphanedMedia</code>                                                          | Lists the media that is reserved in EMM but has no corresponding allocation in the Resource Broker.                                         |

**Table 21-4**      nbrbutil options (*continued*)

| Option                                             | Description                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>-listOrphanedPipes</code>                    | Lists the orphaned fibre transport pipes.                                                                        |
| <code>-listOrphanedStus</code>                     | Lists the storage units that are reserved in EMM but have no corresponding allocation in the Resource Broker.    |
| <code>-listSettings</code>                         | Lists the configuration settings of the Resource Broker.                                                         |
| <code>-priority <i>priority</i></code>             | Changes the request priority.                                                                                    |
| <code>-release <i>allocationID</i></code>          | Release the allocation with the given identifier.                                                                |
| <code>-releaseAllocHolds</code>                    | Releases the allocation holds caused by allocation errors for drives and media.                                  |
| <code>-releaseDrive <i>drivename</i></code>        | Releases all allocations for the named drive.                                                                    |
| <code>-releaseMDS <i>mdsAllocationKey</i></code>   | Releases the EMM and the MDS allocations that are allocated by the MDS with the specified identifier.            |
| <code>-releaseMedia <i>mediaid</i></code>          | Releases all allocations for the specified volume.                                                               |
| <code>-releaseOrphanedDrive <i>drivekey</i></code> | Releases the drives that are reserved in EMM but have no corresponding allocation in the Resource Broker.        |
| <code>-releaseOrphanedMedia <i>mediakey</i></code> | Releases the media that are reserved in EMM but have no corresponding allocation in the Resource Broker.         |
| <code>-releaseOrphanedPipes</code>                 | Releases the orphaned fibre transport pipes.                                                                     |
| <code>-releaseOrphanedStu <i>stuName</i></code>    | Releases the storage units that are reserved in EMM but have no corresponding allocation in the Resource Broker. |
| <code>-reportInconsistentAllocations</code>        | Reports inconsistent allocations between the Resource Broker and MDS.                                            |
| <code>-resetAll</code>                             | Resets all Resource Broker allocations, requests, and persisted states.                                          |
| <code>-resetMediaServer <i>mediaserver</i></code>  | Resets all Resource Broker EMM and MDS allocations that are related to <i>tid</i> on the media server.           |
| <code>-resume</code>                               | Resumes the Resource Broker processing.                                                                          |
| <code>-setDriveGroupUnjoinable</code>              | Disables the future job from joining the group for this drive.                                                   |
| <code>-setMediaGroupUnjoinable</code>              | Disables the future job from joining the group for this media.                                                   |
| <code>-suspend</code>                              | Suspends the Resource Broker processing.                                                                         |

Table 21-4            nbrbutil options (continued)

| Option           | Description                                                             |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| -syncAllocations | Syncs up any allocation difference between the Resource Broker and MDS. |

Table 21-5 lists the parameters for the `nbrbutil -changesettings` option, and describes the use of each.

Use the `nbrbutil` command with the `-changesettings` option to add or change Resource Broker configuration settings.

Table 21-5            nbrbutil -changesettings parameters

| Parameter                   | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| RB_DO_INTERMITTENT_UNLOADS  | <p>When the <code>RB_DO_INTERMITTENT_UNLOADS</code> parameter is set to <i>true</i> (default), <code>nbrb</code> initiates unloads of the drives that have exceeded the media unload delay. Drives become available more quickly to jobs that require different media servers or different media than the job that last used the drive. However, the loaded media or drive pair may not be available for jobs with less priority in the prioritized evaluation queue that can use the drive or media without unload.</p> <p><code>RB_DO_INTERMITTENT_UNLOADS=true</code></p>                                                                   |
| RB_ENABLE_OPTIMIZATION      | <p>When the <code>RB_ENABLE_OPTIMIZATION</code> parameter is set to <i>true</i> (default), this entry instructs <code>nbrb</code> to cache states of resource requests.</p> <p><code>RB_ENABLE_OPTIMIZATION=true</code></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| RB_RESPECT_REQUEST_PRIORITY | <p>When the <code>RB_RESPECT_REQUEST_PRIORITY</code> parameter is set to <i>false</i> (default), <code>nbrb</code> continues to evaluate jobs in the prioritized job queue. As a result, a job is likely to reuse a drive more quickly after the drive has been released. However, some lower priority jobs may receive drives before higher priority jobs do.</p> <p>When the <code>RB_RESPECT_REQUEST_PRIORITY</code> parameter is set to <i>true</i>, <code>nbrb</code> restarts its evaluation queue at the top of the prioritized job queue after resources have been released.</p> <p><code>RB_RESPECT_REQUEST_PRIORITY=false</code></p> |



**Table 21-5**      nbrbutl -changesettings parameters (*continued*)

| Parameter                       | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| RB_BREAK_EVAL_ON_DEMAND         | <p>When a high priority request appears (for example, a tape span request, or a request for a synthetic or a duplication job), <code>nbrb</code> immediately interrupts the evaluation cycle. <code>nbrb</code> releases and unloads drives, if required before the evaluation cycle begins again.</p> <p>If the <code>RB_BREAK_EVAL_ON_DEMAND</code> parameter is set to <i>true</i> (default), interruptions of high priority jobs are not allowed and the evaluation cycle continues.</p> <p><code>RB_BREAK_EVAL_ON_DEMAND=true</code></p>                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| RB_MAX_HIGH_PRIORITY_QUEUE_SIZE | <p>Spanning requests and additional resources for an active duplication job are put in a special queue for priority processing. The <code>RB_MAX_HIGH_PRIORITY_QUEUE_SIZE</code> parameter sets the maximum number of requests that NetBackup allows in that queue. (Default: 100 requests.)</p> <p><code>RB_MAX_HIGH_PRIORITY_QUEUE_SIZE=100</code></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| RB_RELEASE_PERIOD               | <p>The <code>RB_RELEASE_PERIOD</code> parameter indicates the interval that NetBackup waits before it releases a resource. (Default: 180 seconds.)</p> <p><code>RB_RELEASE_PERIOD=180</code></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| RB_CLEANUP_OBSOLETE_DBINFO      | <p>The <code>RB_CLEANUP_OBSOLETE_DBINFO</code> parameter indicates the number of seconds that can elapse between the cleanup of obsolete information in the <code>nbrb</code> database. (Default: 60 seconds.)</p> <p><code>RB_CLEANUP_OBSOLETE_DBINFO=60</code></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| RB_MPX_GROUP_UNLOAD_DELAY       | <p>The <code>RB_MPX_GROUP_UNLOAD_DELAY</code> parameter indicates the number of seconds that <code>nbrb</code> waits for a new job to appear before a tape is unloaded. (Default: 10 seconds.)</p> <p><code>RB_MPX_GROUP_UNLOAD_DELAY=10</code></p> <p>This setting can help avoid unnecessary reloading of tapes and applies to all backup jobs. During user backups, <code>nbrb</code> uses the maximum value of <code>RB_MPX_GROUP_UNLOAD_DELAY</code> and the <b>Media mount timeout</b> host property setting when <code>nbrb</code> unmounts the tape.</p> <p>During restores, <b>Media mount timeout</b> is used, not <code>RB_MPX_GROUP_UNLOAD_DELAY</code>.</p> <p>See “<a href="#">Timeouts properties</a>” on page 216.</p> |

Table 21-5                    nbrbutil -changesettings parameters (continued)

| Parameter                    | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| RB_RETRY_DELAY_AFTER_EMM_ERR | <p>The <code>RB_RETRY_DELAY_AFTER_EMM_ERR</code> parameter indicates how long NetBackup waits after an EMM error before it tries again. The error must be one where a retry is possible. For example, if a media server is down. (Default: 60 seconds.)</p> <p><code>RB_RETRY_DELAY_AFTER_EMM_ERR=60</code></p>       |
| RB_REEVAL_PENDING            | <p>The <code>RB_REEVAL_PENDING</code> parameter indicates the number of seconds that can elapse between evaluations of the pending request queue. For example, a pending request queue can include jobs awaiting resources. (Default: 60 seconds.)</p> <p><code>RB_REEVAL_PENDING=60</code></p>                       |
| RB_REEVAL_PERIOD             | <p>The <code>RB_REEVAL_PERIOD</code> parameter indicates the time between evaluations if an outstanding request is not satisfied, and if no other requests or resources have been released. (Default: Five minutes must pass before the initial request is reevaluated.)</p> <p><code>RB_REEVAL_PERIOD=300</code></p> |

For additional information about the `nbrbutil` utility, see the *Commands Reference Guide*.

## Types of NetBackup daemons

The following table describes additional information about NetBackup daemons.

|                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Stand-alone daemons                | Always run and listen to accept connections. Examples include <code>bpdbm</code> , <code>bprd</code> , <code>bpjobd</code> , and <code>vmd</code> .                              |
| Multiprocess stand-alone daemons   | Splits or forks a child process to handle requests. Examples include <code>bpdbm</code> and <code>bprd</code> .                                                                  |
| Single-process stand-alone daemons | Accept connections and handle requests in the same process.                                                                                                                      |
| <code>inetd</code> daemons         | <code>inetd</code> (1m) or <code>bpinetd</code> usually launch these NetBackup daemons. Examples include <code>bpcd</code> , <code>bpjava-msvc</code> , and <code>vnetd</code> . |

Symantec recommends that you exit all instances of the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** after restarting daemons in the Activity Monitor or by using a command. Then restart the console with the `jnbSA` command.

The `jnbSA` command is described in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

## Monitoring NetBackup daemons

The following procedure describes how to monitor NetBackup daemons.

### To monitor NetBackup daemons

- 1 Open the **Activity Monitor** and select the **Daemons** tab.
- 2 Select the daemon(s) for which you want to view details.
- 3 Select **Actions > Details**.

To view the details of a daemon, double-click the process in the **Daemons** tab. For a description of the daemon details, click **Help** in the **Daemon Details** dialog box.

## Starting or stopping a daemon

The following procedure describes how to start or stop a daemon.

### To start or stop a daemon

- 1 Open the **Activity Monitor** and select the **Daemons** tab.
- 2 Select the daemon(s) you want to start or stop.
- 3 Select **Actions > Start Daemon** or **Actions > Stop Daemon**.

## About the Processes tab

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, the Activity Monitor **Processes** tab displays the NetBackup processes that run on the master server.

Not all columns display by default. Click **View > Column Layout** to show or hide columns.

[Table 21-6](#) lists and describes the NetBackup processes.

**Table 21-6** NetBackup processes

| Process             | Port  | Description                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------------|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>acsd</code>   | 13702 | The <code>acsd</code> (Automated Cartridge System) daemon runs on the NetBackup media server and communicates mount and unmount requests to the host that controls the ACS robotics. |
| <code>acssel</code> | None  | The NetBackup ACS storage server interface (SSI) event logger <code>acssel</code> logs events.                                                                                       |

Table 21-6 NetBackup processes (*continued*)

| Process      | Port  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|--------------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| acsssi       | None  | The NetBackup ACS storage server interface (SSI) <code>acsssi</code> communicates with the ACS library software host. <code>acsssi</code> processes all RPC communications from <code>acsd</code> or from the ACS robotic test utility that is intended for the ACS library software.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| avrd         | None  | The Automatic Volume Recognition process handles automatic volume recognition and label scans. The process allows NetBackup to read labeled tapes and assign the associated removable media requests to drives.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| bmrdd        | 8362  | The process for the NetBackup Bare Metal Restore Master Server daemon.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| bpcd         | 13782 | The NetBackup Client daemon, this process issues requests to and from the master server and the media server to start programs on remote hosts.<br><br>On UNIX clients, <code>bpcd</code> can only be run in stand-alone mode.<br><br>On Windows, <code>bpcd</code> always runs under the supervision of <code>bpinetd.exe</code> . NetBackup has a specific configuration parameter for <code>bpcd</code> : if the port number is changed within the NetBackup configuration, the software also updates the port number in the services file. |
| bpcompatd    | None  | The process for the NetBackup Compatibility daemon.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| bpdbm        | 13721 | The process for the NetBackup Database Manager daemon.<br><br>The process that responds to queries that are related to the NetBackup catalog.<br><br>Manages the NetBackup internal databases and catalogs. This daemon must be running on the NetBackup master server during all normal NetBackup operations.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| bpinetd      | None  | The process for the NetBackup Client daemon.<br><br>The process that provides a listening service for connection requests.<br><br><b>Note:</b> To configure a BasicDisk storage unit that uses CIFS, the media server and the following processes must have the same logon credentials: <code>bpinetd</code> , <code>nbrmms</code> , and <code>vnetd</code> .                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| bpjava-msvc  | 13722 | The NetBackup-Java application server authentication service program. <code>inetd</code> starts the program during startup of the NetBackup-Java applications and authenticates the user that started the NetBackup-Java application.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| bpjava-susvc | None  | The NetBackup-Java application server user service program on NetBackup servers. <code>bpjava-msvc</code> starts the program upon successful login with the NetBackup-Java applications login dialog box. <code>bpjava-susvc</code> services all requests from the NetBackup-Java applications for administration and end-user operations on the host on which the NetBackup-Java application server is running.                                                                                                                               |
| bpjobd       | 13723 | The NetBackup Jobs Database Management daemon. This process queries and updates the jobs database.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

**Table 21-6** NetBackup processes (*continued*)

| Process   | Port  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-----------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| bprd      | 13720 | The process for the NetBackup Request Daemon.<br><br>The process that starts the automatic backup of clients and responds to client requests for file restores and user backups and archives.                                                                                                                              |
| ltid      | None  | The process for the Media Manager Device daemon.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| nbaudit   |       | The NetBackup Audit Manager runs on the master server and audit records are maintained in the EMM database. The act of starting or stopping <code>nbaudit</code> is audited, even if auditing is disabled.                                                                                                                 |
| NBConsole | None  | The <b>NetBackup Administration Console</b> on the Windows platform.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| nbars     | None  | The NetBackup Agent Request Server service populates the NetBackup catalog database with database agent metadata and services request for agents. This service is also responsible for initiating certain actions, such as starting jobs for Oracle cloning.                                                               |
| nbemm     | None  | The process for the NetBackup Enterprise Media Manager daemon.<br><br>The process that accesses and manages the database where media and device configuration information is stored ( <code>EMM_DATA.db</code> ). <code>nbemm.exe</code> must be running in order for jobs to run.                                         |
| nbEvtMgr  | None  | The process for the NetBackup Event Manager daemon.<br><br>The process that creates and manages event channels and objects for communication among NetBackup daemon. The Event Manager daemon runs with the Enterprise Media Manager ( <code>nbemm</code> ) only on master servers.                                        |
| nbfdrv64  | None  | The process that controls the Fibre Transport target mode drivers on the media server. <code>nbfdrv64</code> runs on the media servers that are configured for NetBackup Fibre Transport.                                                                                                                                  |
| nbftsvr   | None  | The Fibre Transport (FT) server process that runs on the media servers that are configured for NetBackup Fibre Transport. It does the following for the server side of the FT connection: controls data flow, processes SCSI commands, manages data buffers, and manages the target mode driver for the host bus adaptors. |
| nbjm      | None  | The process for the NetBackup Job Manager daemon.<br><br>The process that accepts the jobs that the Policy Execution Manager ( <code>NBPem</code> ) submits and acquires the necessary resources. The Job Manager then starts the job and informs <code>nbpem</code> that the job is completed.                            |
| nbpem     | None  | The process for the NetBackup Policy Execution Manager daemon.<br><br>It creates Policy/Client tasks and determines when jobs are due to run. If a policy is modified or if an image expires, <code>NBPem</code> is notified and the appropriate Policy/Client tasks are updated                                           |

**Table 21-6** NetBackup processes (*continued*)

| Process  | Port  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|----------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| nbproxy  | None  | The process that safely allows multi-threaded NetBackup processes to use existing multi-threaded unsafe libraries.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| nbrb     | None  | This process allocates storage units, tape drives, and client reservations for jobs. <code>nbrb</code> works with the Enterprise Media Manager (NBEMM).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| nbrmms   | None  | The process for the NetBackup Remote Manager and Monitor service. Enables NetBackup to remotely manage and monitor resources on a system that are used for backup (or affected by backup activity).<br><b>Note:</b> To configure a BasicDisk storage unit that uses CIFS, the media server and the following processes must have the same logon credentials: <code>bpineta</code> , <code>nbrmms</code> , and <code>vnetd</code> . |
| nbsl     | None  | The process for the NetBackup Service Layer daemon.<br><code>nbsl</code> facilitates the communication between the graphical user interface and NetBackup logic.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| nbstserv | None  | The process for the NetBackup Storage Lifecycle Manager. Manages the storage lifecycle policy operations and schedules duplication jobs. Monitors the disk capacity on the volumes that are capacity-managed and removes older images when required.                                                                                                                                                                               |
| nbsvcmon | None  | The process for the NetBackup Service Monitor. Monitors the NetBackup services. When a service unexpectedly terminates, <code>nbsvcmon</code> attempts to restart the terminated service.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| nbvault  | None  | If Vault is installed, the process for the NetBackup Vault Manager daemon.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| ndmp     | 10000 | NDMP is the acronym for NetBackup Data Management Protocol. NDMP servers are designed to adhere to this protocol and listen on port 10000 for NDMP clients to connect to them.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| opr      | None  | The NetBackup Volume Manager ( <code>vmd</code> ) starts the <code>opr</code> operator request daemon. This process receives requests to mount and unmount volumes and communicates the requests to the NetBackup Device Manager <code>ltid</code> . The NetBackup Device Manager communicates the requests to the robotics through SCSI interfaces.                                                                               |
| postgres | 10085 | The process for the NetBackup deduplication database. It runs on the deduplication storage server.<br>Active only if the NetBackup Media Server Deduplication option is licensed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| spoold   | None  | The process for the NetBackup Deduplication Engine daemon. It runs on the deduplication storage server.<br>Active only if the NetBackup Media Server Deduplication option is licensed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

**Table 21-6** NetBackup processes (*continued*)

| Process        | Port  | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|----------------|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| tl4d           | 13713 | The <code>tl4d</code> process runs on the host that has a Tape Library 4mm. This process receives NetBackup Device Manager requests to mount and unmount volumes and communicates these requests to the robotics through SCSI interfaces.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| tl8d<br>tl8cd  | 13705 | <p>The <code>tl8d</code> process runs on a NetBackup media server that manages a drive in a Tape Library 8mm. This process receives NetBackup Device Manager requests to mount and unmount volumes, and sends these requests to the robotic-control process <code>tl8cd</code>.</p> <p>The <code>tl8cd</code> process communicates with the TL8 robotics through SCSI interfaces.</p> <p>To share the tape library, <code>tl8cd</code> runs on the NetBackup server that provides the robotic control.</p>                                                                                                        |
| tldd<br>tldcd  | 13711 | <p>The <code>tldd</code> process runs on a NetBackup server that manages drive in a Tape Library DLT. This process receives NetBackup Device Manager requests to mount and unmount volumes and sends these requests to the robotic-control process <code>tldcd</code>.</p> <p>The <code>tldcd</code> process communicates with the Tape Library DLT robotics through SCSI interfaces.</p> <p>To share the tape library, <code>tldcd</code> runs on the NetBackup server that provides the robotic control.</p>                                                                                                    |
| tlhd<br>tlhcd  | 13717 | <p>The <code>tlhd</code> process runs on each NetBackup server that manages a drive in a Tape Library Half-inch. This process receives NetBackup Device Manager requests to mount and unmount volumes and sends these requests to the robotic-control process <code>tlhcd</code>.</p> <p>The <code>tlhcd</code> process runs on the NetBackup server that provides the robotic control and communicates with the TLH robotics through SCSI interfaces.</p>                                                                                                                                                        |
| tlmd           | 13716 | The <code>tlmd</code> Tape Library Multimedia (TLM) daemon runs on a NetBackup server. It communicates mount, unmount, and robot inventory requests to a NetBackup media server that hosts ADIC DAS/SDLC software and controls the TLM robotics.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| vmd            | 13701 | The process for the NetBackup Volume Manager daemon.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| vnetd          | 13724 | <p>This process is preserved for backward compatibility. For example, when the 7.0.1 Java interface communicates with a 7.0 NetBackup server.</p> <p>The Veritas Network Daemon allows all socket communication to take place while it connects to a single port. Legacy NetBackup services that were introduced before NetBackup 6.0 use the <code>vnetd</code> port number.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> To configure a BasicDisk storage unit that uses CIFS, the media server and the following processes must have the same logon credentials: <code>bpineta</code>, <code>nbrmms</code>, and <code>vnetd</code>.</p> |
| vrts-auth-port | 4032  | The Veritas Authorization Service verifies that an identity has permission to perform a specific task.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

Table 21-6 NetBackup processes (continued)

| Process      | Port | Description                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|--------------|------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| vrts-at-port | 2821 | The Veritas Authentication Service validates, identifies, and forms the basis for authorization and access.                                                                                    |
| veritas_pbx  | 1556 | The Symantec Private Branch Exchange allows all socket communication to take place while it connects through a single port. Connections to NetBackup 7.0.1 and later use the veritas_pbx port. |

## Monitoring NetBackup processes in the Process Details dialog box

The following procedure describes how to view the details for a process.

To view the details for a process

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, click **Activity Monitor**.
- 2 To view the details for a specific process, double-click on the process you want to display in the **Processes** tab. The **Process Details** dialog box appears that contains detailed information about your selected process.

|                      |                                                                                                                                               |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Process              | Specifies the name of the currently selected process.                                                                                         |
| Process ID (PID)     | Specifies the unique identifier of this process. The ID numbers are reused, so they only identify a process for the lifetime of that process. |
| Start time           | Specifies the date and time when the daemon process was started.                                                                              |
| Total processor time | Specifies the amount of process time (in seconds) that this process spent.                                                                    |

- 3 In the **Process Details** dialog box, click the up or down arrow to see the details of the next process in the list.

## About the jobs database

NetBackup uses the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpdbjobs -clean` command to delete done jobs periodically.

By default, the `bpdbjobs` process deletes all completed jobs that are more than three days old. By default, the `bpdbjobs` process retains more recent done jobs until the three-day retention period expires.



You may want to keep jobs in the jobs database longer than the default of three days. To do this, you must change the default value.

If the `bprd` NetBackup request daemon is active, `bprd` starts the `bpdjobs` process automatically when it performs other cleanup tasks. The process starts the first time `bprd` wakes up after midnight. The automatic startups occur regardless of whether you choose to run `bpdjobs` at other times by using `cron` or alternate methods.

## About changing the default values

To change the default values on a permanent basis, change the entries in the `bp.conf` file.

For example, add the following entry to the `bp.conf` file:

```
KEEP_JOBS_HOURS = 192
```

Where 192 is the number of hours that unsuccessful jobs are kept in the jobs database or Activity Monitor display.

For example, to change the retention of successful jobs, add the following entry:

```
KEEP_JOBS_SUCCESSFUL_HOURS = 192
```

Where 192 is the number of hours that successful jobs are kept in the jobs database or Activity Monitor display.

Consider the following notes when changing the default values:

- The default values for `KEEP_JOBS_SUCCESSFUL_HOURS` and `KEEP_JOBS_HOURS` is 78 hours.
- The retention period values are measured against the time the job ended.
- Information about successful jobs cannot be kept longer than information about unsuccessful jobs. If `KEEP_JOBS_SUCCESSFUL_HOURS` is greater than `KEEP_JOBS_HOURS`, `bpdjobs` sets `KEEP_JOBS_SUCCESSFUL_HOURS` to equal `KEEP_JOBS_HOURS`.
- If `KEEP_JOBS_SUCCESSFUL_HOURS` is set to 0, `bpjobd` uses the `KEEP_JOBS_HOURS` `bpdjobs` value instead for successful jobs.  
If the `KEEP_JOBS_SUCCESSFUL_HOURS` value is greater than 0 but less than `KEEP_JOBS_HOURS`, `KEEP_JOBS_HOURS` is used for unsuccessful jobs only.

## About the BPDBJOBS\_OPTIONS environment variable

The BPDBJOBS\_OPTIONS environment variable provides a convenient method to set job retention options with a script. The bpdjobs process determines how long to retain a job by checking for the BPDBJOBS\_OPTIONS environment variable. If present, BPDBJOBS\_OPTIONS overrides the bp.conf settings.

The following options can be used to determine the length of time NetBackup retains jobs. The options should be entered in lower case in the BPDBJOBS\_OPTIONS environmental variable.

Table 21-7 BPDBJOBS\_OPTIONS environment variable options

| Option                              | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| -keep_hours <i>hours</i>            | Use with the -clean option to specify how many hours bpdjobs keeps unsuccessfully completed jobs. Default: 78 hours.<br><br>To keep both successful and both failed jobs longer than the default of 78 hours, keep_successful_hours must be used with keep_hours. |
| -keep_successful_hours <i>hours</i> | Use with the -clean option to specify how many hours bpdjobs keeps successfully completed jobs. The number of hours must be less than or equal to keep_hours.<br><br>Values outside the range are ignored. Default: 78 hours.                                     |
| -keep_days <i>days</i>              | Use with the -clean option to specify how many days bpdjobs keeps completed jobs. Default: 3 days.                                                                                                                                                                |
| -keep_successful_days <i>days</i>   | This value must be less than the -keep_days value.<br><br>Use with the -clean option to specify how many days bpdjobs keeps successfully completed jobs. Default: 3 days.                                                                                         |

A script (cleanjobs) was used in the following example. You can copy the script directly from this document and changed as needed.

- The first line specifies how long to keep unsuccessful jobs (24 hours) and successful jobs (five hours).
- The second line specifies the path to the bpdjobs command. Indicate the correct location of bpdjobs in the .bat file. In this example, NetBackup was installed in the default location:
- ```
setenv BPDBJOBS_OPTIONS "-keep_hours 24 -keep_successful_hours 5 -clean"
/usr/openv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bpdjobs ${*}
```

You can store the `.bat` file anywhere, as long as it is run from the appropriate directory.

## bpdbjobs command line options

The `bpdbjobs` command interacts with the jobs database to delete or move completed job files. The command line options supersede all other job retention instructions.

The `-clean` option causes **bpdbjobs** to delete the completed jobs that are older than a specified time period as follows:

```
bpdbjobs -clean [ -M <master servers> ]  
[ -keep_hours <hours> ] or [ -keep_days <days> ]  
[ -keep_successful_hours <hours> ] or  
[ -keep_successful_days <days> ]
```

For example, the following command deletes unsuccessful jobs older than 72 hours.

```
bpdbjobs -clean -keep_hours 72
```

More information is available in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

## Enabling the bpdbjobs debug log

If you need detailed information on `bpdbjobs` activities, use the following procedure:

### Enabling the bpdbjobs debug log

- ◆ Enable the `bpdbjobs` debug log by creating the following directory:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/bpdbjobs
```

---

**Note:** Before you use a debug log, read the guidelines in the Debug Logs section of the *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide*.

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## Customizing bpdbjobs output

To customize the output of `bpdbjobs`, use the following procedure:

### Customizing bpdbjobs output

- ◆ Add a `BPDBJOBS_COLDEFS` entry to the `bp.conf` file for each column you want to appear in the output.

## About the Device Monitor

Use the **NetBackup Administration Console Device Monitor** to manage device paths, disk pools, service requests for operators, and tape drives.

## About media mount errors

Errors can occur when media is mounted for NetBackup jobs. Depending on the type of error, the request queues or it is canceled.

When the mount request is queued, an operator-pending action is created and appears in the **NetBackup Administration Console Device Monitor**.

A queued mount request leads to one of the following actions:

- The mount request is suspended until the condition is resolved.
- The operator denies the request.
- The media mount timeout is reached.

When a mount request is automatically canceled, NetBackup tries to select other media to use for backups. (Selection applies only in the case of backup requests.)

Many conditions lead to a mount request being automatically canceled instead of queued. When a media mount is canceled, different media is selected so that the backup is not held up.

The following conditions can lead to automatic media reselection:

- The requested media is in a DOWN drive.
- The requested media is misplaced.
- The requested media is write protected.
- The requested media is in a drive not accessible to the media server.
- The requested media is in an offline ACS LSM (Automated Cartridge System Library Storage Module). (ACS robot type only.)
- The requested media has an unreadable barcode. (ACS robot type only.)
- The requested media is in an ACS that is not accessible. (ACS robot type only.)
- The requested media is determined to be unmountable.

## About pending requests and actions

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**. If requests await action or if NetBackup acts on

a request, the **Pending Requests** pane appears. For example, if a tape mount requires a specific volume, the request appears in the **Pending Requests** pane. If NetBackup requires a specific volume for a restore operation, NetBackup loads or requests the volume. After all requests are resolved (automatically by NetBackup or manually by operator intervention), the **Pending Requests** pane disappears.

If NetBackup cannot service a media-specific mount request automatically, it changes the request or action to a pending state.

**Table 21-8** Pending states

Pending state	Description
Pending request	<p>Specifies that a pending request is for a tape mount that NetBackup cannot service automatically. Operator assistance is required to complete the request. NetBackup displays the request in the <b>Pending Requests</b> pane.</p> <p>NetBackup assigns pending status to a mount request when it cannot determine the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Which stand-alone drive to use for a job.</li><li>■ Which drive in a robot is in Automatic Volume Recognition (AVR) mode.</li></ul>
Pending action	<p>Specifies that a tape mount request becomes a pending action when the mount operation encounters problems, and the tape cannot be mounted. Operator assistance is required to complete the request, and NetBackup displays an action request in the <b>Pending Requests</b> pane. Pending actions usually occur with drives in robotic libraries.</p>

## About pending requests for storage units

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**. The following tape mount requests do not appear in the **Device Monitor Pending Requests** pane:

- Requests for backups
- Requests for a tape that is required as the target of a duplication operation

These requests are for resources in a storage unit and therefore are not for a specific volume. NetBackup does not assign a mount request for one storage unit to the drives of another storage unit automatically. Also, you cannot reassign the mount request to another storage unit.

If the storage unit is not available, NetBackup tries to select another storage unit that has a working robot. If NetBackup cannot find a storage unit for the job,

NetBackup queues the job (a **Queued** state appears in the **NetBackup Administration Console Activity Monitor**).

You can configure NetBackup so that storage unit mount requests are displayed in the **Device Monitor** if the robot or drive is down. Pending requests appear in the **Device Monitor**, and you can assign these mount requests to drives manually.

See [“Configuring a robot to operate in manual mode”](#) on page 356.

## Managing pending requests and actions

You can perform various actions to resolve or deny pending requests and actions.

### Resolving a pending request

Use the following procedure to resolve a pending request.

For ACS robots: If a request pends because the Library Storage Module (LSM) in which the media resides is offline, no operator action is required. NetBackup retries such requests hourly until the LSM is online. NetBackup reports the LSM offline status in the **Job Details** dialog box. Open the **Job Details** dialog box from the **Jobs** tab in the **Activity Monitor**.

#### To resolve a pending request

- 1 Insert the requested volume in a drive that matches the density of the volume that was requested.
- 2 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 3 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 4 In the **Pending Requests** pane, select the request and note the contents of the following columns of the request:
  - Density
  - External Media ID
  - Mode
- 5 In the **Drive Status** pane, find a drive type that matches the density for the pending request.
- 6 Verify that the drive is up and not assigned to another request.
- 7 Select the drive.
- 8 The following applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server: Ensure that the drive and the pending request are on the same host.

- 9 If necessary, get the media, write-enable it, and insert it into the drive.
- 10 Wait for the drive to become ready, as explained in the vendor's drive equipment manual.
- 11 On the **Actions** menu, select **Assign Request**.
- 12 Verify that the request was removed from the **Pending Requests** pane.
- 13 In the **Drive status** pane, verify the following:
  - The job request ID appears in the Request ID column for the drive
  - The User column is not blank

## Resolving a pending action

Use the following procedure to resolve a pending action.

For a pending action, NetBackup determines the cause of the problem and issues instruction to the operator to resolve the problem.

A pending action is similar to a pending request. A media icon identifies a pending action; the icon appears to the left of the request ID. The icon includes a human hand, which depicts that a manual action is required.

### To resolve a pending action

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Pending Requests** pane, select the pending action.
- 4 On the **Actions** menu, select **Display Pending Action** (or double-click the pending action).
- 5 In the message box that describes the problem, review the list of possible corrective actions. The message box also shows other information, such as user name, recorded media ID, external media IDs, and drive number.
- 6 Click **OK**.
- 7 Correct the error condition and either resubmit the request or deny the request.

See [“Resubmitting a request”](#) on page 932.

See [“Denying a request”](#) on page 932.

## Resubmitting a request

After you correct a problem with a pending action, you can resubmit the request.

Use the following procedure to resubmit a request.

If the problem is a volume missing from a robot, first locate the volume, insert it into the robot, and then update the volume configuration. Usually, a missing volume was removed from a robot and then requested by NetBackup.

See [“Robot inventory options”](#) on page 433.

**To resubmit a request**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Pending Requests** pane, select the request.
- 4 On the **Actions** menu, select **Resubmit Request**.

## Denying a request

Some situations may require that you deny requests for service. For example, when a drive is not available, you cannot find the volume, or the user is not authorized to use the volume. When you deny a request, NetBackup sends an appropriate status message to the user.

Use the following procedure to deny a request.

**To deny a request**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **Media and Device Management > Device Monitor**.
- 2 If an Enterprise Disk Option license is installed, select the **Drives** tab.
- 3 In the **Pending Requests** pane, select the request.
- 4 On the **Actions** menu, select **Deny Request**.



# Auditing NetBackup operations

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## About NetBackup auditing

An audit trail is a record of user-initiated actions in a NetBackup environment. Essentially, auditing gathers the information to help answer who changed what and when they changed it.

Auditing NetBackup operations can help provide information in the following areas:

General tracking	Customers can gain insight from audit trails while they investigate unexpected changes in a NetBackup environment. For example, it might be found that the addition of a client or a backup path has caused a significant increase in backup times. The audit report can indicate that an adjustment to a schedule or to a storage unit configuration might be necessary to accommodate the policy change.
Regulatory compliance	Auditing creates a record of who changed what and when it was changed. The record complies with guidelines such as those required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (SOX).
Corporate change management	For customers who must adhere to internal change management policies, NetBackup auditing offers a method to adhere to such policies.
Troubleshooting	The information from NetBackup auditing helps NetBackup Support to troubleshoot problems for customers.

The NetBackup Audit Manager (`nbaudit`) runs on the master server and audit records are maintained in the EMM database. If the master server is not the EMM server in the environment, `nbaudit` uses Remote ODBC to access Sybase ASA on the EMM server.

The Audit Manager provides the mechanism to query and report on auditing information. For example, an administrator can search specifically for information based on when an action occurred, actions performed by a specific user, actions performed in a specific content area, or changes to the audit configuration.

When auditing is configured (by default auditing is enabled), the following NetBackup user-initiated actions are recorded and available to view by using the `nbauditreport` command or by using Symantec OpsCenter:

- The following items in the **NetBackup Administration Console** are audited:
  - **Policies**  
Adding, deleting, or updating policy attributes, clients, schedules, and backup selections lists.
  - **Activity Monitor**  
Canceling, suspending, resuming, or deleting any type of job creates an audit record.
  - **Storage units**  
Adding, deleting, or updating storage units.

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**Note:** Actions related to **Storage Lifecycle Policies** are not audited.

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- **Storage servers**  
Adding, deleting, or updating storage servers.
- **Disk pools and Volume pools**  
Adding, deleting, or updating disk or volume pools.
- **Host properties**  
Updating host properties. (NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) must be enabled for host property auditing to occur.)
- Initiating a restore job.  
A restore job is the only job type for which the initiation is audited. For example, when a backup job begins, no audit record is created.
- Changes to the audit configuration.
- Starting and stopping the NetBackup Audit Manager (`nbaudit`).

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**Note:** By default, audit configuration changes or starting and stopping `nbaudit` is audited, even if auditing is disabled.

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- Changes to the `bp.conf` file (UNIX) or the registry (Windows).  
For NetBackup to audit changes to the `bp.conf` file or the registry, NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) must be enabled. These changes must be made by using either `bpsetconfig` or the **Host Properties** utility in the **NetBackup Administration Console**. Changes that are made by manually editing the `bp.conf` file or the registry are not audited.  
See [“Auditing host property changes”](#) on page 940.  
For more information about configuring NetBackup Access Control, see the *NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide*.

The following actions are not audited and do not display in the audit report:

Any failed actions.

Failed actions are logged in NetBackup error logs. Failed actions do not display in audit reports because a failed attempt does not bring about a change in the NetBackup system state.

The ramifications of a configuration change.

The results of a change to the NetBackup configuration are not audited. For example, the creation of a policy is audited, but the jobs that result from its creation are not.

The completion status of a manually initiated restore job. While the act of initiating a restore job is audited, the completion status of the job is not audited. Nor is the completion status of any other job type, whether initiated manually or not. The completion is displayed in the Activity Monitor.

Internally initiated actions.

NetBackup-initiated internal actions are not audited. For example, the scheduled deletion of expired images, scheduled backups, or periodic image database cleanup is not audited.

## Viewing the current audit settings

To view the current audit configuration, use either the `nbemmcmd` command on a NetBackup master server or view the settings using Symantec OpsCenter.

For directions about how to use Symantec OpsCenter to configure auditing, see the *OpsCenter Administrator's Guide*.

### To view the current audit settings

- 1 From a command prompt, locate the `nbemmcmd` command on the master server in the following directory:

- On UNIX:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd
```

- On Windows:

```
Install_path\Veritas\NetBackup\bin\admincmd
```

- 2 Enter the `nbemmcmd` command using the following syntax:

```
nbemmcmd -listsettings -machinename masterserver
```

Where *masterserver* is the master server in question.

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**Note:** The options are case-sensitive.

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- 3 The output lists many configuration settings. Among them are the following:

- `AUDIT="ENABLED"`

Indicates that auditing is turned on.

- `AUDIT="DISABLED"`

Indicates that auditing is turned off.

- `AUDIT_RETENTION_PERIOD="90"`

Indicates that if auditing is enabled, the records are retained for this length of time (in days) and then deleted. The default audit retention period is 90 days. A value of 0 (zero) indicates that the records are never deleted.

## Configuring auditing on a NetBackup master server

Auditing is enabled by default in new installations. However, the default may be enabled or disabled after an upgrade, depending on the setting before the upgrade.

NetBackup auditing can be configured directly on a NetBackup master server or by using Symantec OpsCenter.

The master server settings for enabling or disabling audit logging and setting the retention period are configured in the **Manage > Hosts** section of OpsCenter. Within OpsCenter, the expiration setting for Audit logs is configured under **Settings > Purge**. See the *OpsCenter Administrator's Guide* for more detail.

To configure auditing on a master server, use the `nbemmcmd` command with the `-changesetting` option.

### To configure NetBackup auditing on a master server

- 1 From a command prompt, locate the `nbemmcmd` command on the master server in the following directory:

- On UNIX:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd
```

- On Windows:

```
Install_path\Veritas\NetBackup\bin\admincmd
```

- 2 Enter the `nbemmcmd` command using the following syntax:

```
nbemmcmd -changesetting -AUDIT DISABLED -machinename masterserver
```

Where `-AUDIT DISABLED` turns off auditing on the master server that is indicated.

---

**Note:** The options are case-sensitive.

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In the following example, auditing has been turned off for `server1`.

For example:

```
nbemmcmd -changesetting -AUDIT DISABLED -machinename server1
```

**3** Configure the audit retention period using the following syntax:

```
nbemmcmd -changesetting -AUDIT_RETENTION_PERIOD  
number_of_days -machinename masterserver
```

Where *number\_of\_days* indicates (in days) how long audit records are to be retained for the audit report. If no retention period is indicated, the default audit retention period is 90 days.

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**Note:** An audit retention period value of 0 (zero) indicates that the records are never deleted.

---

Symantec OpsCenter downloads the audit records periodically and retains them for a period of time that is configurable in OpsCenter. Therefore, retaining the audit records on the master server is only necessary if you want to view audit reports using the command line on the master server.

See the following topic for more information.

See [“Retaining and backing up audit trail records”](#) on page 945.

In the following example, the records of user actions are to be retained for 30 days and then deleted.

```
nbemmcmd -changesetting -AUDIT_RETENTION_PERIOD 30  
-machinename server1
```

The two options can be combined in one command line, as in the following example:

```
nbemmcmd -changesetting -AUDIT ENABLED -machinename server1  
-AUDIT_RETENTION_PERIOD 30
```

**4** Run `nbauditreport` to display a report of the audited information.

See [“Viewing the audit report”](#) on page 941.

## Audit alert notification for audit failures

The Audit alert notification button is located in the status bar at the bottom of the **NetBackup Administration Console**. If configured to do so, the button can indicate to the administrator when an auditable action has failed to create an audit record. For example, if a policy attribute is changed but the NetBackup Audit Manager (`nbaudit`) is not running.



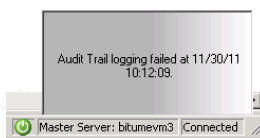
To configure Audit alert notification, right-click the Audit alert button in the status bar:

**Table 22-1**      Audit alert notification settings

**Turn on**                      When set to **Turn on**, a pop-up message displays in the following situation:

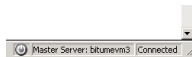
Auditing is enabled, but an auditable action is performed in the **NetBackup Administration Console** and has failed to create an audit record.

A pop-up message appears to alert the administrator about the failure.



**Blink**                         When set to **Blink**, the button blinks in the event of an auditing failure. Click the button to display the failure message.

**Turn off**                     When set to **Turn off**, an auditing failure does not display a notification. The button appears as gray.



**Note:** **Turn off** does not mean that auditing is disabled. Auditing continues, but audit failure messages in the **NetBackup Administration Console** are disabled.

# User identity in the audit report

The audit report lists the identity of the user who performed a specific action. The identity includes the user name, the domain, and the domain type of the authenticated user.

If NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) is not used in an environment, administrators must have administrator (or root) privileges to configure and run NetBackup. In large environments, multiple administrators may share the same root logon.

To differentiate between administrators in the audit report, NBAC must be configured. When NBAC is enabled, the audit report displays the actual user identities that are associated with audited actions. Information about NBAC installation and configuration is available in the *NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide*.

## Auditing host property changes

NetBackup audits host property changes if the administrator uses either the `bpsetconfig` command or the equivalent property in the **Host Properties** utility.

The following criteria must be met for auditing to take place:

- The environment must be configured for NetBackup Access Control (NBAC).
- The host on which the `bp.conf` file or the registry changes are made must be at NetBackup 7.1 or later.
- The administrator must use either the `bpsetconfig` command or the equivalent property in the **Host Properties** utility for auditing to occur. Changes made directly to the `bp.conf` file or to the registry (that is, without using `bpsetconfig`), are not audited.

For example, taking a client offline is not performed using the `bpsetconfig` command, so this operation would not show up in the audit log.

## Using the command line `-reason` or `-r` option

Many commands offer the `-reason` option for administrators to use to indicate why the action was performed. The reason displays in the audit report.

The `-reason` string must be no more than 512 characters. Command lines that accept the `-reason` option display an error if the string is over 512 characters.

Keep in mind that the audit reason cannot begin with a dash character (`-`). The reason also cannot contain a single quotation mark (`\ '`).

The following commands accept the `-reason` option (or `-r` option in the case of `bpsetconfig`):

- `bpdjobs`
- `bpplcatdrinfo`
- `bpplclients`
- `bppldelete`
- `bpplinclude`



- `bpplinfo`
- `bpplsched`
- `bpplschedrep`
- `bppolicynew`
- `bpsetconfig`

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**Note:** The `bpsetconfig` command accepts the `-r` option instead of the `-reason` option.

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- `bpstuadd`
- `bpstudel`
- `bpsturep`
- `nbdecommission`
- `nbdevconfig`
- `vmppool`

For more information on using the commands, see the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

## Viewing the audit report

To view the audit report, use either the `nbauditreport` command on a NetBackup master server or view the settings using Symantec OpsCenter.

Within OpsCenter, the **Monitor > Audit Trails** section provides the details of the Audit logs and allows you to export that information to Excel or save as a .pdf file. See the *OpsCenter Administrator's Guide* for more detail.

If auditing is enabled but a user action fails to create an audit record, the audit failure is captured in the `nbaudit` log.

The Audit alert notification button in the **NetBackup Administration Console** can notify administrators when an audit failure occurs.

See [“Audit alert notification for audit failures”](#) on page 938.

The failure to create an audit record has no effect on the user action that was performed.

If the user action succeeds, an exit code is returned that reflects the successful action. If auditing of the action fails, NetBackup status code 108 is returned (Action succeeded but auditing failed).

**Note:** The **NetBackup Administration Console** (Windows and UNIX (jnbSA)) does not return an exit status code 108 when auditing fails.

To view the NetBackup audit report

- 1 From a command prompt, locate the `nbauditreport` command on the master server in the following directory:
- On UNIX:

`/usr/openv/netbackup/bin/admincmd`

■ On Windows:

`Install_path\Veritas\NetBackup\bin\admincmd`
- 2 In its simplest form, enter the `nbauditreport` command using the following syntax:

`nbauditreport`

The `nbauditreport` can also be used with a number of options.

**Note:** The options are case-sensitive.

<code>-help</code>	Use for assistance with the command at the command prompt.
<code>-sdate</code> <code>&lt;"MM/DD/YY [HH:[MM[:SS]]]"&gt;</code>	Use to indicate the start date and time of the report data you want to view.
<code>-edate</code> <code>&lt;"MM/DD/YY [HH:[MM[:SS]]]"&gt;</code>	Use to indicate the end date and time of the report data you want to view.
<code>-user</code> <code>&lt;username[:domainname]&gt;</code>	Use to indicate the name of the user for whom you'd like to display audit information.
<code>-fmt SUMMARY</code>	If no report output format option ( <code>-fmt</code> ) is specified, the <code>SUMMARY</code> option is used by default.

<code>-fmt DETAIL</code>	The <code>-fmt DETAIL</code> option displays a comprehensive list of audit information. For example, when a policy is changed, this view lists the name of the attribute, the old value, and the new value.
<code>-fmt PARSABLE</code>	The <code>-fmt PARSABLE</code> option displays the same set of information as the <code>DETAIL</code> report but in a parsable format. The report uses the pipe character ( ) as the parsing token between the audit report data.
<code>[-nottruncate]</code>	Use the <code>-nottruncate</code> option to display the old and new values of a changed attribute on separate lines in the details section of the report.  <b>Note:</b> <code>-nottruncate</code> is valid only with the <code>-fmt DETAIL</code> option.
<code>[-pagewidth &lt;NNN&gt;]</code>	Use the <code>-pagewidth</code> option to set the page width for the details section of the report.  <b>Note:</b> <code>-pagewidth</code> is valid only with the <code>-fmt DETAIL</code> option.
<code>[-order &lt;DTU DUT TDU TUD UDT UTD&gt;]</code>	The <code>-order</code> option is valid only with <code>-fmt PARSABLE</code> . Use it to indicate the order in which the information appears.  Use the following parameters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ D (Description)</li> <li>■ T (Timestamp )</li> <li>■ U (User)</li> </ul>

### 3 The audit report contains the following details:

DESCRIPTION	The details of the action that was performed. The details include the new values that are given to a modified object and the new values of all attributes for a newly created object. The details also include the identification of any deleted objects.
USER	The identity of the user who performed the action. The identity includes the user name, the domain, and the domain type of the authenticated user.

See [“User identity in the audit report”](#) on page 939.

TIMESTAMP	The time that the action was performed. The time is given in Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) and indicated in seconds. (For example, 12/06/10 10:32:48.)
CATEGORY	<p>The category of user action that was performed. The CATEGORY displays only with the <code>-fmt DETAIL PARSABLE</code> options.</p> <p>Examples include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ AUDITSVC START, AUDITSVC STOP</li><li>■ POLICY CREATE, POLICY MODIFY, POLICY DELETE</li></ul>
ACTION	<p>The action that was performed. The ACTION displays only with the <code>-fmt DETAIL PARSABLE</code> options.</p> <p>Examples include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ START, STOP</li><li>■ CREATE, MODIFY, DELETE</li></ul>
REASON	<p>The reason that the action was performed. A reason displays if a reason was specified in the command that created the change. The <code>bpsetconfig</code> command accepts the <code>-r</code> option.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Using the command line -reason or -r option”</a> on page 940.</p> <p>The reason displays only with the <code>-fmt DETAIL PARSABLE</code> options.</p>
DETAILS	An account of all of the changes, listing the old values and the new values. Displays only with the <code>-fmt DETAIL PARSABLE</code> options.

If an exit status appears in the output, look up the code in the **NetBackup Administration Console** (Troubleshooter), the online Help, or the *Status Codes Reference Guide*.

[Figure 22-1](#) shows the default contents of an audit report that was run on `server1`.

**Figure 22-1** Summary audit report example

```
[root@server1 admincmd]# ./nbauditreport
TIMESTAMP      USER           DESCRIPTION
09/23/2010 14:40:54  root@server1  Policy 'test_pol_1' was created
09/23/2010 14:40:54  root@server1  Schedule 'full' was added to Policy
'test_pol_1'
09/22/2010 17:10:23  root@server1  Audit setting(s) of master server 'server1'
were modified

Audit records fetched: 3
```

## nbaudit log behavior

The `nbaudit` log is found in the following location:

- On UNIX:

`/usr/openv/logs/nbaudit`

- On Windows:

`Install_path\Veritas\NetBackup\logs\nbaudit`

If auditing is enabled but a user action fails to create an audit record, the audit failure is captured in the `nbaudit` log.

The Audit alert notification button in the **NetBackup Administration Console** can notify administrators when an audit failure occurs.

The `nbaudit` service behaves in the following manner when it creates audit records:

- The audit record limits the details of an entry to a maximum of 4096 characters. (For example, the Policy name.) The remaining characters are truncated while stored in the audit database.
- The audit record limits the restore image IDs to a maximum of 1024 characters. The remaining characters are truncated while stored in the audit database.
- Rollback operations are not audited.  
Some operations are carried out as multiple steps. For example, creating an MSDP-based storage server consists of multiple steps. Every successful step is audited. Failure in any of the steps results in a rollback, or rather, the successful steps may need to be undone. The audit record does not contain details about rollback operations.

## Retaining and backing up audit trail records

By default, audit records are kept for 90 days. To change the default, use the `nbemmcmd -changesetting` command with the `-AUDIT_RETENTION_PERIOD` option.

See [“Configuring auditing on a NetBackup master server”](#) on page 937.

Based on the configured retention setting, the NetBackup Audit Service (`nbaudit`) deletes expired audit records once every 24 hours at 12:00 A.M. (local time).

The audit records are kept in audit tables that are part of the NetBackup database. The tables are retained for as long as the `-AUDIT_RETENTION_PERIOD` indicates and are backed up as part of the NetBackup catalog backup.

To make sure that audit records are not missed from a catalog backup, configure the catalog backup frequency to be less frequent or equal to the `-AUDIT_RETENTION_PERIOD`.

Symantec OpsCenter downloads the audit records periodically from the EMM database. OpsCenter retains the records for a period of time that is configured within OpsCenter. Therefore, retaining the audit records on the NetBackup master server is only necessary if you want to view audit reports using the command line on the master server. Audit records can also be exported from OpsCenter.

# Reporting in NetBackup

This chapter includes the following topics:

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- [Disk Storage Unit Status report](#)
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## About the Reports utility

Use the **Reports** utility to generate reports to verify, manage, and troubleshoot NetBackup operations. NetBackup reports display information according to job status, client backups, and media contents. Use the **Troubleshooter** to analyze the cause of the errors that appear in a NetBackup report.

In the **Reports** window, in the right pane, you can select a report to run or manage report data.

Figure 23-1 NetBackup Report utility

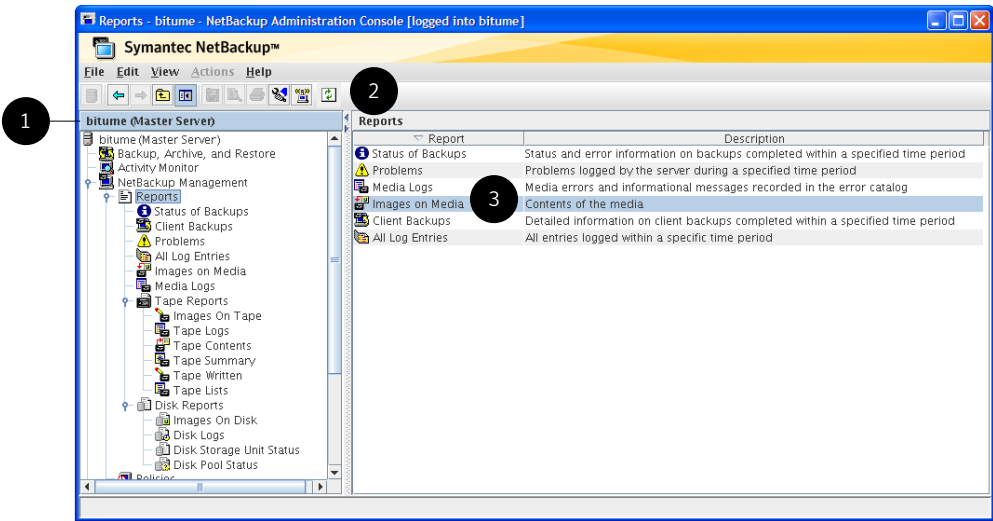


Table 23-1 Reports utility

Number	Description
1	The name of the currently selected master server.
2	The user toolbar is specific to the <b>Reports</b> utility. See <a href="#">“Standard and user toolbars”</a> on page 46.
3	Report descriptions.



NetBackup offers many different reports to view information about job activity and media:

For information about Vault reports, see the *NetBackup Vault Administrator's Guide*.

NetBackup also offers auditing and audit reports.

See [“Viewing the audit report”](#) on page 941.

## Running a report

The following procedure describes how to run a NetBackup report from the **Reports** utility.

### To run a report

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Reports**.  
  
NetBackup runs the report for the master server that is currently selected. To run a report on a different master server, on the **File** menu, click **Change Server**.  
  
See [“Accessing remote servers”](#) on page 965.
- 2 In the left pane, click the name of the report you want to run.  
  
For some reports, you must first expand a report group, and then click the name of the report.
- 3 Select the criteria for what to include or exclude in the report. For example, select the media servers and clients on which to run the report, and select the time period that the report should span.
- 4 Click **Run Report**.

## Saving or exporting a report

The following procedure describes how to save or export a NetBackup report.

### To save or export a report

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Reports**.
- 2 In the left pane, click the name of the report you want to run.  
  
For some reports, you must first expand a report group, and then click the name of the report.

- 3 Select the criteria for what to include or exclude in the report and click **Run Report**.
- 4 On the **File** menu, click **Export**.
- 5 In the **Save As** dialog box, select the location where you want to save the report, and specify the file name.
- 6 Click **Save**.

## Printing a report

The following procedure describes how to print a NetBackup report.

### To print a report

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Reports**.
- 2 In the left pane, click the name of the report you want to run.  
  
For some reports, you must first expand a report group, and then click the name of the report.
- 3 Select the criteria for what to include or exclude in the report and click **Run Report**.
- 4 On the **File** menu, click **Print**.

## Status of Backups report

The **Status of Backups** report shows status and error information about the jobs that completed within the specified time period. If an error occurred, a short explanation of the error is included in the report.

## Client Backups report

The **Client Backups** report shows detailed information about the backups that completed within the specified time period.

## Problems report

The Problems report generates a list of the problems that the server has logged during the specified time period. The information in this report is a subset of the information that is obtained from the All Log Entries report.

## All Log Entries report

The **All Log Entries** report generates a list of all log entries for the specified time period. This report includes the information from the **Problems** report and **Media Logs** report. This report also displays the transfer rate. The transfer rate is useful to determine rates and predict backup times for future backups. (The transfer rate does not appear for multiplexed backups.)

## Images on Media report

The **Images on Media** report generates a list of the media contents as recorded in the NetBackup image catalog. You can generate this report for any type of media (including disk) and filter it according to client, media ID, or path.

## Media Logs report

The **Media Logs** report shows the media errors or the informational messages that are recorded in the NetBackup error catalog.

## Images on Tape report

The **Images on Tape** report generates the contents of the tape-based media as recorded in the NetBackup image catalog. The **Images on Tape** is a subset of the **Images on Media** report.

## Tape Logs report

The **Tape Logs** report displays all error logs related to tape-based backup and recovery. The **Tape Logs** report is a subset of the **Media Logs** report.

## Tape Contents report

The **Tape Contents** report (formerly known as the Media Contents report) generates a list of the contents of a volume as read directly from the media header and backup headers. This report lists the backup IDs (not each individual file) that are on a single volume. If a tape must be mounted, the delay is longer before the report appears.

Before running this report, you can choose to override the default job priority for the job. The default priority is specified in the **Default Job Priorities** host properties.

See [“Default Job Priorities properties”](#) on page 118.

## Tape Summary report

The **Tape Summary** report summarizes active and nonactive volumes for the specified media owner according to expiration date. It also shows how many volumes are at each retention level. In verbose mode, the report shows each media ID and the expiration date.

Nonactive media are those with a status of FULL, FROZEN, SUSPENDED, or IMPORTED. Other volumes are considered active.

Expired volumes with a status of FULL, SUSPENDED, or IMPORTED do not appear in the report. However, expired volumes with a FROZEN status do appear in the report. NetBackup deletes other expired volumes from the media catalog when it runs backups. Also, an expired volume of a different status can display if the report is run between the time the volume expires and the time that the next backup is done.

## Tape Written report

The **Tape Written** report identifies the volumes that were used for backups within the specified time period. The report also does not display the volumes that were used for duplication if the original was created before the specified time period.

## Tape Lists report

The **Tape Lists** report generates information about the volumes that are allocated for backups for the selected media owner or media ID.

This report does not show media for disk type storage units. For the backups that are saved to disk storage units, use the **Images on Media** report or the **Images on Disk** report.

See [“Images on Media report”](#) on page 951.

See [“Images on Disk report”](#) on page 952.

## Images on Disk report

The **Images on Disk** report generates the image list present on the disk storage units that are connected to the media server. The **Images on Disk** report is a subset of the **Images on Media** report, showing only disk-specific columns.

The report provides a summary of the storage unit contents. If a disk becomes bad or if a media server crashes, this report can let you know what data is lost.

## Disk Logs report

The **Disk Logs** report displays all error logs related to disk-based backup and recovery. The **Disk Logs** report is a subset of the **Media Logs** report.

## Disk Storage Unit Status report

The **Disk Storage Unit Status** report displays the state of the disk storage units in the current NetBackup configuration. (For example, the total capacity and the used capacity of the disk storage unit.)

Multiple storage units can point to the same disk pool. When the report query searches by storage unit, the report counts the capacity of disk pool storage multiple times.

Storage units that reference disk groups do not display capacity values.

## Disk Pool Status report

The **Disk Pool Status** report generates the details of one or more disk pools.

This report displays only when an Enterprise Disk Option is installed.



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# Management topics

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [NetBackup naming conventions](#)
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- [How to administer devices on other servers](#)
- [How to access media and devices on other hosts](#)
- [About the Enterprise Media Manager](#)

## NetBackup naming conventions

The following set of characters can be used in user-defined names, such as storage units and policies:

- Alphabetic (A-Z a-z) (names are case sensitive)
- Numeric (0-9)
- Period (.)
- Plus (+)
- Minus (-)  
Do not use a minus as the first character.
- Underscore (\_)

These characters are also used for foreign languages.

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**Note:** No spaces are only allowed.

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# Wildcard use in NetBackup

NetBackup recognizes the following wildcard characters in areas where wildcards can be used. (For example, in the paths of include and exclude file lists.)

The following table shows the wildcards that can be used in various NetBackup dialog boxes and lists.

**Table 24-1** Wildcard use in NetBackup

Wildcard	Use
*	<p>An asterisk serves as a wildcard for zero or more characters.</p> <p>An asterisk can be used in the backup selection list, the include list, and the exclude list for Windows and UNIX clients.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p><code>r*</code> refers to all files that begin with <code>r</code></p> <p><code>r*.doc</code> refers to all files that begin with <code>r</code> and end with <code>.doc</code>.</p> <p>To back up all files that end in <code>.conf</code>, specify:</p> <p><code>/etc/*.conf</code></p>
?	<p>A question mark serves as a wildcard for any single character (A through Z; 0 through 9).</p> <p>A question mark can be used in the backup selection list, the include list, and the exclude list for Windows and UNIX clients.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p><code>file?</code> refers to <code>file2</code>, <code>file3</code>, <code>file4</code></p> <p><code>file??</code> refers to <code>file12</code>, <code>file28</code>, <code>file89</code></p> <p>To back up all files named <code>log01_03</code>, <code>log02_03</code>, specify:</p> <p><code>c:\system\log??_03</code></p>

**Table 24-1** Wildcard use in NetBackup (*continued*)

Wildcard	Use
[ ]	<p>A pair of square brackets indicates any single character or range of characters that are separated with a dash.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p><code>file[2-4]</code> refers to <code>file2</code>, <code>file3</code>, and <code>file4</code></p> <p><code>file[24]</code> refers to <code>file2</code>, <code>file4</code></p> <p><code>*[2-4]</code> refers to <code>file2</code>, <code>file3</code>, <code>file4</code>, <code>name2</code>, <code>name3</code>, <code>name4</code></p> <p>Brackets are not valid wildcards under all circumstances for all clients:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Brackets used as wildcards in include and exclude lists:  UNIX clients: Allowed  Windows clients: Allowed</li> <li>■ Brackets used as wildcards in policy backup selections lists:  UNIX clients: Allowed  Windows clients: Not allowed; the use of brackets in policy backup selections lists causes backups to fail with a status 71.</li> </ul>
{ }	<p>Curly brackets can be used in the backup selection list, the include list, and the exclude list for UNIX clients only.</p> <p>A pair of curly brackets (or braces) indicates multiple file name patterns. Separate the patterns by commas only; no spaces are permitted. A match is made for any or all entries.</p> <p>For example:</p> <p><code>{*1.doc, *.pdf}</code> refers to <code>file1.doc</code>, <code>file1.pdf</code>, <code>file2.pdf</code></p> <p><b>Note:</b> Curly brackets are valid characters for Windows file names and cannot be used as wildcards on Windows platforms. Backslashes cannot be used as escape characters for curly bracket characters.</p>

To use wildcard characters literally, precede the character with a backslash (\).

A backslash (\) acts as an escape character only when it precedes a special or a wildcard character. NetBackup normally interprets a backslash literally because a backslash is a legal character to use in paths.

Assume that the brackets in the following examples are to be used literally:

`C:\abc\fun[ny]name`

In the exclude list, precede the brackets with a backslash:

`C:\abc\fun\[ny\]name`

**Table 24-2** Placement of wildcards in the path of backup selections

Client type	Examples
For UNIX clients, wildcards can appear anywhere in the path.  See <a href="#">“Pathname rules for UNIX client backups”</a> on page 725.	The following examples are allowed:  /etc/*/abc/myfile  /etc/misc/*/myfile  /etc/misc/abc/*.*
For Windows clients, wildcards function correctly only when they are placed at the end of the path, in the file or the directory name.  See <a href="#">“Pathname rules for Windows client backups”</a> on page 718.	The following example is allowed:  C:\abc\xyz\r*.doc  Wildcard characters do not work elsewhere in the path. For example, an asterisk functions as a literal character (not as a wildcard) in the following examples:  C:\*\xyz\myfile  C:\abc\*\myfile

See [“Backup Selections tab”](#) on page 711.

# How to administer devices on other servers

The **NetBackup Administration Console** on the master server is the central management console for NetBackup servers, NetBackup clients, and storage devices in the environment. You can configure and manage the storage devices on all of the media servers from a **NetBackup Administration Console** that is connected to the master server.

Alternatively, you can administer the devices on a specific media server from a **NetBackup Administration Console** connected to that media server. To perform this task, change to or log in to the media server by using one of the following methods:

- In an existing instance of the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **File > Change Server** and change to the media server.
- Start the **NetBackup Administration Console** on the media server.
- Specify the remote server in the host name field and start the NetBackup-Java console.

See [“About choosing a remote server to administer”](#) on page 969.

For device discovery, configuration, and management to occur, the following must be true:

- The devices must be configured correctly in the operating system of the media server host.
- The media server must be in the additional servers list on the NetBackup master server and the EMM server. Normally, the EMM server resides on the same computer as the NetBackup master server.
- The EMM server must be up and running, both when you install the media server software and when you configure the devices.

If the EMM server is not running when you install a media server, the media server is not registered. You cannot discover, configure, and manage the devices of that media server. You must register the media server with the EMM server.

The following procedure assumes that all other steps to add a media server are accomplished.

Information on how to add a media server is available.

See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

## How to access media and devices on other hosts

For NetBackup to access media and device management functionality on a remote NetBackup host, you may need to add a `SERVER` entry to the `vm.conf` file on the remote host.

`SERVER` entries are used in the NetBackup `bp.conf` and `vm.conf` files for security. You can add the entries that allow only specific hosts to access those capabilities remotely.

If the `vm.conf` file on a remote host contains no `SERVER` entries, a host can manage media and devices on the remote host if it is added to the `bp.conf` file of the server you logged into. You do not need to add a `SERVER` entry to the `vm.conf` file.

If the `vm.conf` file on a remote host contains any `SERVER` entries, add a `SERVER` entry for the host on which the **NetBackup Administration Console** is running (the server you logged into) to that `vm.conf` file.

Assume that you have three hosts named `eel`, `yak`, and `shark`. You want to centralize device management on host `shark` and also permit each host to manage its own devices.

The following example scenario applies:

- The `vm.conf` file on `shark` contains the following:

```
SERVER = shark
```

The `vm.conf` file on shark does not require any additional `SERVER` entries, because all device management for shark is performed from shark.

- The `vm.conf` file on eel contains the following, which lets eel manage its own devices and permits shark to access them:

```
SERVER = eel  
SERVER = shark
```

- The `vm.conf` file on yak contains the following, which lets yak manage its own devices and permits shark to access them:

```
SERVER = yak  
SERVER = shark
```

## About the Enterprise Media Manager

The Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) is a NetBackup service that manages the device and the media information for NetBackup. The Enterprise Media Manager stores its managed information in a database, and the database resides on the EMM host.

See [“About the Enterprise Media Manager \(EMM\) database”](#) on page 786.

NetBackup is based on a static configuration of devices. These configurations are persistent for robotic libraries and tape drives in the NetBackup EMM database.

The Enterprise Media Manager manages the following:

- All media servers and their current status (online, offline).
- All drive allocations
- All configured devices

A NetBackup master server can have only one EMM server. However, an EMM server can manage device and media information for more than one NetBackup master server. An EMM domain comprises all of the master and the media servers for which it manages device and media information.

NetBackup configures the EMM server when you install NetBackup.

Usually, the EMM service runs on the master server host. However, you can install and run the EMM service on a NetBackup media server.

## About Enterprise Media Manager domain requirements

Applies only to NetBackup Enterprise Server.

An Enterprise Media Manager domain includes all of the servers in the Enterprise Media Manager database and the devices, media, and storage they manage. The Enterprise Media Manager can manage more than one NetBackup master server. That is, multiple NetBackup master server domains can share one Enterprise Media Manager domain.

The following are the rules for an EMM domain:

- The Enterprise Media Manager must be installed on a system that hosts a NetBackup master or media server. Symantec recommends that you install the EMM on the same system as a NetBackup master server.
- Host names must be consistent throughout an EMM domain. Do not use a fully qualified name and an unqualified name to refer to the same host. Do not use a physical name and a virtual host name to refer to the same host.
- All hosts in the same NetBackup domain must use the same EMM server.
- Robot numbers must be unique within an EMM domain.
- Media IDs must be unique within an EMM domain.
- Bar codes must be unique within an EMM domain.
- Drive names must be unique within an EMM domain and should be descriptive.
- Users cannot share devices or volumes between EMM domains.

## About sharing an EMM server

Although multiple domains can share an EMM server, Symantec does not recommend this configuration. The only situation that merits a shared EMM server is a configuration where multiple NetBackup domains share storage devices. However, there is no performance advantage to this type of configuration.

Care must be taken when you implement a catalog backup and recovery strategy, since all domains create backups of the central EMM database. Restoring any catalog backup can result in inconsistencies in the catalogs of other domains that share the same EMM server.

If you use one EMM domain for multiple master server domains, observe the following:

- The EMM should reside on one of the NetBackup master servers. Only one EMM server should exist per EMM domain.
- Each master server must be allowed access to the EMM host. Use the **Servers** host property on the EMM host to allow access.
- All names and numbers for devices and all media IDs and bar codes should remain unique across the entire enterprise.





# Accessing a remote server

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Accessing remote servers](#)
- [About adding a NetBackup server to a server list](#)
- [About choosing a remote server to administer](#)
- [About using the Remote Administration Console](#)
- [About using the Java Windows Administration Console](#)
- [About running the NetBackup Administration Console on a NetBackup client](#)
- [About troubleshooting remote server administration](#)

## Accessing remote servers

If a NetBackup site has multiple master servers, you can configure the systems so that multiple servers can be accessed from one **NetBackup Administration Console**.

Use the following procedure to access a remote server.

### To access a remote server

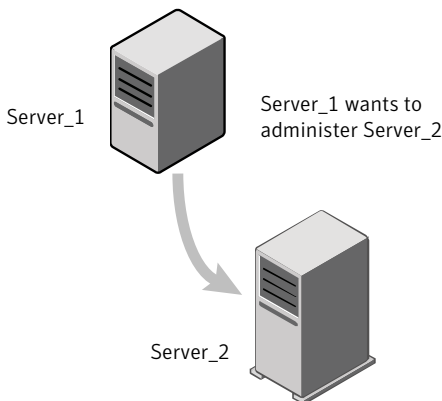
- 1 Ensure that the remote server is accessible to the local server.  
See [“About adding a NetBackup server to a server list”](#) on page 966.
- 2 Indicate the remote server that you want to administer.  
See [“About choosing a remote server to administer”](#) on page 969.

## About adding a NetBackup server to a server list

For a local host to administer a remote server, the name of the local host must appear in the server list of the remote server.

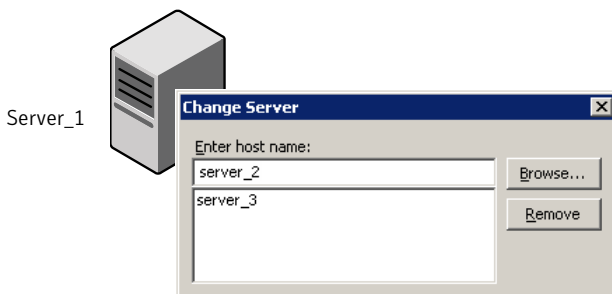
Figure 25-1 assumes that server\_1 wants to administer server\_2.

**Figure 25-1** Server accessing a remote server



On server\_1, in the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the menu bar, select **File > Change Server** and type **server\_2** as the host name in the **Change Server** window. Click **OK**.

**Figure 25-2** Changing the host name



If server\_1 is not listed on the server list of server\_2, server\_1 receives an error message after it tries to change servers to server\_2.



To add server\_1 to the server list of server\_2, see the following topics:

See [“Adding a server to a remote server list”](#) on page 967.

Other reasons may exist why a remote server is inaccessible:

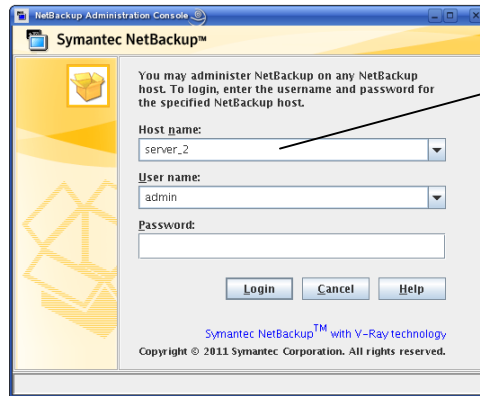
See [“About troubleshooting remote server administration”](#) on page 974.

## Adding a server to a remote server list

Use the following procedure to add a server to the server list of a remote server. This procedure is necessary to allow remote access to the server.

### To add a server to the server list of a remote server

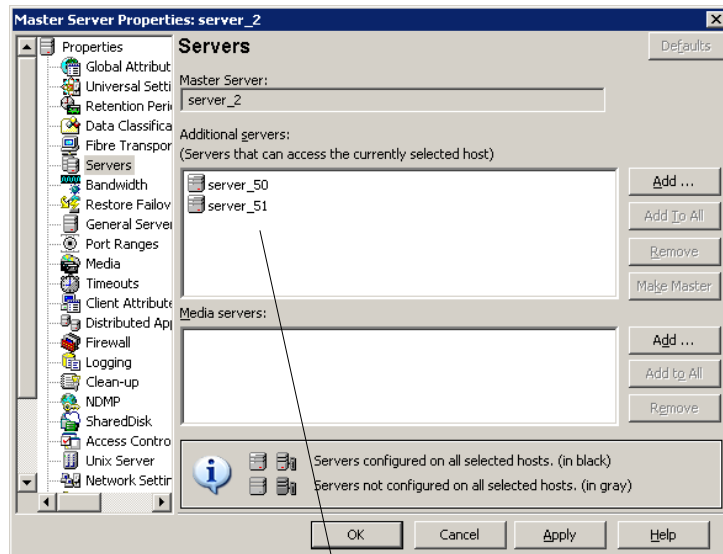
- 1 Access the server properties of the remote server in one of the following ways:
  - Physically go to the Windows destination host (server\_2) and start the **NetBackup Administration Console**.
  - If it is installed, start the **Java Windows Administration Console**, on the local Windows host. Indicate the destination host (server\_2) on the login dialog box.
  - Physically go to the UNIX destination host (server\_2) and start jnbSA. Indicate server\_2 on the logon dialog box.
  - Start the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** (jnbSA) on the local UNIX server (server\_1). Indicate the destination host server\_2 on the login dialog box.



Log in to server\_2 from server\_1. The user name must have sufficient privileges. Or, log in at server\_2.

- 2 Expand **Host Properties > Master Server**.
- 3 Double-click the server name (server\_2) to view the properties.
- 4 Select the **Servers** tab to display the server list.

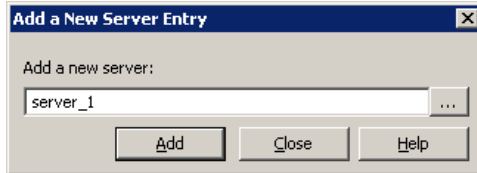
Since the server list does not include server\_1, server\_2 considers server\_1 to be an invalid server.



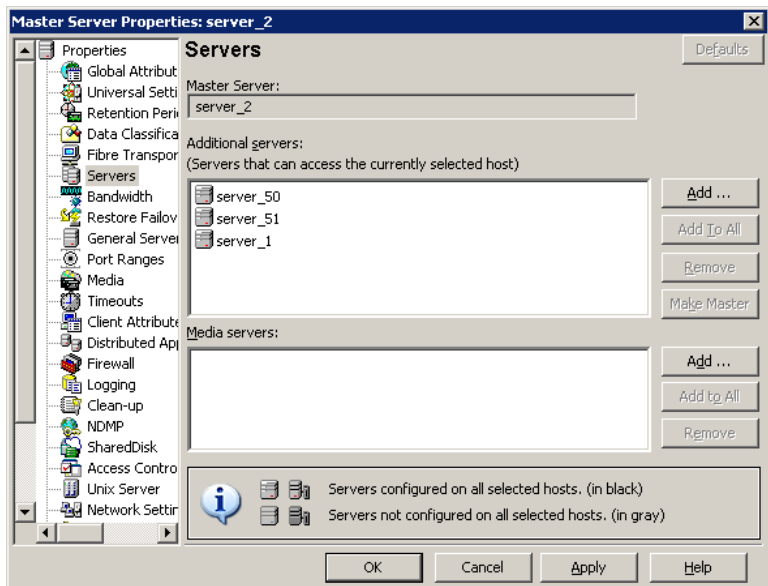
Currently, server\_2 allows remote access to two servers: server\_50 and server\_51

- 5 To add a server to the server list, click **Add**.

- 6 In the **Add New Server Entry** dialog box, type the server name (server\_2) in the field.



- 7 Click **Add** to add the server to the list. Then, click **Close** to close the dialog box. The server appears in the server list.



The `bp.conf` file on every UNIX server contains `SERVER` and possibly `MEDIA_SERVER` entries. The server list in the **Servers** properties dialog box represents these entries. Hosts that are listed as media servers have limited administrative privileges.

- 8 Click **OK** to save the changes.

## About choosing a remote server to administer

To indicate a remote server, use one of the following methods:

- Select the **File > Change Server** menu command in the **NetBackup Administration Console**.  
See [“Using the change server command to administer a remote server”](#) on page 970.
- Specify the remote server in the host name field to start the NetBackup-Java console.  
See [“Indicating a remote system upon login”](#) on page 971.

For a local host to administer a remote server, the name of the local host must appear in the server list of the remote server.

See [“Adding a server to a remote server list”](#) on page 967.

## Using the change server command to administer a remote server

Use the following procedure to change the **NetBackup Administration Console** to a different (or remote) server.

### To use the change server command to administer a remote server

- 1 Start the **NetBackup Administration Console** on a NetBackup-Java capable computer as follows:  
  
Log on and run `jnbSA` as follows:  
  

```
/usr/opensv/java/jnbSA
```
- 2 In the **NetBackup Administration Console** log in screen, specify the local server to manage.
- 3 Click **Login**.
- 4 Select **Master Server** in the left pane (tree view) of the **NetBackup Administration Console**. (The option does not appear in the **File** menu unless the **Master Server** node is selected.)
- 5 Select **File > Change Server**.
- 6 Enter or select the host name and click **OK**.

If the user has the necessary permissions on both servers, the user can transition from one to another without setting up trust relationships.

See [“Adding a server to a remote server list”](#) on page 967.

If the user has administrative privileges on one server and different privileges on another server, the user is required to reauthenticate.

Select **File > Login as New User** to reauthenticate from the **NetBackup Administration Console**. Or, close and reopen the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**, then log on as a different user.

## Indicating a remote system upon login

Use the following procedure to indicate a remote system upon logging on to NetBackup.

This procedure requires that the administrator has one of the following available:

- A Windows system with the **Java Windows Administration Console** installed.
- A NetBackup-Java capable computer.

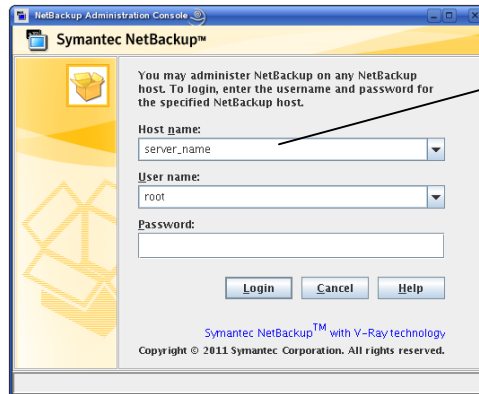
### To indicate a remote system upon login

- 1 Log in to the NetBackup client or server where you want to start the **NetBackup Administration Console**:
  - To start the console on the Windows system where the **Java Windows Administration Console** is installed:  
 Select **Start > Programs > Symantec NetBackup > NetBackup-Java Version 7.5**.
  - To start the **NetBackup Administration Console** on a NetBackup-Java capable computer, run `jnbSA` as follows:

```
/usr/opensv/java/jnbSA
```

- 2 In the **NetBackup Administration Console** login screen, specify the remote server to manage.

Type the user name and password for an authorized NetBackup administrator, then click **Login**.



To log in to a remote server, specify the name of the remote host in the login screen

This process logs you in to the NetBackup-Java application server program on the specified server.

The console program continues to communicate through the server you specified for the remainder of the current session.

See [“About the NetBackup-Java Administration Console”](#) on page 977.

See [“Restricting access to NetBackup-Java applications on Windows”](#) on page 986.

## About using the Remote Administration Console

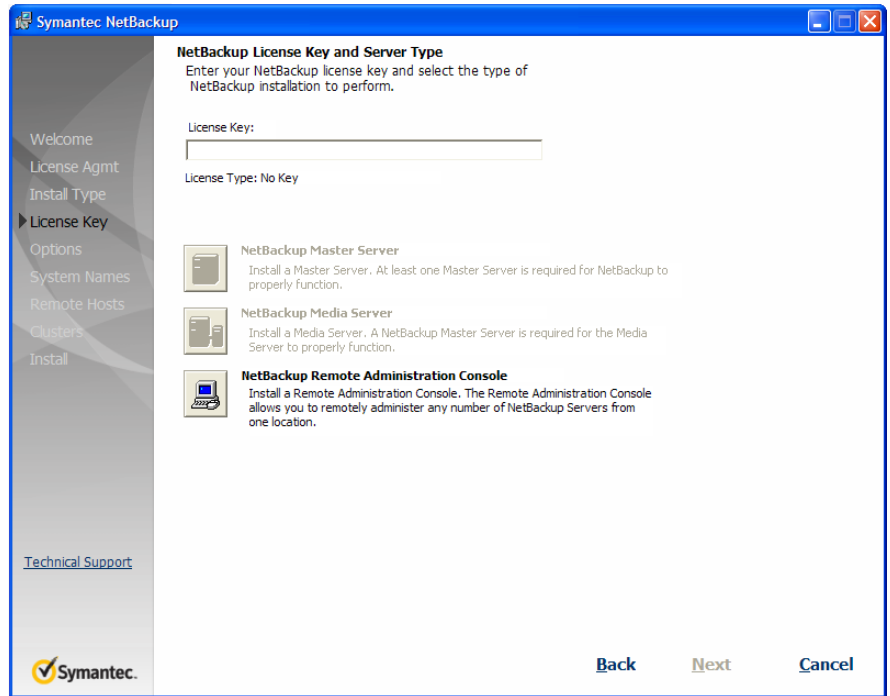
Install the **NetBackup Remote Administration Console** on a Windows computer to remotely manage a Windows or UNIX server. No license is required to install only the console.

Installing the **NetBackup Remote Administration Console** installs the **NetBackup Administration Console** and the client software. The presence of the client software enables the computer to be backed up like any other client. No master server software or media server software is installed.

[Figure 25-3](#) shows how to install the Remote Administration Console.



**Figure 25-3** Remote Administration Console selection on the installation screen



Start the **NetBackup Remote Administration Console** from the menu toolbar. Select **File > Change Server** to change to another NetBackup server.

See “[Adding a server to a remote server list](#)” on page 967.

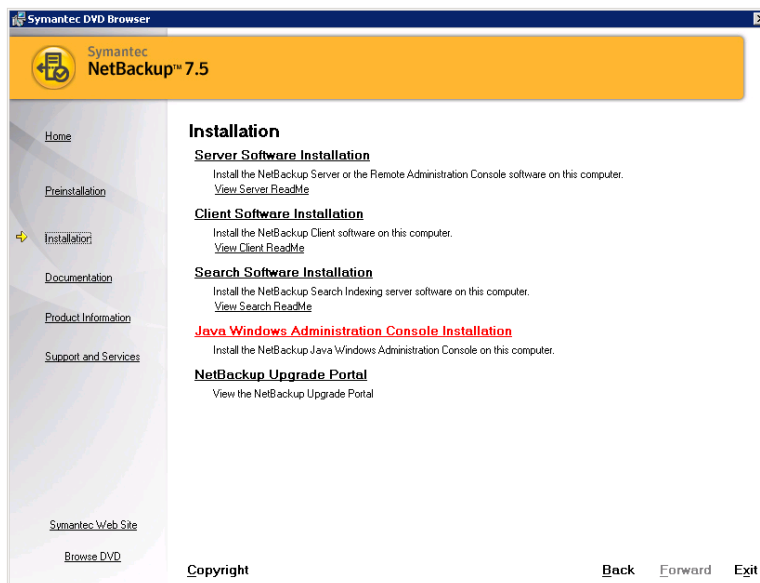
See “[About choosing a remote server to administer](#)” on page 969.

## About using the Java Windows Administration Console

No license is required to install the **Java Windows Administration Console**. Installing the **Java Windows Administration Console** installs the **NetBackup Administration Console** only. No NetBackup master server, media server, or client software is installed.

[Figure 25-4](#) shows how to install the Java Windows Administration Console.

**Figure 25-4** Java Windows Administration Console selection on the installation screen



After it is installed, select **Start > Symantec NetBackup > NetBackup-Java Version 7.5** to start the **Java Windows Administration Console**.

See “[About the NetBackup-Java Administration Console](#)” on page 977.

## About running the NetBackup Administration Console on a NetBackup client

The **NetBackup Administration Console** on a client is useful to administer a NetBackup server remotely. (No NetBackup server software is installed.)

Run the **NetBackup Administration Console** on a client under the following conditions:

- On a Windows client if the **Java Windows Administration Console** is installed.
- On a UNIX client if the client is NetBackup-Java capable.

## About troubleshooting remote server administration

To administer a server from another master server, make sure that the following conditions are met:

- The destination server is operational.
- NetBackup daemons are running on both hosts.
- The network connection is valid.
- The user has administrative privileges on the destination host.
- The current host is listed in the server list of the destination host.  
 See [“About adding a NetBackup server to a server list”](#) on page 966.  
 The host does not need to be listed if the host is a media server or a client. Or, it does not need to be listed if only media and device management or monitoring is to take place.  
 To ensure that all appropriate NetBackup processes use the new server entry, stop and restart the following processes:
  - The NetBackup Database Manager (bpdbm) and NetBackup Request Daemon (bprd) on the remote server if it is Windows.
  - The NetBackup Database Manager and NetBackup Request Daemon on the remote server if it is UNIX.
- Authentication is set up correctly, if used.
- For problems changing servers to configure media or devices or monitor devices, verify that the NetBackup Volume Manager is running on that server.
- If you cannot access devices on the remote host, it may be necessary to add a `SERVER` entry to the `vm.conf` file on that host.  
 See the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II* for instructions.
- If you cannot start or stop processes or services through the Activity Monitor, verify the following:
  - The remote server is a Windows system. Only on other Windows systems can processes be monitored and controlled.
  - You have the required permissions on the remote server. Windows security must allow access to the user that is running the Activity Monitor.



# Using the NetBackup-Java administration console

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About the NetBackup-Java Administration Console](#)
- [About authorizing NetBackup-Java users](#)
- [Authorization file \(auth.conf\) characteristics](#)
- [About authorizing nonroot users for specific applications](#)
- [About authorizing specific tasks in jbpSA](#)
- [About authorizing NetBackup-Java users on Windows](#)
- [Restricting access to NetBackup-Java applications on Windows](#)
- [Runtime configuration options for NetBackup-Java and Java Windows Administration Console](#)
- [About logging the command lines that the NetBackup interfaces use](#)
- [About customizing jnbSA and jbpSA with bp.conf entries](#)
- [About improving NetBackup-Java performance](#)
- [About adjusting time zones in the NetBackup-Java console](#)

## About the NetBackup-Java Administration Console

The **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** is a distributed application that consists of separate system processes:

- The **NetBackup Administration Console** graphical user interface

- Available on UNIX by running `jnbSA`
- Available on Windows by installing the **Java Windows Administration Console**  
See [“About using the Java Windows Administration Console”](#) on page 973.

- The application server (`bpjava` processes)

These processes can be run on two different NetBackup hosts. This distributed application architecture holds true for the UNIX **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client graphical user interface (`jbpsa`) as well.

The administrator first starts the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** interface using one of the following methods:

- Run the `jnbSA` command on UNIX
- Select **Start > Symantec NetBackup > NetBackup-Java Version 7.5** on a Windows system on which the **Java Windows Administration Console** is installed

Then the administrator logs on to the application server on the host that is specified in the logon dialog box.

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**Note:** The host that is specified in the logon dialog box and the system that runs the **NetBackup Administration Console** must run the same NetBackup version.

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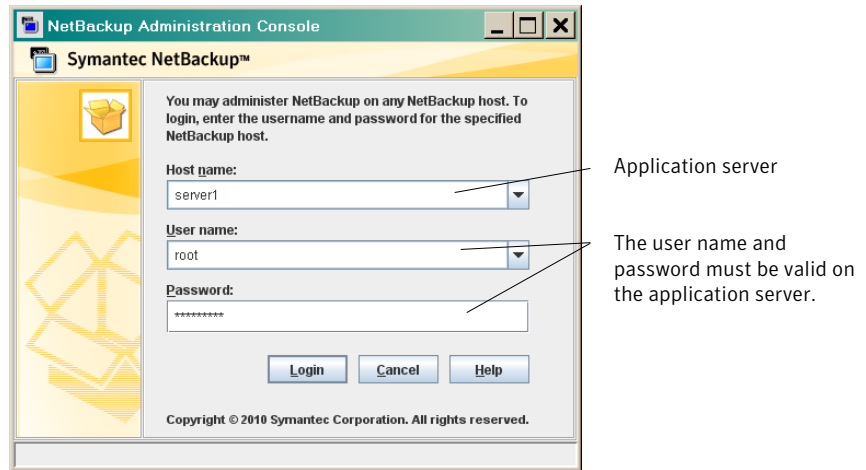
The application server is the host that is specified in the **NetBackup Administration Console** logon dialog box and authenticates the logon credentials of the user. The credentials are authenticated by using standard UNIX user account data and associated APIs.

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**Note:** To log in to any **NetBackup Administration Console**, your login credentials must be authenticated from the connecting master or media server. This is true whether or not NetBackup Access Control (NBAC) is in use.

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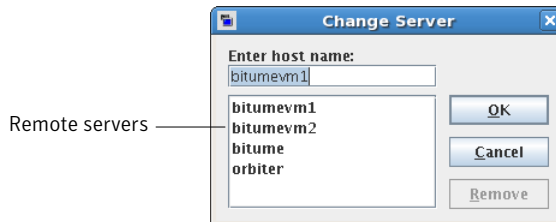
**Figure 26-1** NetBackup logon dialog box



The server that is usually the object of all administrative tasks is the host that is specified in the **NetBackup Administration Console** logon dialog box.

An exception is the use of the **File > Change Server** capability in the **NetBackup Administration Console**. The **Change Server** capability allows administration of a remote server (a server other than the one specified in the **NetBackup Administration Console** logon dialog box).

**Figure 26-2** Change Server dialog box



Regardless of which server is administered, all administrative tasks that are performed in the **NetBackup Administration Console** make requests of the application server. All tasks are run on the application server host, whether the server is remote or whether the server is specified on the logon dialog box.

However, regardless of which NetBackup authorization method is configured, authorization for tasks in the **NetBackup Administration Console** is specific to the server being administered. For example, NetBackup-Java authorization capabilities are in use on Host\_A. Use **Change Server** to change to Host\_B. The permissions are honored as configured in the `auth.conf` on Host\_B.

To administrate from a remote server, the application server host must be included in the server list of the remote server.

See [“About adding a NetBackup server to a server list”](#) on page 966.

See [“Indicating a remote system upon login”](#) on page 971.

# About authorizing NetBackup-Java users

NetBackup offers access control through the Access Management utility in the **NetBackup Administration Console**.

Instructions on how to install the necessary components to use Access Management are available in the *NetBackup Security and Encryption Guide*.

If NetBackup Access Control is not configured, you can still authorize users of the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** for specific applications. NetBackup Access Control always takes precedence over the capabilities authorization of NetBackup-Java.

If a user is not an authorized administrator by NetBackup Access Control, the actions that the user can perform in the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** application are limited. The user can perform the actions that are defined in the `auth.conf` file on the host that is specified in the NetBackup-Java logon dialog box. NetBackup-Java users must log on to the NetBackup-Java application server that is on the NetBackup host where they want to perform administrator or user operations.

The `/usr/opensv/java/auth.conf` file contains the authorization data for accessing NetBackup-Java applications. This file exists only on NetBackup-Java capable machines where the NetBackup-Java interface software is installed.

The default `auth.conf` file provides the following authorizations:

On NetBackup servers	Administration capabilities for the root user and user backup and restore capabilities for all other users.
On NetBackup clients	User backup and restore capabilities for all users.

On all other UNIX NetBackup systems, the file does not exist but the NetBackup-Java application server provides the same default authorization. To change these defaults on other UNIX systems, create the `/usr/opensv/java/auth.conf` file.

To perform remote administration or user operations with `jbpSA`, a user must have valid accounts on the NetBackup UNIX server or client machine.



Nonroot or non-administrator users can be authorized to administer Windows NetBackup servers remotely from the NetBackup-Java Console. Do so by setting up authorization in the `auth.conf` file on the Windows server.

The `auth.conf` file must contain entries for the UNIX user names that are used in the logon dialog box of the NetBackup-Java Console. The `auth.conf` file must reside in `install_path\VERITAS\java` on each Windows server you want to provide nonroot administration capability. Without an `auth.conf` file, the user has the same privileges on the remote server as on the server that is specified in the logon screen. User privileges are the same if `auth.conf` does not contain an entry for the user name even though host authorization between the two is configured. (SERVER entries in the configuration of each.)

## Authorization file (auth.conf) characteristics

The `/usr/opencv/java/auth.conf` file is installed on all NetBackup-Java capable hosts and contains only the following entries:

```
root ADMIN=ALL JBP=ALL
* ADMIN=JBP JBP=ENDUSER+BU+ARC
```

The first field of each entry is the user name that is granted access to the rights that the entry specifies. In the released version, the first field lets root users use all of the NetBackup-Java applications.

An asterisk in the first field indicates that any user name is accepted and the user is allowed to use the applications as specified. If the `auth.conf` file exists, it must have an entry for each user. Or, the `auth.conf` file must have an entry that contains an asterisk (\*) in the user name field; users without entries cannot access any NetBackup-Java applications. Any entries that designate specific user names must precede a line that contains an asterisk in the user name field.

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**Note:** The asterisk specification cannot be used to authorize all users for any administrator capabilities. Each user must be authorized by using individual entries in the `auth.conf` file.

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To deny all capabilities to a specific user, add a line that indicates the user before a line that starts with an asterisk.

For example:

```
mydomain\ray ADMIN= JBP=
* ADMIN=JBP JBP=ENDUSER+BU+ARC
```

The remaining fields specify the access rights.

ADMIN keyword	<p>Specifies the applications that the user can access. ADMIN=ALL allows access to all NetBackup-Java applications and the related administrator-related capabilities.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About authorizing nonroot users for specific applications”</a> on page 983.</p>
JBP keyword	<p>Specifies what the user can do with the Backup, Archive, and Restore client application (jbpSA). JBP=ALL allows access to all Backup, Archive, and Restore capabilities, including those for administration.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“About authorizing specific tasks in jbpSA”</a> on page 984.</p>
asterisk (*)	<p>An asterisk in the first field indicates that any user name is accepted and the user is allowed to use the applications as specified. The second line of the released version contains an asterisk in the first field. The asterisk means that NetBackup-Java validates any user name for access to the <b>Backup, Archive, and Restore</b> client application jbpSA.</p> <p>JBP=ENDUSER+BU+ARC allows users to back up, archive, and restore files only.</p>

The user name and password that is entered in the logon screen must be valid on the machine that is specified in the host field. (True for starting the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** or the Backup, Archive, and Restore application (jbpSA).) The NetBackup-Java application server authenticates the user name and password by using the system password file data for the specified machine. The password must be the same password that was used upon logon at that machine.

For example, assume you log on with the following information:

```
username = joe
password = access
```

Here you must use the same user name and password to log into NetBackup-Java.

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**Note:** The NetBackup-Java logon box accepts passwords greater than eight characters. However, only the first eight are significant upon logon to a NetBackup-Java application server on a UNIX system.

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You can log on to the NetBackup-Java application server under a different user name than the name used to log on to the operating system. For example, if you log on to the operating system with a user name of joe, you can subsequently log on to jnbSA as root.

Upon exit, some application state information is automatically saved in the directory of joe \$HOME/.java/.userPrefs/vrts directory. (For example, table column order.) The information is restored the next time you log on to the

operating system under account joe and initiate the NetBackup-Java application. This logon method of is useful if there is more than one administrator because it saves the state information for each administrator.

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**Note:** NetBackup-Java creates a user's `$HOME/.java/.userPrefs/vrts` directory the first time an application is exited. Only NetBackup-Java applications use the `.java/.userPrefs/vrts` directory.

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If the user name is not valid as determined by the contents of the `auth.conf` file, an error message appears. All applications are inaccessible to the user:

No authorization entry exists in the `auth.conf` file for username *name\_specified\_in\_login\_dialog*. None of the NB-Java applications are available to you.

To summarize, the following types of entries are contained in the `auth.conf` file, as follows:

- The defaults let anyone with any valid user name use the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client application (`jbpsA`). Only root users can access the administrator applications and the administrator capabilities in `jbpsA`.
- Specify entries for valid user names.

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**Note:** The validated user name is the account the user can back up, archive or restore files from or to. The **Backup, Archive, and Restore** application (`jbpsA`) relies on system file permissions of when to browse directories and files to back up or restore.

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## About authorizing nonroot users for specific applications

Nonroot users can be authorized for a subset of the NetBackup-Java administrator applications.

To authorize users for a subset of the NetBackup-Java administrator applications, use the following identifiers for the `ADMIN` keyword in the `auth.conf` file:

ALL	Indicates that the user has administrative privileges for all of the applications that are listed in this table.
AM	Activity Monitor

BMR	Bare Metal Restore
BPM	Backup Policy Management
BAR or JBP	Backup, Archive, and Restore
CAT	Catalog
DM	Device Monitor
HPD	Host Properties
MM	Media Management
REP	Reports
SUM	Storage Unit Management
VLT	Vault Management

For example, to give a user (`user1`) access only to the Device Monitor and Activity Monitor, add the following entry to the `auth.conf` file:

```
user1 ADMIN=DM+AM
```

In order for a nonroot user to modify the files that the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** uses, run the `nonroot_admin_nbjava` script. The script changes permissions on the following files:

```
/usr/opensv/java/auth.conf
/usr/opensv/java/Debug.properties
/usr/opensv/java/nbj.conf
```

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**Note:** `nonroot_admin_nbjava` is located in `/usr/opensv/java/nonroot_admin_nbjava`.

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# About authorizing specific tasks in jbpSA

The **Backup, Archive, and Restore** interface can be configured to let only a user perform certain tasks. Not all tasks can be performed successfully without some additional configuration.

The following require additional configuration and are documented elsewhere:

- Redirected restores.  
See [“About server-directed restores”](#) on page 1011.

See “[About client-redirected restores](#)” on page 1012.

- User backups or archives require a policy schedule of these types and the task to be submitted within the time window of the schedule.

To authorize users for a subset of **Backup, Archive, and Restore** capabilities, use the following identifiers for the `JBP` keyword in the `auth.conf` file:

**Table 26-1** Identifiers for the `JBP` keyword in the `auth.conf` file

Identifier	Description
ENDUSER	Allows the users to perform restore tasks from true image or regular backups plus redirected restores.
BU	Allows the users to perform backup tasks.
ARC	Allows the users to perform archive tasks. The capability to perform backups (BU) is required to allow archive tasks.
RAWPART	Allows the users to perform raw partition restores.
ALL	Allows the users to perform all actions, including server-directed restores. (Restores to a client that is different from the client that is logged into.) Server-directed restores can only be performed from a NetBackup master server.

For example, to allow a user (`user1`) to restore but not backup up or archive files:

```
user1 ADMIN=JBP JBP=ENDUSER
```

## About authorizing NetBackup-Java users on Windows

To use the **Java Windows Administration Console**, first log on to the NetBackup-Java application server. The application server is on the NetBackup host where you want to perform NetBackup administration or user operations.

To log on to the application server, log on to the dialog box that appears when the console is started. Provide a valid user name and password for the system that is specified in the **Host name** field of the log in dialog box.

The user name for Windows must be of the form: *domainname\username*

*domainname* specifies the domain of the NetBackup host. The domain is not required if the NetBackup host is not a member of a domain.

The NetBackup-Java application server authenticates the user name and password by using standard Windows authentication capabilities for the specified computer.

If NetBackup Access Control is not configured for the users, by default the NetBackup-Java application server provides authorization data. The authorization data allows all users who are members of the administrator group for the host's domain to use all the NetBackup-Java applications. Other users are allowed to access only **Backup, Archive, and Restore**.

To restrict access to NetBackup-Java or some of its applications, create a *Install\_path\java\auth.conf* authorization file.

See [“About the NetBackup-Java Administration Console”](#) on page 977.

## Restricting access to NetBackup-Java applications on Windows

Use the following procedure to restrict access to one or more of the NetBackup-Java applications.

### To restrict access to one or more of the NetBackup-Java applications

- 1 Create the following file on the Windows system:

```
Install_path\java\auth.conf
```

- 2 Add an entry in *auth.conf* for each user that accesses NetBackup-Java applications. The existence of this file, along with the entries it contains, prohibits unlisted users from accessing NetBackup-Java applications on the Windows system. The following is a sample *auth.conf* file on a Windows system:

```
mydomain\Administrator ADMIN=ALL JBP=ALL
mydomain\joe ADMIN=ALL JBP=ALL
* ADMIN=JBP JBP=ENDUSER+BU+ARC
```

See [“About authorizing NetBackup-Java users”](#) on page 980.

## Runtime configuration options for NetBackup-Java and Java Windows Administration Console

On UNIX systems, file */usr/opensv/java/nbj.conf* contains configuration options for the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**. Enter one option per line, following the same syntax rules as exist for the *bp.conf* file.

On Windows systems, the analogous file containing configuration options for the **Java Windows Administration Console** is *Install\_path\java\setconf.bat*

`nbg.conf` and `setconf.bat` contain commands for each of the configuration options that are described in the following topics. To make changes, change the value after the equal sign in the relevant set command.

## FIREWALL\_IN

The `FIREWALL_IN` configuration option provides a method to use a **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** that is outside of a trusted network to administer the NetBackup master servers that are within a trusted network.

This option uses the following format.

On UNIX:

```
FIREWALL_IN= HOST1:PORT1=HOST2:PORT2[;...;HOSTn:PORTn=HOSTm:PORTm]
```

On Windows:

```
SET FIREWALL_IN=
HOST1:PORT1=HOST2:PORT2;IP_ADDR1:PORT3=IP_ADDR2:PORT4
SET FIREWALL_IN >> "%NBJDIR%" \nbgconf
```

Where *HOST* is a host name or an IP address.

This configuration option provides a way to allow administrators to bypass the firewall by using one of the following methods:

- Enter the port number of the `bpjava` service in the trusted internal network. Then, map the private interface where the `bpjava` service runs to a public interface that can be reached from outside the firewall.
- Set up a Secure Shell (SSH) tunnel from the local host to the system inside the firewall.

In the following example:

- Master server `NBUMaster.symc.com` is in a trusted network, behind a firewall.
- The IP address of `NBUMaster.symc.com` is `10.221.12.55`.
- The **NetBackup Java Administration Console** is installed on `localhost`.
- SSH tunnels exist from `localhost` to `NBUMaster.symc.com` as follows:

<code>bpjava-msvc</code> port (default 13722)	<code>localhost:port1</code>
<code>vnetd</code> port (default 13724)	<code>localhost:port2</code>
<code>pbx</code> port (default 1556)	<code>localhost:12345</code>

Where **localhost** is the host name and `port1` is the IP port.

To make relevant changes for connections to `bpjava-msvc` and `vnetd`, see the following topic:

See [“VNETD\\_PORT”](#) on page 992.

On UNIX systems, add the following line to the `nbj.conf` file:

```
FIREWALL_IN=NBUMaster.symc.com:1556=localhost:12345;10.221.12.55:12345=localhost:12345
```

The entry indicates the following:

- The connection to `NBUMaster.symc.com:1556` is to be redirected to `localhost:12345`.
- The connection to `10.221.12.55:1556` is to be redirected to `localhost:12345`.

On Windows systems, use `setconf.bat` to add the option:

```
SET FIREWALL_IN=
NBUMaster.symc.com:1556=localhost:12345;10.221.12.55:12345=localhost:12345
SET FIREWALL_IN >> "%NBJDIR%" \nbjconf
```

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**Note:** The same options are used if `NBUMaster.symc.com` has a public interface (`NBUMasterpub.symc.com`) that can be reached from the Internet. In this case, the administrator replaces `localhost` with `NBUMasterPub.symc.com`.

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## FORCE\_IPADDR\_LOOKUP

The `FORCE_IPADDR_LOOKUP` configuration option specifies whether NetBackup performs an IP address lookup to determine if two host name strings are indeed the same host. This option uses the following format:

```
FORCE_IPADDR_LOOKUP = [ 0 | 1 ]
```

Where:

- 0 Indicates that no IP address lookup is performed to determine if two host name strings are indeed the same host. They are considered to be the same host if the host name strings compare equally. Or, if a short name compares equally to the short name of a partially or fully qualified host name.
- 1 Indicates that an IP address lookup is performed if the two host name strings do not match. The lookup determines if they have the same host. The default is to perform an IP address lookup if necessary to resolve the comparison. The IP address lookup is not performed if the host name strings compare equally.



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**Note:** Use a value of 1 for this option if you have the same host name in two different domains. For example, `eagle.abc.xyz` and `eagle.def.xyz` or by using host name aliases.

---

Many places in the **NetBackup Administration Console** compare host names to determine if the two are the same host. For example, the **File > Change Server** command.

The IP address lookup can consume time and result in slower response time. However, accurate comparisons are important.

No IP address lookup is necessary if the host name is specified consistently in the **NetBackup Administration Console** logon dialog box. It must match how the host names are configured in NetBackup. Host names are identified in the server list that is found in the Servers host properties. On UNIX systems, the host names also appear in the `bp.conf` file.

Using host names `eagle` and `hawk`, the following describes how this option works:

`FORCE_IPADDR_LOOKUP = 0`

Comparisons of the following result in no IP address lookup. The hosts are considered to be the same host.

```
eagle and eagle
eagle.abc.def and eagle.abc.def
eagle.abc and eagle.abc.def
eagle and eagle.abc.def
eagle and eagle.anything
```

The hosts are considered to be different for any comparisons of short, partially, or fully qualified host names of `eagle` and `hawk` regardless of aliases.

`FORCE_IPADDR_LOOKUP = 1`

Comparisons of the following result in no IP address lookup. The hosts are considered to be the same host.

```
eagle and eagle
eagle.abc and eagle.abc
eagle.abc.def and eagle.abc.def
```

In addition to all comparisons of `eagle` and `hawk`, the following result in an IP address lookup. The comparison determines if the hosts are indeed the same host.

```
eagle.abc and eagle.abc.def
eagle and eagle.abc.def
eagle and eagle.anything
```

## INITIAL\_MEMORY, MAX\_MEMORY

Both `INITIAL_MEMORY` and `MAX_MEMORY` allow configuration of memory usage for the Java Virtual Machine (JVM).

Symantec recommends that the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**, the **Java Windows Administration Console**, or the NetBackup **Backup, Archive, and Restore** user interface run on a system that contains at least 1 gigabyte of physical memory. Make sure that 256 megabytes of memory are available to the application.

`INITIAL_MEMORY` specifies how much memory is allocated for the heap when the JVM starts. The value probably does not require changing. The default is sufficient for quickest initialization of `jnbSA`, the **Java Windows Administration Console**, or `jbpSA` on a system with the recommended amount of memory.

On UNIX systems, the initial memory allocation can also be specified as part of the `jnbSA` or `jbpSA` command. For example:

```
jnbSA -ms 36M
```

Default = 36M (megabytes).

`MAX_MEMORY` specifies the maximum heap size that the JVM uses for dynamically allocated objects and arrays. If the amount of data is large, consider specifying the maximum heap size. For example, a large number of jobs in the Activity Monitor.

On UNIX systems, the maximum memory allocation can also be specified as part of the `jnbSA` or `jbpSA` command. For example:

```
jnbSA -mx 512M
```

Default = 256M (megabytes).

## MEM\_USE\_WARNING

The `MEM_USE_WARNING` configuration option specifies the percent of memory used compared to `MAX_MEMORY`, at which time a warning dialog box appears to the user. Default = 80%. This option uses the following format:

```
MEM_USE_WARNING=80
```

## NBJAVA\_CLIENT\_PORT\_WINDOW

The `NBJAVA_CLIENT_PORT_WINDOW` configuration option specifies the range of non-reserved ports on this computer to use for connecting to the NetBackup-Java application server. It also specifies the range of ports to use to connect to the

`bpjobjd` daemon from the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console's** Activity Monitor.

This option uses the following format:

```
NBJAVA_CLIENT_PORT_WINDOW = n m
```

Where:

- n* Indicates the first in a range of non-reserved ports that are used for connecting to the `bpjava` processes on the NetBackup-Java application server. It also specifies the range of ports to use to connect to the `bpjobjd` daemon or Windows service from the Activity Monitor of the **Java Windows Administration Console**.

If *n* is set to 0, the operating system determines the non-reserved port to use (default).

- m* Indicates the last in a range of non-reserved ports that are used for connecting to the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** or the **Java Windows Administration Console**.

If *n* and *m* are set to 0, the operating system determines the non-reserved port to use (default).

The minimum acceptable range for each user is 120. Each additional concurrent user requires an additional 120. For example, the entry for three concurrent users might look as follows:

```
NBJAVA_CLIENT_PORT_WINDOW = 5000 5360
```

If the range is not set wide enough, `jnbSA` exits with an error message that states an invalid value has occurred during initialization.

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**Note:** Performance is reduced with the use of `NBJAVA_CLIENT_PORT_WINDOW`.

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## NBJAVA\_CORBA\_DEFAULT\_TIMEOUT

The `NBJAVA_CORBA_DEFAULT_TIMEOUT` configuration entry specifies the default timeout that is used for most CORBA operations that the **Java Administration Console** performs.

This option is present by default and uses the following format:

```
NBJAVA_CORBA_DEFAULT_TIMEOUT=60
```

The default is 60 seconds.

## NBJAVA\_CORBA\_LONG\_TIMEOUT

The `NBJAVA_CORBA_LONG_TIMEOUT` configuration entry specifies the timeout value that the **Java Administration Console** uses in the following areas:

- Device Configuration Wizard
- Disk Pool Configuration Wizard
- Disk Pool Inventory

This option is present by default and uses the following format:

```
NBJAVA_CORBA_LONG_TIMEOUT=1800
```

The default is 1800 seconds.

## PBX\_PORT

The `PBX_PORT` configuration entry specifies the pbx port.

This option is present by default and uses the following format:

```
PBX_PORT=1556
```

## VNETD\_PORT

The `VNETD_PORT` is the configured port for the `vnetd` daemon process and is registered with the Internet Assigned Number Authority (IANA).

This option uses the following format:

```
VNETD_PORT=13724
```

Symantec recommends that this port not be changed. If changes are necessary, make the change on all NetBackup hosts in the relevant NetBackup cluster.

This option is preserved for backward compatibility when the 7.0.1 JAVA interface is used to communicate with a 7.0 NetBackup server.

See the *NetBackup Installation Guide*.

The value must be set in the corresponding `nbj.conf` (UNIX) or `setconf.bat` (Windows) configuration option.

# About logging the command lines that the NetBackup interfaces use

At times it may be helpful to see which command lines the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** or the NetBackup **Backup, Archive, and Restore** user interface uses. Use option `-lc` to log to a log file the command lines that `jnbSA` or `jbpSA` uses. No value is necessary. For example:

```
/usr/opensv/java/jbpSA -lc
```

---

**Note:** jnbSA and jbpSA do not always use the command lines to retrieve or update data. The interfaces have protocols that instruct the application server to perform tasks using NetBackup and Media Manager APIs.

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## About customizing jnbSA and jbpSA with bp.conf entries

The `INITIAL_BROWSE_SEARCH_LIMIT` and `KEEP_LOGS_DAYS` options in the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf` file let the administrator and users customize the following aspects of jbpSA operation, as follows:

- `INITIAL_BROWSE_SEARCH_LIMIT` limits the start date of the search for restores and can improve performance when large numbers of backups are done.
- `KEEP_LOGS_DAYS` specifies how long job and progress log files are kept that the NetBackup-Java **Backup, Archive, and Restore** application (jbpSA) generates. The files are written into the following directories:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/user_ops/_username_/jobs
```

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/user_ops/_username_/logs
```

A directory exists for each user that uses the NetBackup-Java applications. The default is three days.

This option also controls how long the NetBackup-Java GUI log files are kept in `/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/user_ops/nbjlogs`.

## About improving NetBackup-Java performance

The most important factor to consider concerning performance issues while using the following interfaces is the platform on which the console is running:

- **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**
- **Java Windows Administration Console**
- **NetBackup Backup, Archive, and Restore** user interface

Regardless of the platform, you can run the administration console from one of the following locations:

- Run it locally on a desktop host (on supported Windows and UNIX platforms)

- Run it remotely and display it back to a desktop host (from supported UNIX platforms)

To provide the best performance, the recommended method for using these consoles is to run the consoles locally on a desktop host. When the consoles are run locally, they do not exhibit the font and the display issues that can be present in some remote display-back configurations.

## About running the Java console locally

On Windows platforms, select **Start > Symantec NetBackup > NetBackup-Java Version 7.5** to start the **Java Windows Administration Console**. The **Start** menu item appears if you install the optional **Java Windows Administration Console** available on the main NetBackup for Windows installation screen.

On supported UNIX platforms, the console is run locally if `jnbSA` or `jbpSA` is entered on the same host on which the console is appears. That is, your display environment variable is set to the host on which the `jnbSA` or `jbpSA` commands were entered.

Improvements in Java technology have made remote X-display back potentially viable on some platforms. However, problems continue with certain controls in the consoles. For example, incorrect combo box operations, sluggish scrolling, and display problems in tables with many rows. More serious issues have also occurred. Consoles can abort and hang because of a Java Virtual Machine (JVM) failure when run in this mode on some platforms. These JVM failures are most often seen on the AIX platform. Therefore, Symantec cannot recommend running the consoles in a remote X-display back configuration.

## About running a console locally and administering a remote server

The **NetBackup Administration Console** and the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** user console are distributed applications. Both applications consist of two major and separate system processes that can run on different machines. For example: the **NetBackup Administration Console** on one machine and the console's application server - `bpjava` processes on another machine.

The **NetBackup Administration Console** does not need to run on a NetBackup server host. However, the application server must run on this host in order for you to be able to administer NetBackup.

Although the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** does not run on all NetBackup-supported platforms, the application server for the console does run on all supported platforms. The distributed application architecture enables direct administration of all NetBackup platforms, even though the consoles themselves run only on a subset of the NetBackup-supported platforms.

To log into the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**, specify a host name. The host name is the machine where the application server (`bpjava`) runs. (For example, a NetBackup master server.) All requests or updates that are initiated in the console are sent to its application server that runs on this host.

## About enhancing console performance

Performance of the NetBackup-Java applications depends on the environment where the applications are running, including available resources and network throughput. The NetBackup-Java default configuration, specifically the `INITIAL_MEMORY` and `MAX_MEMORY` configuration options, assumes sufficient memory resources on the machine where the console is running. For example, where the `jnbSA` command is run or the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** is started.

Following are guidelines for improving performance:

- Consider the network communication speed and the amount of data being transferred.
- Consider the amount of work being performed on the relevant machines.  
Run NetBackup-Java on a machine that has a low level of activity. For example, there can be large differences in response time when other memory-intensive applications are running on the machine. (For example, Web browsers.) Multiple instances of NetBackup-Java on the same machine have the same effect.
- Run NetBackup-Java on a 1-gigabyte machine that has at least 256 MB of RAM available to the application. In some instances, the application does not initiate due to insufficient memory. A number of messages identify these failures in the xterm window where the `jnbSA` command was run. Or, the messages appear in the application log file. Possible messages include the following:

```
Error occurred during initialization of VM
Could not reserve enough space for object heap
Out of Memory
```

See [“INITIAL\\_MEMORY, MAX\\_MEMORY”](#) on page 990.

- Consider the amount of physical memory on the relevant machines. Possibly add memory on the host being administered (the console’s application server host).
- Consider increasing the swap space to relevant machines:
  - The console host (the host where the console is started)
  - The host being administered

Increase the amount of swap space available to the system where you are running the applications can increase performance. Especially if there is a great deal of other activity on the machine. More swap space can alleviate hangs or other problems that relate to insufficient memory for the applications.

- Consider additional or faster CPUs to relevant machines:
  - The console host (the host where the console is started)
  - The host being administered
- To save startup time, allow NetBackup-Java to run rather than exit and restart. Startup of the Java Virtual Machine can take longer than other applications.
- Consider limiting the amount of NetBackup data that is retained for long periods of time to only that which is necessary. For example, do not retain successfully completed jobs for more than a few hours.  
See [“About the jobs database”](#) on page 924.

## About determining better performance when console is run locally or uses remote display back

Performance depends on the following:

- The speed of the network
- The console and the application server machine resources
- The workloads on the console
- The application server hosts
- The amount of NetBackup data (Data is the number of jobs in the Activity Monitor or number of NetBackup policies.)

The console may perform better if started on the console’s application server host, then displayed back to the desktop host. However, Symantec is not aware of a situation where that configuration produces better console performance. As previously mentioned, the configuration is not recommended due to problems unrelated to performance issues.

Consider the following scenarios to determine what would provide the best performance for your configuration.

## NetBackup-Java performance scenario 1

Assume no deficiency in either the console host’s resources or the application server host’s resources. Assume that the amount of NetBackup configuration data



being transferred to the console host far exceeds the X-Windows pixel display data. That is, the actual console screen being sent from the remote host.

Unfortunately, the only way to determine the viability of this situation is to try it. Network capabilities and the proximity of the two hosts influences each NetBackup configuration.

## NetBackup-Java performance scenario 2

Assume that the available resources of the application server host far exceed that of the console host.

Assume that the console host has a very limited CPU and memory as compared to the NetBackup master server being administered. (The console host is the machine on which the console is started.) If the console is run on the master server and displayed back to the desktop host, performance may be enhanced.

If the desktop host is a Windows machine, X-terminal emulation or remote display tools such as Exceed and VNC are required.

These scenarios address the performance aspect of using the NetBackup-Java console. There may be other reasons that require you to display back remotely to your desktop, however, it is not recommended. Review the Release Notes for additional issues of relevance to the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** and the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client console.

[Table 26-2](#) shows the files that contain configuration entries.

**Table 26-2** Files containing configuration entries

File	Description
/usr/opensv/java/auth.conf	Authorization options.
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf	Configuration options (server and client).
/usr/opensv/java/nbj.conf	Configuration options for the NetBackup-Java Console
/usr/opensv/volmgr/vm.conf	Configuration options for media and device management.
\$HOME/bp.conf	Configuration options for user (on client).

## About adjusting time zones in the NetBackup-Java console

Sites in a geographically dispersed NetBackup configuration may need to adjust the time zone in the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** for administration of remote NetBackup hosts. (In this context, a remote NetBackup host may either be the host that is specified in the administration console logon dialog box or one referenced by the **File > Change Server** capability in the console.)

The default time zone for the console is that of the host on which the console is started, not the host that is specified (if different) in the console logon dialog box.

For backup, restore, or archive operations from within the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** (`jnbSA`) or the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** application when run on a client (`jbpSA`), set the time zone relative to the NetBackup server from which the client restores files.

Set the time zone in separate instances of the **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** when servers in different time zones are administered.

For example, open a **NetBackup-Java Administration Console** to set the time zone for the local server in the Central time zone. To set the time zone for a server in the Pacific time zone as well, open another **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**.

Do not open a new window in the first **NetBackup-Java Administration Console**. Change servers (**File > Change Server**), and then set the time zone for the Pacific time zone server. Doing so changes the time zone for the Central time zone server as well.

## Adjusting the time zone in the NetBackup-Java console

Use the following procedure in the NetBackup-Java console to adjust the time zone or to use daylight savings time.

To adjust the time zone in the NetBackup-Java console

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, or in the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client dialog box, select **File > Adjust Application Time Zone**.
- 2 Select the **Standard** tab.
- 3 Clear the **Use custom time zone** check box.
- 4 Select the time zone.
- 5 For daylight savings time, select **Use daylight savings time**.

- 6 To have administrative capabilities and to apply the settings to the current session and all future sessions, select **Save as default time zone**.
- 7 Click **OK**.

## Configuring a custom time zone in the NetBackup-Java console

Use the following procedure to configure a custom time zone in the NetBackup-Java console.

### To configure a custom time zone in the NetBackup-Java console

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, or in the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client dialog box, select **File > Adjust Application Time Zone**.
- 2 Select the **Use custom time zone** check box.
- 3 Select the **Custom** tab.
- 4 Select the time zone on which to base the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** interface time.
- 5 For the **Offset from Greenwich Mean Time** setting, adjust the time to reflect how many hours and minutes the server's time zone is either behind or ahead of Greenwich Mean Time.
- 6 Select the **Use daylight savings time** checkbox.

7 In the Daylight savings time start section of the dialog, see the following table to set the DST start time:

Begin DST on a specific date	Select <b>Absolute date</b> and indicate the month and day To begin DST on April 5, set as follows:
Begin DST on the first occurrence of a day in a month	Select <b>First day of week in month</b> . Indicate the day of the week and the month. To begin DST on the first Monday in April, set as follows:
Begin DST on the first occurrence of a day in a month and after a specific date	Select <b>First day of week in month after date</b> . Indicate the day of the week and the month and day. To begin DST on the first Monday after April 5, set as follows:
Begin DST on the last occurrence of a day in a month	Select <b>Last day of week in month</b> . Indicate the day of the week and the month. To begin DST on the last Thursday in April:
Begin DST on the last occurrence of a day in a month and before a specific date	Select <b>Last day of week in month before date</b> . Indicate the day of the week and the month and day. To begin DST before April 30, set as follows:

- 8 Indicate when DST should end by using one of the methods in the previous step.
- 9 To have administrative capabilities and apply the settings to the current session and all future sessions, select **Save as default time zone**.
- 10 Click **OK**.

# Alternate server restores

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About alternate server restores](#)
- [About supported configurations for alternate server restores](#)
- [About performing alternate server restores](#)

## About alternate server restores

This topic explains how to restore files by using a server other than the one that was used to write the backup. This type of restore operation is called an alternate server restore or server independent restore. It allows easier access to data for restores in master and media server clusters and provides better failover and disaster recovery capabilities.

The architecture of NetBackup allows storage devices to be located on multiple servers (either separate storage devices or a shared robot). The NetBackup image catalog on the master server contains an entry that defines the server (master or media server) to which each backup was written. Information specific to the backup media is contained within the master server image catalog (in the attribute file for each backup). The information is also contained in the Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) database, generally located on the master server.

To restore data through a device on another server is more involved than other restores. Use the methods that are described in this topic to restore the backups. Although the methods do not require you to expire and import backup images, in some instances it is useful.

The information in this topic is also pertinent in the case of restoring from a backup copy. If you created multiple copies of a backup, it is possible to restore from a specific backup copy other than the primary copy. To do so, use the `bprestore` command.

More information is available in the *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*.

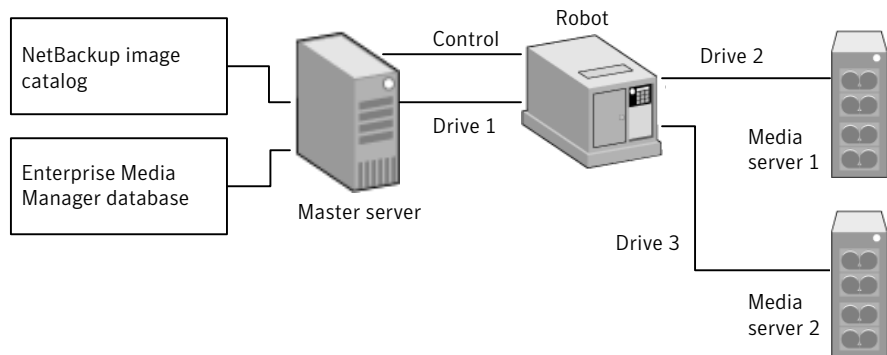
See [“Expiring and importing media for alternate server restores”](#) on page 1008.

## About supported configurations for alternate server restores

All of the methods for alternate server restores require that the server that is used for the restore be in the same cluster as the server that performed the original backup. It must also share the same Enterprise Media Manager database.

[Figure 27-1](#) and [Figure 27-2](#) show configurations where NetBackup supports alternate server restores. All methods require that the server that is used for the restore be in the same cluster as the server that performed the original backup. The server must also share the same Enterprise Media Manager database.

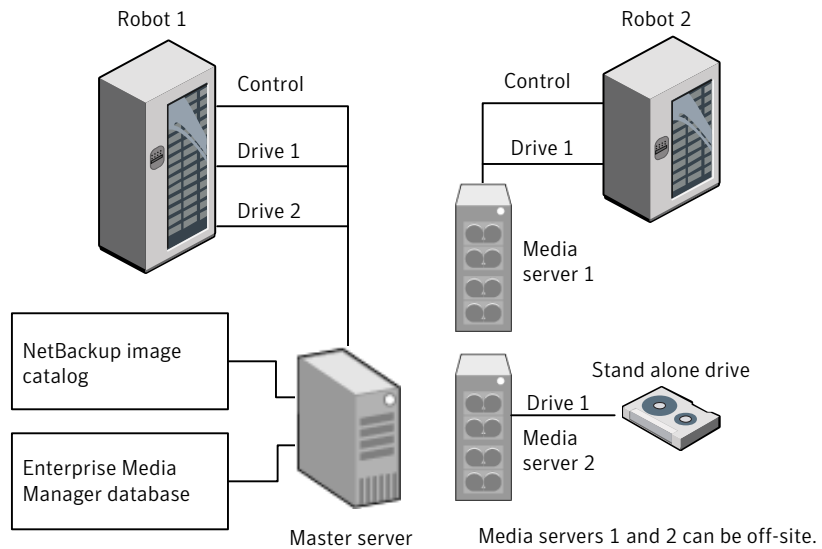
**Figure 27-1** NetBackup servers that share robotic peripherals



Assume the following in [Figure 27-1](#):

- A single, shared Enterprise Media Manager database exists on the NetBackup master server.
- The NetBackup master server is available at time of restore.
- Robotic control is on a NetBackup server that is available at the time of the restore.

**Figure 27-2** NetBackup servers with separate non-shared peripherals



Assume the following in [Figure 27-2](#):

- The media is made physically accessible through an available NetBackup server. The Enterprise Media Manager database is updated to reflect this move.
- A single, shared Enterprise Media Manager database exists on the NetBackup master server.
- The NetBackup master server is available at time of restore
- Robotic control (if applicable) is on a NetBackup server that is available at the time of the restore.

## About performing alternate server restores

The method that NetBackup administrators can use to perform alternate server restores depends on the configuration and the situation. The method can include one or more of the following:

- Modify the NetBackup catalogs.  
See [“About modifying the NetBackup catalogs”](#) on page 1004.
- Override the original server for restores.  
See [“Overriding the original server for restores”](#) on page 1005.
- Enable automatic failover to an alternate server

See [“About enabling automatic failover to an alternate server”](#) on page 1007.

## About modifying the NetBackup catalogs

To perform alternate server restores by modifying the NetBackup catalogs, change the contents of the NetBackup catalogs. Use this method only when the server reassignment is permanent.

Some examples of when to use this method are as follows:

- Media is moved to an off-site location, where a media server exists.
- A robot was moved from one server to another.
- Two (or more) servers share a robot, each with connected drives and one of the servers is to be disconnected or replaced.
- Two (or more) servers each have their own robots. One of the server's robots has run out of media capacity for future backups, while several empty slots exist on another server's robot.

The actual steps that are used vary depending on whether the original server is still available.

### Modifying NetBackup catalogs when the server that wrote the media is available

Use the following procedure to modify catalogs when the server that wrote the media is available.

#### To modify NetBackup catalogs when the server that wrote the media is available

- 1 If necessary, physically move the media.
- 2 Update the Enterprise Media Manager database by using move volume options in the Media Manager administration utilities.
- 3 Update the NetBackup image catalog on the master server.
- 4 Update the NetBackup media catalogs on both the original NetBackup server (*oldserver*) and the destination NetBackup server (*newserver*).

Use the following command, which can be run from any one of the NetBackup servers.

Enter the `admincmd` command on one line:

- As root on a UNIX NetBackup server:

```
cd /usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd
bpmedia -movedb -m media_id -newserver hostname
-oldserver hostname
```



- As administrator on a Windows NetBackup server:

```
cd install_path\NetBackup\bin\admincmd  
bpmedia.exe -movedb -m media_id  
-newserver hostname -oldserver hostname
```

## Modifying NetBackup catalogs when the server that wrote the media is unavailable

Use the following procedure to modify catalogs when the server that wrote the media is unavailable.

### To modify NetBackup catalogs when the server that wrote the media is unavailable

- 1 If necessary, physically move the media.
- 2 Update the Enterprise Media Manager database by using the move volume options in the **Media and Device Management** window.
- 3 Update only the NetBackup image catalog on the master server.

Use the following commands from the NetBackup master server.

Enter the `admincmd` command on one line:

- As root on a UNIX NetBackup server:

```
cd /usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd  
bpimage -id media_id -newserver hostname  
-oldserver hostname
```

- As administrator on a Windows NetBackup server:

```
cd install_path\NetBackup\bin\admincmd  
bpimage.exe -id media_id -newserver hostname  
-oldserver hostname
```

## Overriding the original server for restores

NetBackup allows the administrator to force restores to a specific server, regardless of where the files were backed up. For example, if files were backed up on server A, a restore request can be forced to use server B.

Examples of when to use this method are as follows:

- Two (or more) servers share a robot, each with connected drives. A restore is requested while one of the servers is either temporarily unavailable or is busy doing backups.

- A server was removed from the NetBackup configuration, and is no longer available.

Use the following procedure to override the original server for restores.

#### To override the original server for restores

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**. Depending on the type of server to override, click on either **Master Servers** or **Media Servers**.

See [“General Server properties”](#) on page 142.

- 2 In the right pane, click on the selected server to open the **General Server** host properties dialog box.
- 3 In the **General Server** host properties dialog box, click on the **Add** button to open the **Add Media Override settings** window. Add entries for the original backup server and the restore server and click the **Add** button in the **Add Media Override settings** window.
- 4 Click **OK**.

## Overriding the original server for restores manually

Use the following procedure to manually override the original server for restores.

#### To manually override the original server for restores

- 1 If necessary, physically move the media and update the Enterprise Media Manager database Media Manager volume database to reflect the move.
- 2 Modify the NetBackup configuration on the master server as follows:

- By using the **NetBackup Administration Console**:

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**. Click on **Master Servers**. In the right pane, click on the selected server to open the **General Server** host properties dialog box of the master server.

In the **General Server** host properties dialog box, click on the **Add** button to open the **Add Media Override settings** window. Add entries for the original backup server and the restore server and click the **Add** button in the **Add Media Override settings** window.

- By modifying the `bp.conf` file on a UNIX NetBackup server:

As `root` add the following entry to the

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf file:  
FORCE_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVER = fromhost tohost
```

The *fromhost* is the server that wrote the original backup and the *tohost* is the server to use for the restore.

To revert to the original configuration for future restores, delete the changes that were made in this step.

- 3 Click **OK**.
- 4 Stop and restart the NetBackup Request daemon on the master server.

The override applies to all storage units on the original server. This means that restores for any storage unit on *fromhost* go to *tohost*.

## About enabling automatic failover to an alternate server

NetBackup allows the administrator to configure automatic restore failover to an alternate server if the original server is temporarily inaccessible. Once it is configured, this method does not require administrator intervention.

See [“Restore Failover properties”](#) on page 200.

Some examples of when to use this method are as follows:

- Two or more servers share a robot, each with connected drives.  
When a restore is requested, one of the servers is temporarily inaccessible.
- Two or more servers have stand-alone drives of the same type.  
When a restore is requested, one of the servers is temporarily inaccessible.

In these instances, inaccessible means that the connection between `bprd` on the master server and `bptm` on the original server (through `bpcd`) fails.

Possible reasons for the failure are as follows:

- The original server is down.
- The original server is up but `bpcd` on that server does not respond. (For example, if the connection is refused or access is denied.)
- The original server is up and `bpcd` is fine, but `bptm` has problems. (For example, if `bptm` cannot find the required tape.)

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**Note:** The failover uses only the failover hosts that are listed in the NetBackup configuration. By default, the list is empty and NetBackup does not perform the automatic failover.

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## Failing over to an alternate server

Use the following procedure to enable automatic failover to an alternate server.

### To enable automatic failover to an alternate server

1 Modify the NetBackup configuration on the master server are as follows:

- By using the **NetBackup Administration Console**:

In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties**. Click on **Master Servers** to open the **Master Server Properties** dialog box. In the left pane, click on **Restore Failover** to open the **Restore Failover** host properties dialog box. In the **Restore Failover** host properties dialog box, click on the **Add** button to open the **Add Failover Servers** window. Add entries for the media server and the failover restore server(s) and click the **Add** button in the **Add Failover Servers** window. Click **OK**.

- By modifying the `bp.conf` file on a UNIX NetBackup server:

As root, add the following entry to the  
`/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf` file:

```
FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS =  
failed_host host1 host2 ... hostN
```

Where:

*failed\_host* is the server that is not operational.

*host1 ... hostN* are the servers that provide failover capabilities.

When automatic failover is necessary for a given server, NetBackup searches through the relevant `FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS` list. NetBackup looks from left to right for the first server that is eligible to perform the restore.

There can be multiple `FAILOVER_RESTORE_MEDIA_SERVERS` entries and each entry can have multiple servers. However, a NetBackup server can be a *failed\_host* in only one entry.

2 Stop and restart the NetBackup Request daemon on the master server.

## Expiring and importing media for alternate server restores

It may be necessary to expire media and then import it, even with the alternate server restore capabilities.

Regarding identifying media spanning groups, an alternate server restore operation can include media IDs that contain backup images that span media. It may be necessary to identify the media IDs that contain fragments of the spanned images. The group of related media is called a media spanning group.

To identify the media in a specific media spanning group, run the following command as root on the NetBackup master server:

```
cd /usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd  
bpimmedia -spangroups -U -mediaid media_id
```

To display all media in all spanning groups, omit `-mediaid media_id` from the command.



# Managing client restores

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About server-directed restores](#)
- [About client-redirected restores](#)
- [About restoring the files that have Access Control Lists \(ACLs\)](#)
- [About setting the original atime for files during restores](#)
- [About restoring the System State](#)

## About server-directed restores

By default, NetBackup clients are configured to allow NetBackup administrators on a master server to direct restores to any client.

To prevent server-directed restores, configure the client accordingly as follows:

- **Windows clients**  
In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, click **File > Backup, Archive, and Restore**.  
Select **File > NetBackup Client Properties > General**, then clear the **Allow server-directed restores** checkbox.
- **UNIX clients**  
Add `DISALLOW_SERVER_FILE_WRITES` to the following file on the client:

```
/usr/openv/netbackup/bp.conf
```

---

**Note:** On UNIX systems, the redirected restores can incorrectly set UIDs or GIDs that are too long. The UIDs and GIDs of files that are restored from one platform to another may be represented with more bits on the source system than on the destination system. If the UID or the GID name in question is not common to both systems, the original UID or GID may be invalid on the destination system. In this case, the UID or GID is replaced with the UID or GID of the user that performs the restore.

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No progress log is produced if the `bp.conf` file of the requesting server does not contain an entry for the server that performs the restore. (A progress log is an entry in the **Task Progress** tab of the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface.)

Without the entry in the `bp.conf` file (or the server list), the restoring server has no access to write the log files to the requesting server.

Consider the following solutions:

- To produce a progress log, add the requesting server to the server list.  
To do so, log into the requesting server. In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, expand **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers** > Double-click on the master server > **Servers**. Add the restoring server to the server list.
- Log on to the restoring server. Check the Activity Monitor to determine the success of the restore operation.

To restore a UNIX backup that contains soft and hard links, run the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface from a UNIX machine. Only the Java version of the client interface contains the **Rename hard links** and **Rename soft links** restore options. Windows users can install the Windows display console to access the Java version of the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** interface from a Windows computer.

## About client-redirected restores

The **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface contains options for allowing clients to restore the files that were backed up by other clients. The operation is called a redirected restore.



## About restore restrictions

By default, NetBackup permits only the client that backs up files to restore those files. NetBackup ensures that the client name of the requesting client matches the peer name that was used to connect to the NetBackup server.

Unless clients share an IP address, the peer name is equivalent to the client's host name. (Clients can share an IP address due to the use of a gateway and token ring combination, or multiple connections.) When a client connects through a gateway, the gateway can use its own peer name to make the connection.

The NetBackup client name is normally the client's short host name, such as `client1` rather than a longer form such as `client1.null.com`.

The client name is found in the following locations:

- Windows clients (including NetWare NonTarget):  
In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the toolbar, select **File > Backup, Archive, and Restore**. In the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** dialog box, in the toolbar, select **File > Specify NetBackup Machines and Policy Type**. The client name that is selected as **Source Client for Restores** is the source of the backups to be restored.
- On NetWare target clients:  
Specify the client name in the `bp.ini` file.
- UNIX clients:  
In the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** dialog box, select **File > Specify NetBackup Machines and Policy Type**. In the **Specify NetBackup Machines and Policy Type** dialog box, select the client name as the **Source client for restores**.

## About allowing all clients to perform redirected restores

The NetBackup administrator can allow clients to perform redirected restores. That is, allow all clients to restore the backups that belong to other clients. Place an empty `No.Restrictions` file on the NetBackup master server where the policy that backed up the other clients resides.

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**Note:** The information in this topic applies to restores made by using the command line, not the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface.

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Create an `altnames` directory in the following location, then place the empty file inside of the directory:

```
/usr/openv/netbackup/db/altnames/No.Restrictions
```

The NetBackup client name setting on the requesting client must match the name of the client for which the backup was created. The peer name of the requesting client does not need to match the NetBackup client name setting.

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**Note:** The `/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames` directory can present a potential breach of security. Users that are permitted to restore files from other clients may also have local permission to create the files that are found in the backup.

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## About allowing a single client to perform redirected restores

The NetBackup administrator can permit a single client to restore the backups that belong to other clients. Create a *peername* file on the NetBackup master server where the policy that backed up the other client(s) resides.

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**Note:** The information in this topic applies to restores made by using the command line, not the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface.

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Create an `altnames` directory in the following location, then place the empty file inside of the directory:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/peername
```

Where *peername* is the client to possess restore privileges.

In this case, the requesting client (*peername*) can access the files that are backed up by another client. The NetBackup client name setting on *peername* must match the name of the other client.

## About allowing redirected restores of a client's files

The NetBackup administrator can permit a single client to restore the backups that belong to another client. Create a *peername* file on the NetBackup master server of the requesting client as described here.

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**Note:** The information within this topic applies to restores made using the command line, not the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface.

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Create an `altnames` directory in the following location, then place the *peername* file inside of the directory:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/peername
```

Where *peername* is the client to possess restore privileges. Add to the *peername* file the names of the client(s) whose files the requesting client wants to restore.

The requesting client can restore the files that were backed up by another client if:

- The names of the other clients appear in the *peername* file, and
- The NetBackup client name of the requesting client is changed to match the name of the client whose files the requesting client wants to restore.

## Examples of redirected restores

This topic provides some example configurations that allow clients to restore the files that were backed up by other clients. These methods may be required when a client connects through a gateway or has multiple Ethernet connections.

In all cases, the requesting client must have access to an image database directory on the master server (`/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/images/client_name`). Or, the requesting client must be a member of an existing NetBackup policy.

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**Note:** Not all file system types on all machines support the same features. Problems can be encountered when a file is restored from one file system type to another. For example, the S51K file system on an SCO machine does not support symbolic links nor does it support names greater than 14 characters long. You may want to restore a file to a machine that doesn't support all the features of the machine from which the restore was performed. In this case, all files may not be recovered.

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In the following examples, assume the following conditions:

- *client1* is the client that requests the restore.
  - *client2* is the client that created the backups that the requesting client wants to restore.
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- **Note:** The information in this topic applies to restores made by using the command line, not the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface.
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**Note:** You must be a root user for any of the steps that must be performed on the NetBackup server. You may also need to be a root user to make the changes on the client.

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## Example of a redirected client restore

Assume you must restore files to *client1* that were backed up from *client2*. The *client1* and *client2* names are those specified by the NetBackup client name setting on the clients.

In the nominal case, do the following:

- Log on as root on the NetBackup server.  
Perform one of the following actions:
  - Edit `/usr/openv/netbackup/db/altnames/client1` so it includes the name of *client2*. Or,
  - Run the `touch` command on the following file:

```
/usr/openv/netbackup/db/altnames/No.Restrictions
```

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**Note:** The `No.Restrictions` file allows any client to restore files from *client2*.

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- Log on on *client1* and change the NetBackup client name to *client2*.
- Restore the file.
- Undo the changes that were made on the server and client.

## Example of a redirected client restore using the altnames file

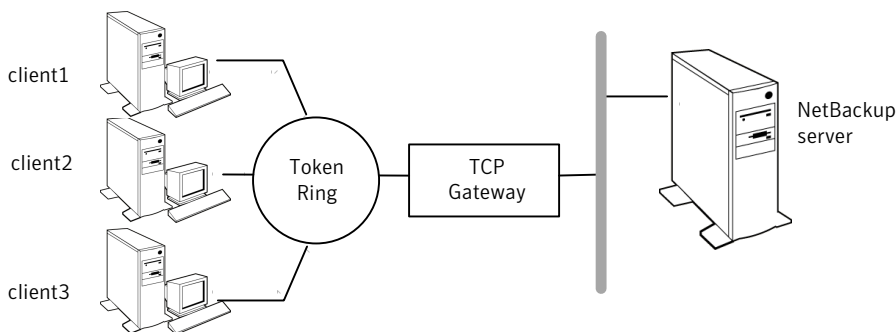
This example explains how `altnames` provides restore capabilities to clients that do not use their own host name when they connect to the NetBackup server.

By default, the NetBackup client name of the requesting client must match the peer name that is used in the connection to the NetBackup server. When the NetBackup client name is the host name for the client and matches the peer name (normal case), this requirement is met.

However, problems arise when clients connect to multiple ethernet or connect to the NetBackup server through a gateway.

Consider the configuration in [Figure 28-1](#).

**Figure 28-1** Example restore from token ring client



In this example, restore requests from *client1*, *client2*, and *client3* are routed through the TCP gateway. Because the gateway uses its own peer name rather than the client host names for connection to the NetBackup server, NetBackup refuses the requests. Clients cannot restore even their own files.

To correct the situation, do the following.

Determine the peer name of the gateway:

- Try a restore from the client in question. In this example, the request fails with an error message similar to the following:

```
client is not validated to use the server
```

- Examine the NetBackup problems report and identify the peer name that is used on the request. Entries in the report may be similar to the following:

```
01/29/11 08:25:03 bpserver - request from invalid
server or client client1.dvlp.null.com
```

In this example, the peer name is *client1.dvlp.null.com*.

Run the `touch` command on the following file:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/peername
```

```
Install_path\NetBackup\db\altnames\client1.dvlp.null.com
```

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/client1.dvlp.null.com
```

Edit the *peername* file so that it includes the client names.

For example, if you leave the file

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/client1.dvlp.null.com
```

empty, *client1*, *client2*, and *client3* can all access the backups that correspond to their NetBackup client name setting.

See [“About allowing a single client to perform redirected restores”](#) on page 1014.

If you add the names *client2* and *client3* to the file, you give these two clients access to NetBackup file restores, but exclude *client1*.

See [“About allowing redirected restores of a client’s files”](#) on page 1014.

Note that this example requires no changes on the clients.

Restore the files.

See [“About allowing redirected restores of a client’s files”](#) on page 1014.

See [“About allowing a single client to perform redirected restores”](#) on page 1014.

## Example of how to troubleshoot a redirected client restore using the altnames file

If you cannot restore files with a redirected client restore by using the `altnames` file, troubleshoot the situation, as follows:

- On the NetBackup master server, add the `VERBOSE` entry and a logging level to the `bp.conf` file. For example:

```
VERBOSE = 3
```

- Create the debug log directory for `bprd` by running:

```
mkdir /usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/bprd
```

- On the NetBackup server, stop the NetBackup Request Daemon, `bprd`, and restart it in verbose mode by running:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bprdreq -terminate
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bprd -verbose
```

Restart `bprd` to ensure that `bprd` logs information regarding client requests.

- On *client1*, try the file restore.
- On the NetBackup server, identify the peer name connection that *client1* used. Examine the failure as logged on the All Log Entries report or examine the `bard debug` log to identify the failing name combination.:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/bprd/log.date
```

- Take one of the following on the NetBackup server:

- Enter the following commands:

```
mkdir -p /usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames
touch
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/No.Restrictions
```

These commands allow any client access to *client2* backups by changing its NetBackup client name setting to specify the *client2*.

- Run the touch command on the following file:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/peername
```

The command allows *client1* access to any *client2* backups by changing its NetBackup client name setting to specify *client2*.

- Add *client2* to the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/peername` file.  
The addition to the *peername* file allows *client1* access to the backups that were created on *client2* only.

- On *client1*, change the NetBackup client name setting in the user interface to match what is specified on *client2*.

- Restore the files to *client1*.

- Do the following:

- Delete the `VERBOSE` entry from the `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bp.conf` file on the master server.

- Delete `/usr/opensv/netbackup/logs/bprd` and the contents.

- To return the configuration to what it was before the restore, do the following:

- Delete `/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/peer.or.hostname` (if it exists)

- Delete `/usr/opensv/netbackup/db/altnames/No.Restrictions` (if it exists)

- On *client1*, restore the NetBackup client name setting to its original value.

## About restoring the files that have Access Control Lists (ACLs)

An Access Control List (ACL) is a table that conveys the access rights users need to a file or directory. Each file or directory can have a security attribute that extends or restricts users' access.

By default, the NetBackup-modified GNU `tar` (`/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/tar`) restores ACLs along with file and directory data.

However, in some situations the ACLs cannot be restored to the file data, as follows:

- Where the restore is cross-platform. (Examples: An AIX ACL restored to a Solaris client or a Windows ACL restored to an HP client.)
- When a `tar` other than the NetBackup modified `tar` is used to restore files.

In these instances, NetBackup stores the ACL information in a series of generated files in the `root` directory using the following naming form:

`.SeCuRiT.y.nnnn`

These files can be deleted or can be read and the ACLs regenerated by hand.

More information is available in the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume II*.

## Restoring files without restoring ACLs

The NetBackup client interface on Windows is available to administrators to restore data without restoring the ACLs. Both the destination client and the source of the backup must be Windows systems.

To restore files without restoring ACLs, the following conditions must be met:

- The policy that backed up the client is of policy type MS-Windows.
- An administrator performs the restore and is logged into a NetBackup server (Windows or UNIX). The option is set at the server by using the client interface. The option is unavailable on stand-alone clients (clients that do not contain the NetBackup server software).
- The destination client and the source of the backup must both be systems running supported Windows OS levels. The option is disabled on UNIX clients.

Use the following procedure to restore files without restoring ACLs.

### To restore files without restoring ACLs

- 1 Log on to the NetBackup server as administrator.
- 2 Open the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface.
- 3 From the client interface, initiate a restore.
- 4 Select the files to be restored, then select **Actions > Start Restore of Marked Files**.
- 5 In the **Restore Marked Files** dialog box, place a check in the **Restore without access-control attributes** check box.



- 6 Make any other selections for the restore job.
- 7 Click **Start Restore**.

## About setting the original atime for files during restores

During a restore, NetBackup sets the `atime` for each file to the current time by default. You can elect to have NetBackup set the `atime` for each restored file to the value the file had when it was backed up. To do so, create the following file on the client:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/RESTORE_ORIGINAL_ETIME
```

## About restoring the System State

The System State includes the registry, the COM+ Class Registration database, and boot and system files. If the server is a domain controller, the data also includes the Active Directory services database and the SYSVOL directory.

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**Note:** The best recovery procedure depends on many hardware and software variables that pertain to the server and its environment. For a complete Windows recovery procedure, refer to the Microsoft documentation.

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Read the following notes carefully before you restore the System State:

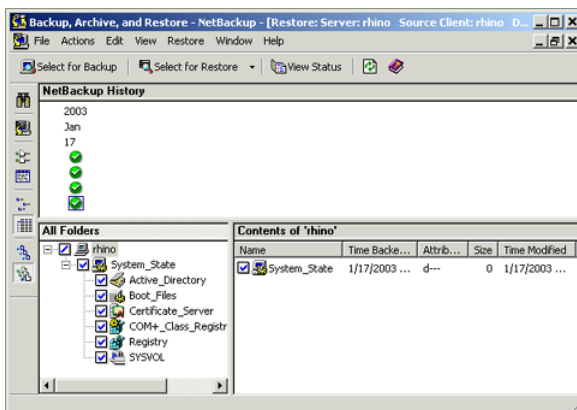
- The System State should be restored in its entirety. Do not restore selected files.
- Although incremental backups of the System State can be configured, NetBackup always performs a full backup. Therefore, only the most recent backup of the System State must be restored.
- Do not redirect a System State restore. System State is computer-specific and to restore it to an alternate computer can result in an unusable system.
- Do not cancel a System State restore operation. To cancel the operation may leave the system unusable.
- To restore the System State to a domain controller, the Active Directory must not be running.

## Restoring the System State

Use the following procedure to restore the System State.

### To restore the System State

- 1 To restore the Active Directory, restart the system, and press F8 during the boot process. F8 brings up a startup options menu. Press F8 upon restart if the system to which you are to restore is a Windows domain controller. Otherwise, begin with step 4.
- 2 From the startup options, select **Directory Services Restore Mode** and continue the boot process.
- 3 Ensure that the **NetBackup Client Service**, `inetd`, has started. Use the **Activity Monitor** or the Services application in the Windows Control Panel.
- 4 Start the **Backup, Archive, and Restore** client interface. Click **Select for Restore**, and place a checkmark next to **System State**.



- 5 From the **Actions** menu, select **Start Restore of Marked Files**.
- 6 From the **Restore Marked Files** dialog box, select **Restore everything to its original location** and **Overwrite the existing file**.

Do not redirect the System State restore to a different host. System State is computer-specific. To restore it to a different computer can result in an unusable system.

- 7 Click **Start Restore**.

- 8 The network may contain more than one domain controller. To replicate Active Directory to other domain controllers, perform an authoritative restore of the Active Directory after the NetBackup restore job completes.

To perform an authoritative restore of the Active Directory, run the Microsoft `ntdsutil` utility after you restored the System State data but before the server is restarted. An authoritative restore ensures that the data is replicated to all of the servers.

Additional information about an authoritative restore and the `ntdsutil` utility is available.

See the Microsoft documentation.

- 9 Reboot the system before performing subsequent restore operations.

If you booted into **Directory Services Restore Mode** on a domain controller, reboot into normal mode when the restore is complete.



# Powering down and rebooting NetBackup servers

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Powering down and rebooting NetBackup servers](#)
- [Shutting down and starting up all NetBackup daemons on UNIX/Linux](#)
- [Rebooting a NetBackup server](#)
- [Rebooting a NetBackup media server](#)
- [About displaying active processes with `bps`](#)
- [About displaying robotic processes with `vmpr`](#)

## Powering down and rebooting NetBackup servers

To close and restart NetBackup servers, use the following recommended procedure.

**To power down a server**

- 1 In the **NetBackup Administration Console**, in the left pane, click **Activity Monitor**. Click the **Jobs** tab and make sure that no jobs are running.
- 2 Click the **Daemon** tab and right-click the NetBackup Request daemon, `bprd`. Select **Stop daemon** to stop additional job activity and to let current activity end.
- 3 Right-click any daemons that are still running and select **Stop daemon**.

- 4 From the command line, run:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/admincmd/bprdreq -terminate
```

`bprdreq` does not run on a media server.

- 5 Run the system shutdown command.

The installation process copies the appropriate startup and shutdown script from `/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/goodies` to `/init.d` and creates links to it from the appropriate `/rc` directory.

Use system startup scripts to begin the Media Manager and NetBackup daemons when the system boots up. Use shutdown scripts to terminate the daemons at system shutdown.

Instructions on how to edit the script are available.

See the *NetBackup Installation Guide*.

- 6 Power down the server.

## Shutting down and starting up all NetBackup daemons on UNIX/Linux

From a command line, enter the following commands:

- To shut down all NetBackup daemons:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.kill_all
```

- To start up all NetBackup daemons:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.start_all
```

## Rebooting a NetBackup server

Use the following procedure to reboot a NetBackup server.

### To reboot a NetBackup master server

- 1 Restart the system.
- 2 Ensure that `bprd`, `bpdbm`, and `vmd` are up by running the following script:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bpps -a
```

- 3 Start all NetBackup daemons:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.start_all
```

## Rebooting a NetBackup media server

Use the following procedure to reboot a NetBackup media server.

### To reboot a NetBackup media server

- 1 Restart the system.
- 2 Start `ltid` if it is not already running:  
From the **NetBackup Administration Console**, do the following:
  - Click **Activity Monitor**, then select the **Processes** tab.
  - Right-click `ltid` and select **Start Daemon**.
- 3 From the command line, run:

```
/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/ltid
```

## About displaying active processes with `bpps`

NetBackup provides the `bpps` script to determine which NetBackup processes are active on a UNIX system.

`bpps` is located in the following directory:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bpps
```

The following is example output:

```
root    310 0.0  0.0  176  0 ?   IW Oct 19  15:04 /usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bpdbm
root    306 0.0  0.0  276  0 ?   IW Oct 19  2:37 /usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bprd
```

To prevent `bpps` from displaying processes you do not want to check, add the processes to an exclude list. See the comments within the script for more information.

To display both NetBackup and Media Manager options, run:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bpps -a
```

## About displaying robotic processes with vmps

The `vmps` script shows the Media Manager daemons and robotic processes that are active on a UNIX system.

To run this script, use the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/vmps
```

In the following sample, the second column contains the process IDs for the processes.

```
root      303  0.0  0.2  136  264 ?  S   Feb 11   4:32 ltid -v
root      305  0.0  0.0  156    0 ?  IW  Feb 11   0:54 vmd -v
root      306  0.0  0.0  104    0 ?  IW  Feb 11   0:15 tl8d -v
root      307  0.0  0.0   68   56 ?  S   Feb 11  12:16 avrd
root      310  0.0  0.0  116    0 ?  IW  Feb 11   0:07 tl8cd -v
```

The status for the `nbemm` command is not shown in the output of `vmps`. The `nbemm` status is shown in the output of the `bpps` script.



# About Granular Recovery Technology

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About installing and configuring Network File System \(NFS\) for Active Directory Granular Recovery](#)
- [About configuring Services for Network File System \(NFS\) on the Windows 2008 and Windows 2008 R2 NetBackup media server and NetBackup clients](#)
- [About configuring Services for Network File System \(NFS\) on the Windows 2003 R2 SP2 NetBackup media server and NetBackup clients](#)
- [Configuring a UNIX or Linux media server and Windows clients for backups and restores that use Granular Recovery Technology](#)
- [Configuring a different network port for NBFSD](#)

## About installing and configuring Network File System (NFS) for Active Directory Granular Recovery

NetBackup Granular Recovery leverages Network File System, or NFS, to read individual objects from a database backup image. Specifically, the NetBackup client uses NFS to extract data from the backup image on the NetBackup media server. The NetBackup client uses “Client for NFS” to mount and access a mapped drive that is connected to the NetBackup media server. The NetBackup media server handles the I/O requests from the client through NBFSD.

NBFSD is the NetBackup File System (NBFS) service that runs on the media server. NBFSD makes a NetBackup backup image appear as a file system folder to the NetBackup client over a secure connection.

Network File System, or NFS, is a widely recognized, open standard for client and server file access over a network. It allows clients to access files on dissimilar servers through a shared TCP/IP network. NFS is typically bundled with the host operating system. NetBackup uses Granular Recovery Technology (GRT) and NFS to recover the individual objects that reside within a database backup image, such as:

- A user account from an Active Directory database backup
- Email messages or folders from an Exchange database backup
- A document from a SharePoint database backup

Multiple NetBackup agents that support GRT (for example, Exchange, SharePoint, and Active Directory) can use the same media server.

# About configuring Services for Network File System (NFS) on the Windows 2008 and Windows 2008 R2 NetBackup media server and NetBackup clients

Table 30-1

Configuring NFS in a Windows 2008 or Windows 2008 R2 environment

Step	Action	Description
Step 1	Stop and disable the Portmapper service.	Before you configure NFS on the media server or client(s), look for the ONC Portmapper service. If it exists, stop it and disable it. Otherwise, the configuration of NFS Services for Windows fails.
Step 2	Enable NFS.	Enable NFS on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The NetBackup media server</li><li>■ All Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts.</li></ul> See <a href="#">“Enabling Services for Network File System (NFS) on Windows 2008 or Windows 2008 R2”</a> on page 1031.
Step 3	Disable Server for NFS.	You can disable the Server for NFS on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The NetBackup media server</li><li>■ All Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts.</li></ul> See <a href="#">“Disabling the Server for NFS”</a> on page 1036.

**Table 30-1**      Configuring NFS in a Windows 2008 or Windows 2008 R2 environment *(continued)*

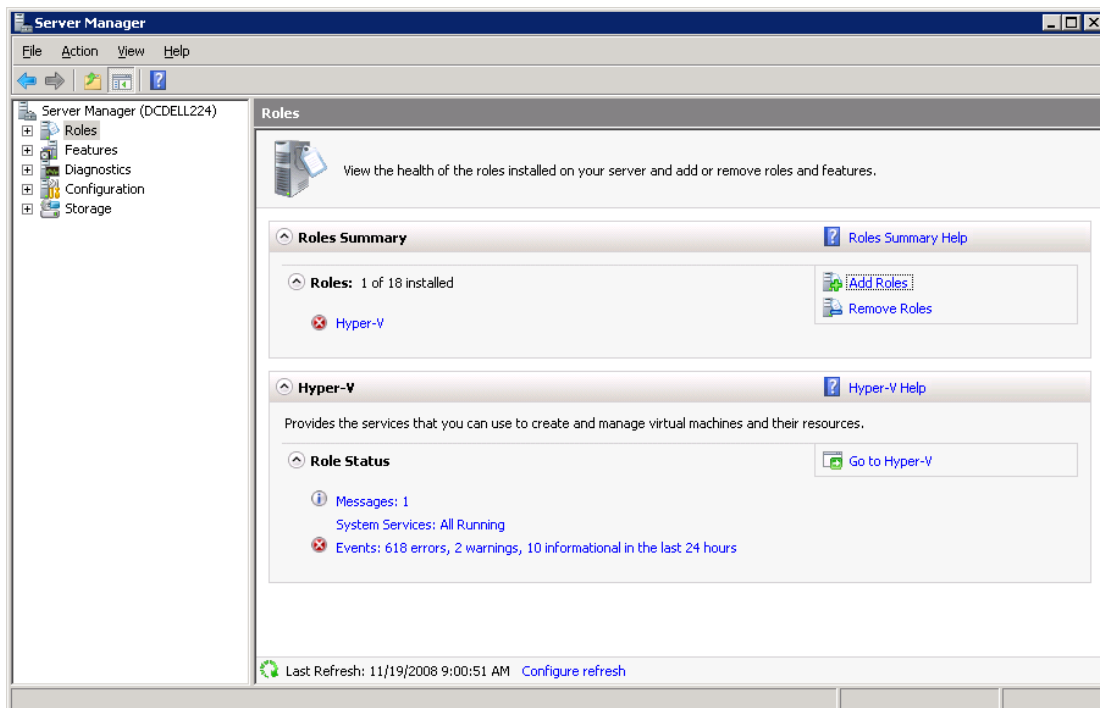
Step	Action	Description
Step 4	Disable Client for NFS.	<p>You can disable the Client for NFS on the NetBackup media server.</p> <p>See <a href="#">“Disabling the Client for NFS on the media server”</a> on page 1035.</p> <p>If the Active Directory domain controller or ADAM/LDS host resides on the media server, do not disable the Client for NFS.</p>

## Enabling Services for Network File System (NFS) on Windows 2008 or Windows 2008 R2

To restore individual items from a backup that uses Granular Recovery Technology (GRT), you must enable Services for Network File System. When this configuration is completed on the media server and all Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts, you can disable any unnecessary NFS services.

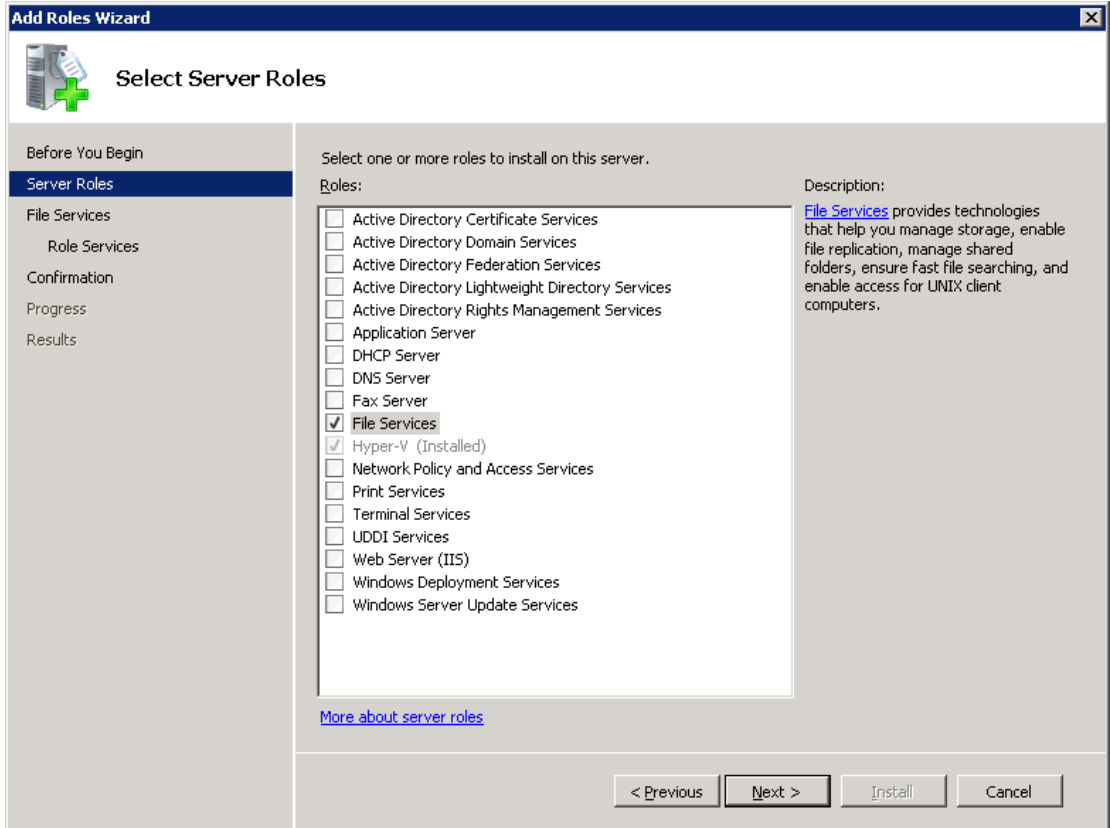
## To enable Services for Network File System (NFS) on Windows 2008 or Windows 2008 R2

- 1 Open the Server Manager.
- 2 In the left pane, click **Roles** and, in the right pane, click **Add Roles**.



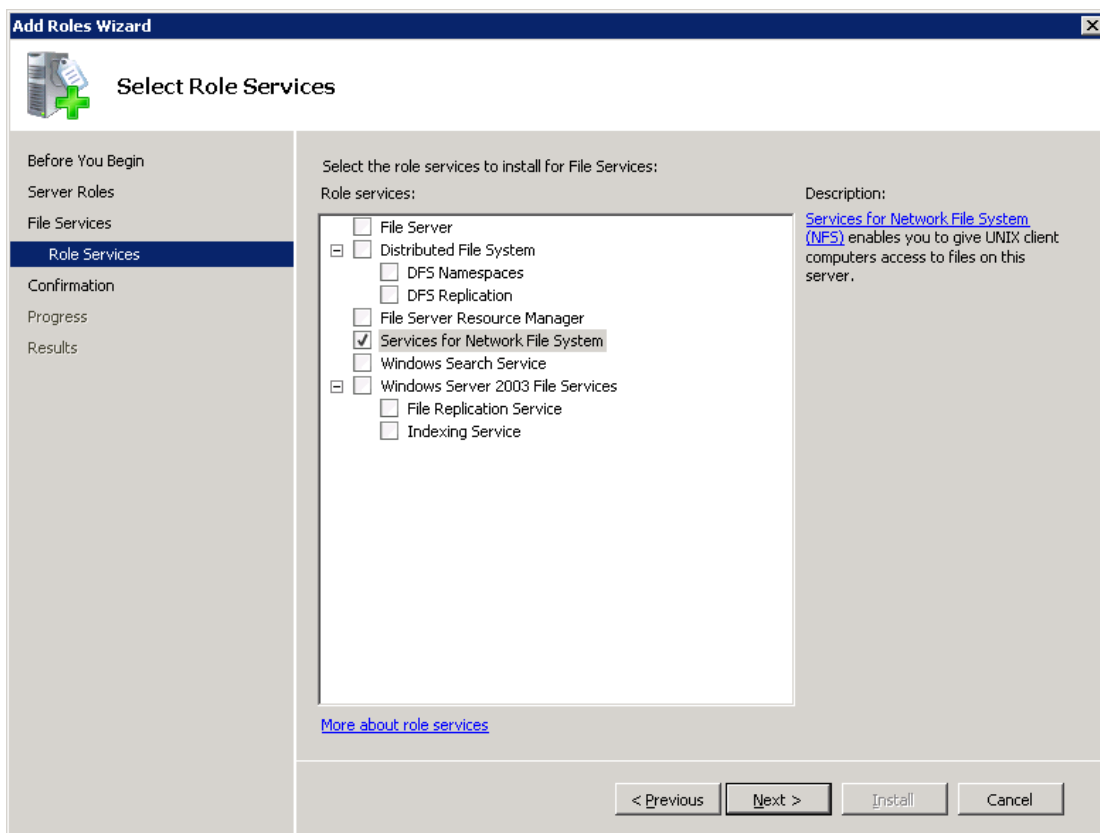
- 3 In the Add Roles Wizard, on the **Before You Begin** page, click **Next**.

- 4 On the **Select Server Roles** page, under **Roles**, check the **File Services** check box.



- 5 Click **Next**.
- 6 On the **Files Services** page, click **Next**.
- 7 On the **Select Role Services** page, uncheck **File Server**.

## 8 Check Services for Network File System.



9 Click **Next** and complete the wizard.

10 On the media server, configure the portmap service to start automatically at server restart.

Issue the following from the command prompt:

```
sc config portmap start= auto
```

This command should return the status [SC] ChangeServiceConfig SUCCESS.

11 For each host in your configuration, choose from one of the following:

- If you have a single host that functions as both the media server and the Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS host, you can disable the Server for NFS.

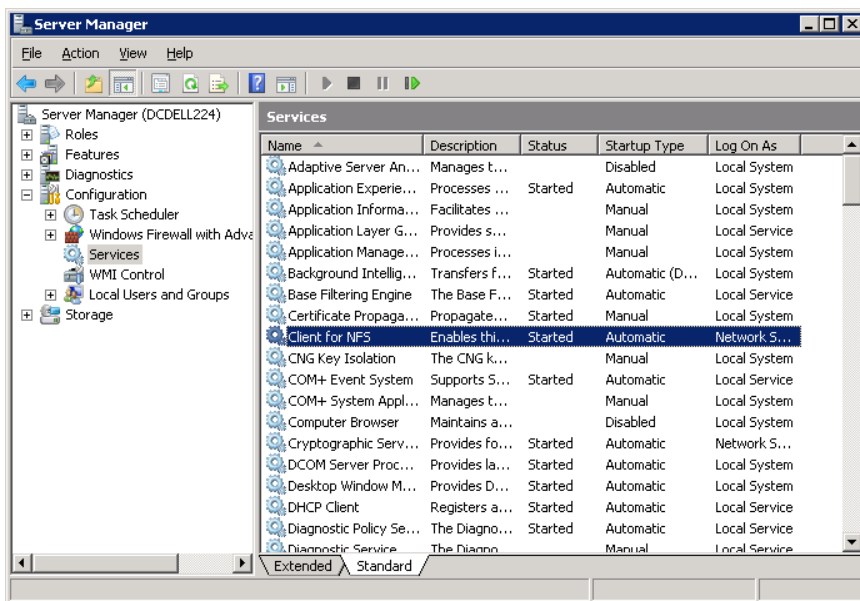
- For a host that is only the NetBackup media server, you can disable the Server for NFS and the Client for NFS.
- For a host that is only an Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS host, you can disable the Server for NFS.

## Disabling the Client for NFS on the media server

After you enable Services for Network File System (NFS) on a host that is only a NetBackup media server, you can disable the Client for NFS.

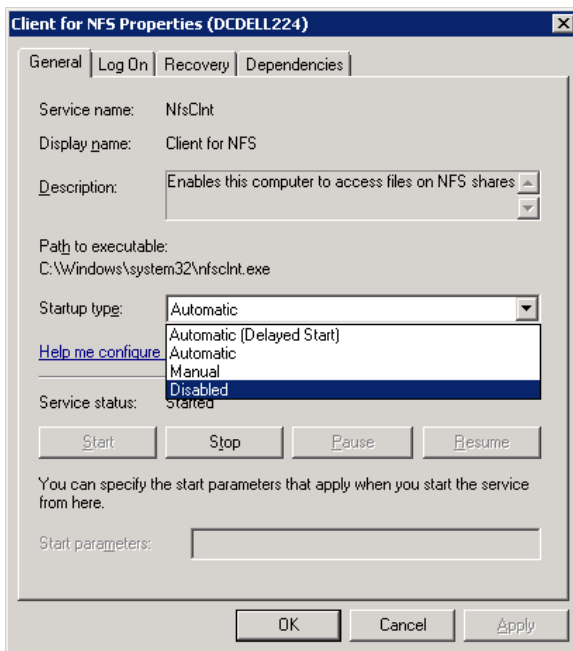
To disable the Client for NFS on the NetBackup media server

- 1 Open the Server Manager.
- 2 In the left pane, expand **Configuration**.
- 3 Click **Services**.



- 4 In the right pane, right-click on **Client for NFS** and click **Stop**.
- 5 In the right pane, right-click on **Client for NFS** and click **Properties**.

- 6 In the **Client for NFS Properties** dialog box, from the **Startup type** list, click **Disabled**.



- 7 Click **OK**.

## Disabling the Server for NFS

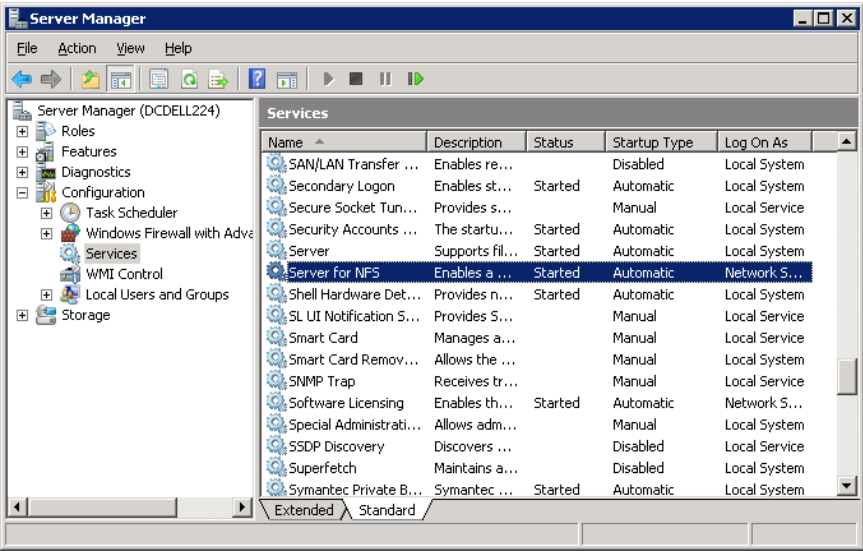
After you enable Services for Network File System (NFS) on the media server and on the Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts, you can disable Server for NFS.

### To disable the Server for NFS

- 1 Open the Server Manager.
- 2 In the left pane, expand **Configuration**.

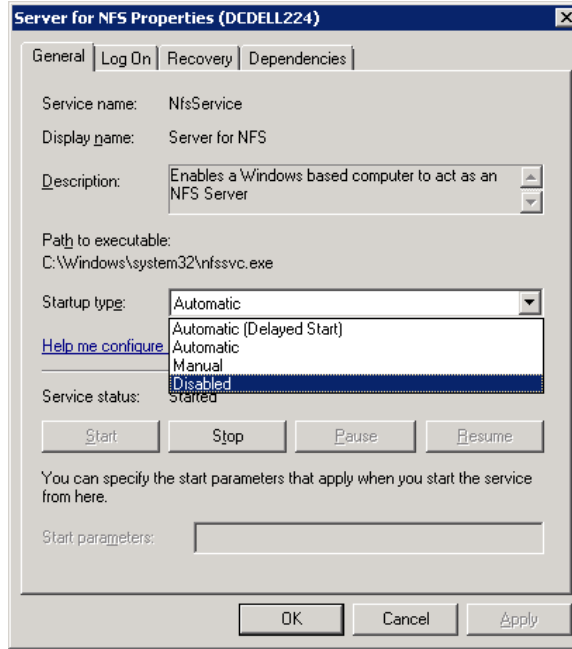


3 Click **Services**.



- 4 In the right pane, right-click on **Server for NFS** and click **Stop**.
- 5 In the right pane, right-click on **Server for NFS** and click **Properties**.

- 6 In the **Server for NFS Properties** dialog box, from the **Startup type** list, click **Disabled**.



- 7 Click **OK**.
- 8 Repeat this procedure for the media server and for all Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts.

## About configuring Services for Network File System (NFS) on the Windows 2003 R2 SP2 NetBackup media server and NetBackup clients

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**Note:** NetBackup does not support Granular Recovery Technology (GRT) with Windows Server 2003 R1 or earlier versions.

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Table 30-2

Step	Action	Description
Step 1	Install the necessary NFS components on the NetBackup media server.	See Table 30-3 on page 1039. See “Installing Services for NFS on the Windows 2003 R2 SP2 media server” on page 1039.
Step 2	Install the necessary NFS components on all Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts.	See Table 30-3 on page 1039. See “Installing Services for NFS on Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts with Windows 2003 R2 SP2” on page 1042. <b>Note:</b> If the Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS host resides on the media server, install all the components on the media server.
Step 3	On all Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts, install the hotfix for Client for NFS.	The hotfix is available at the following location: <a href="http://support.microsoft.com/kb/947186">http://support.microsoft.com/kb/947186</a>

Table 30-3 NFS components required for Windows 2003 R2 SP2

NFS component	NetBackup client	NetBackup media server
Client for NFS	X	
Microsoft Services for NFS Administration	X	
RPC External Data Representation	X	X
RPC Port Mapper		X

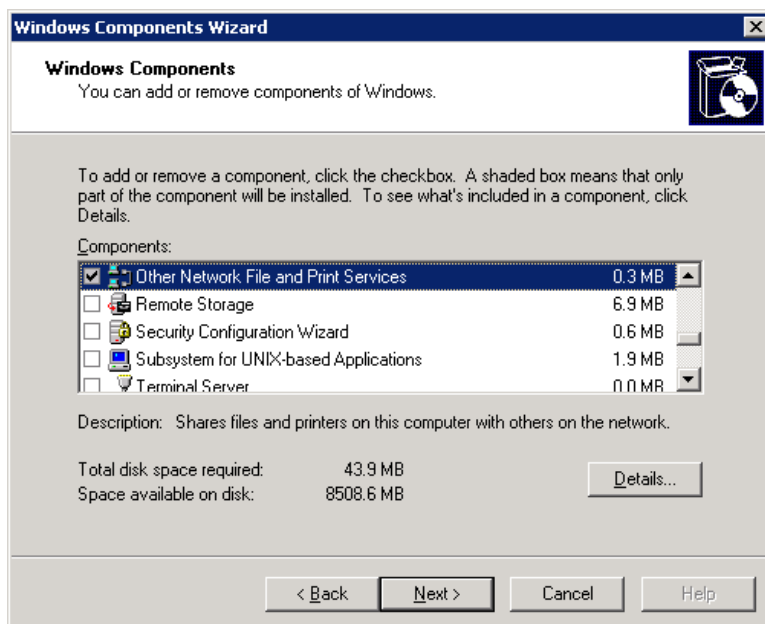
## Installing Services for NFS on the Windows 2003 R2 SP2 media server

This topic describes how to install Services for NFS on a Windows 2003 R2 SP2 media server.

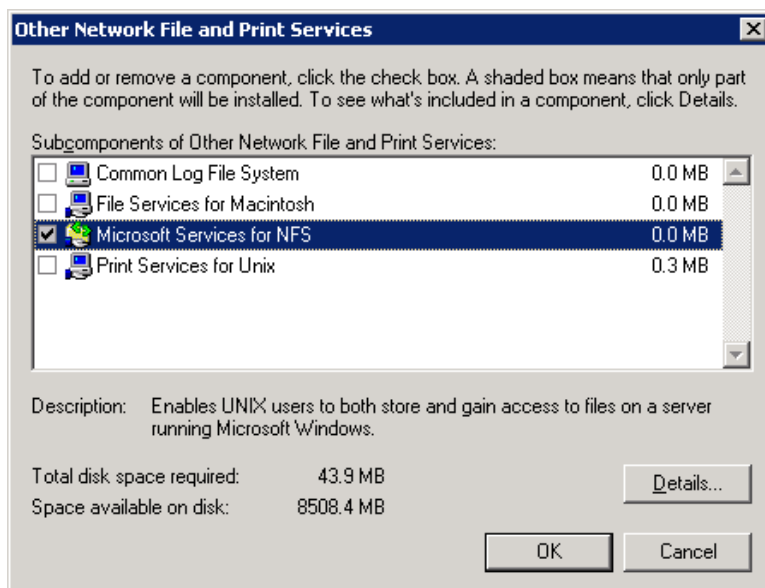
**To install Services for NFS on the Windows 2003 R2 SP2 media server**

- 1 Click **Start > Control Panel > Add or Remove Programs**.
- 2 Click **Add/Remove Windows Components**.

### 3 Check **Other Network File and Print Services** and click **Details**.

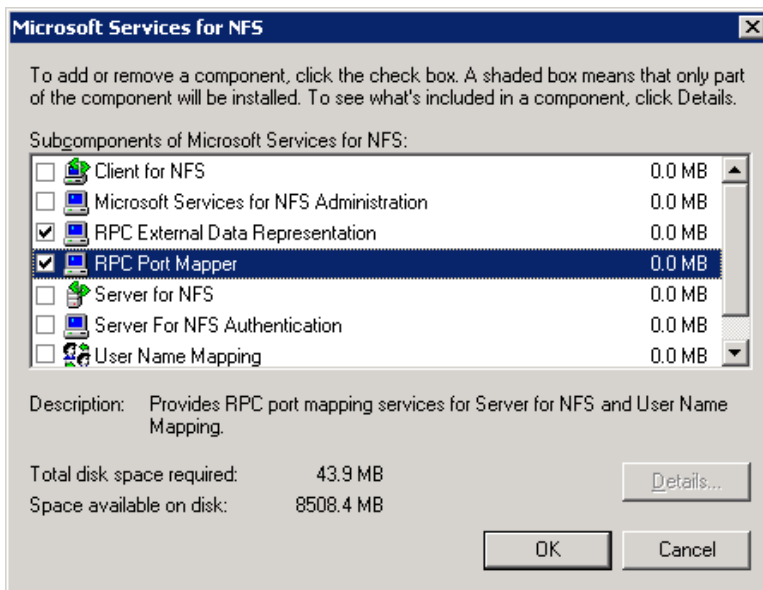


### 4 Check **Microsoft Service for NFS** and click **Details**.



- 5 Install the components that apply to your configuration.
  - If the host is only a NetBackup media server, check the following components:
    - RPC External Data Representation
    - RPC Port Mapper
  - If you have a single host that functions as both the media server and the Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS host, check the following components:
    - Client for NFS
    - Microsoft Services for NFS Administration
    - RPC External Data Representation
    - RPC Port Mapper

Media server  
and client ———  
Media  
server only



- 6 Click **OK**.
- 7 Click **OK**.
- 8 Click **Next** and complete the Windows Components Wizard.
- 9 After the installation is complete, open Services in the Control Panel.

**10** Depending on configuration of the host, verify that Client for NFS is running or is stopped and disabled:

- For a single host that has both the media server and the Active Directory domain controller or ADAM/LDS, ensure Client for NFS is running.
- For a host that is only a NetBackup media server, Client for NFS can be stopped and disabled.

**11** Configure the portmap service to start automatically at server restart.

Issue the following from the command prompt:

```
sc config portmap start= auto
```

This command should return the status [SC] ChangeServiceConfig SUCCESS.

## Installing Services for NFS on Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts with Windows 2003 R2 SP2

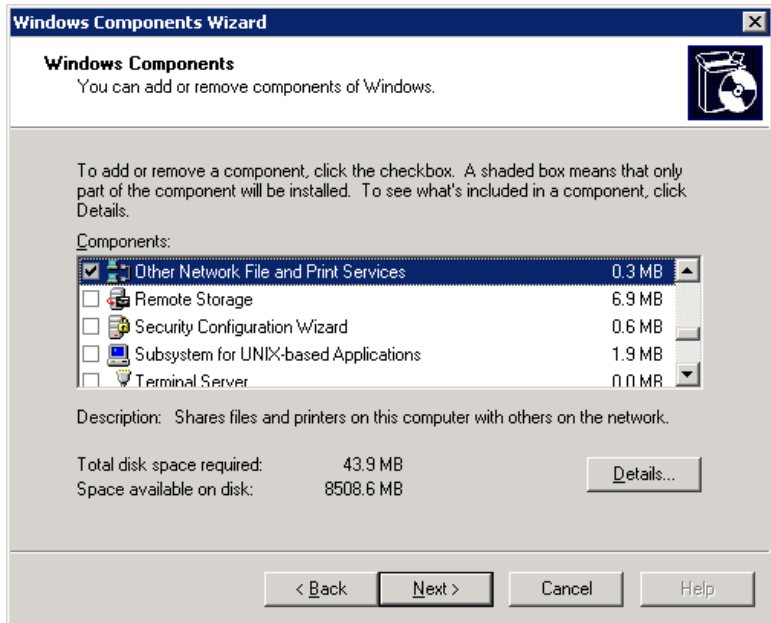
This topic describes how to install NFS on the NetBackup clients with Windows 2003 R2 SP2. Only the clients that are Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts require NFS. If an Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS host is also a media server, you must follow a different procedure.

See [“Installing Services for NFS on the Windows 2003 R2 SP2 media server”](#) on page 1039.

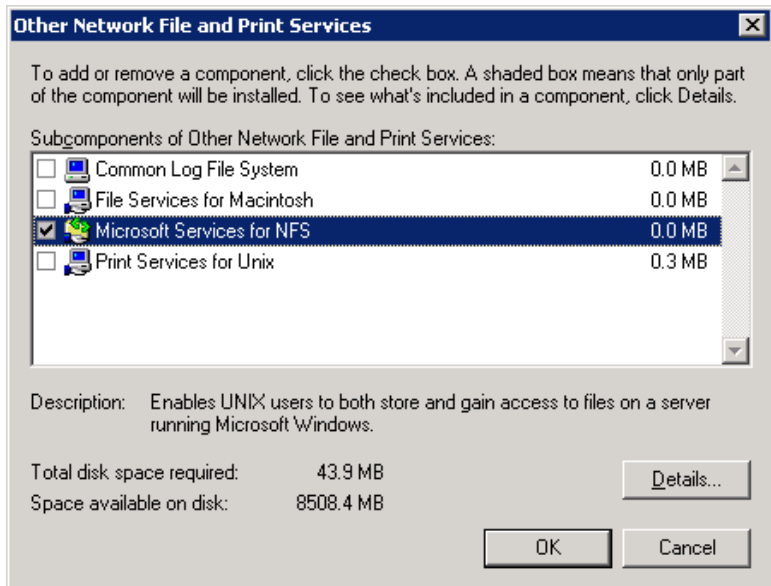
**To install Services for NFS on the NetBackup clients with Windows 2003 R2 SP2**

- 1** Click **Start > Control Panel > Add or Remove Programs**.
- 2** Click **Add/Remove Windows Components**.

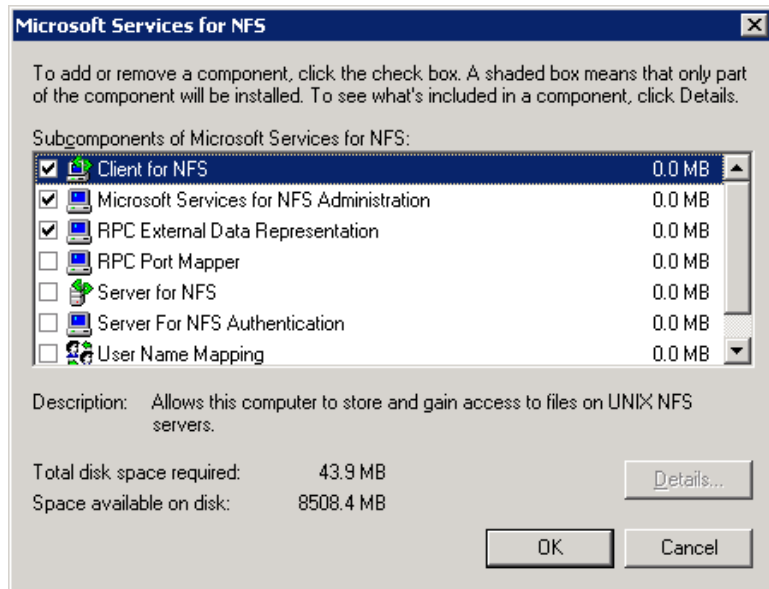
3 Check **Other Network File and Print Services** and click **Details**.



4 Check **Microsoft Service for NFS** and click **Details**.



- 5 Check the following components:
  - Client for NFS
  - Microsoft Services for NFS Administration
  - RPC External Data Representation



- 6 Click **OK**.
- 7 Click **OK**.
- 8 Click **Next** and complete the Windows Components Wizard.
- 9 After the installation is complete, open Services in the Control Panel.
- 10 Ensure the following that the Client for NFS service is running.
- 11 Repeat this procedure for all Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts.



# Configuring a UNIX or Linux media server and Windows clients for backups and restores that use Granular Recovery Technology

To perform backups and restores that use Granular Recovery Technology, perform the following configuration if you use a UNIX or Linux media server and Windows clients:

- Confirm that your media server is installed on a platform that supports granular recovery.  
See the *NetBackup X Operating System* compatibility list.
- No other configuration is required for the UNIX or Linux media server.
- Enable or install NFS on all Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts.  
See [“Enabling Services for Network File System \(NFS\) on Windows 2008 or Windows 2008 R2”](#) on page 1031.  
See [“Installing Services for NFS on Active Directory domain controllers or ADAM/LDS hosts with Windows 2003 R2 SP2”](#) on page 1042.
- You can configure a different network port for NBFSD.  
See [“Configuring a different network port for NBFSD”](#) on page 1045.

## Configuring a different network port for NBFSD

NBFSD runs on port 7394. If another service uses the standard NBFSD port in your organization, you can configure the service on another port. The following procedures describe how to configure a NetBackup server to use a network port other than the default.

### To configure a different network port for NBFSD (Windows server)

- 1 Log on as administrator on the computer where NetBackup server is installed.
- 2 Open Regedit.
- 3 Open the following key.:

HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\VERITAS\NetBackup\CurrentVersion\Config

- 4 Create a new DWORD value named **FSE\_PORT**.
- 5 Right-click on the new value and click **Modify**.

- 6 In the **Value data** box, provide a port number between 1 and 65535.
- 7 Click **OK**.

**To configure a different network port for NBFSD (UNIX or Linux server)**

- 1 Log on as root on the computer where NetBackup server is installed.
- 2 Open the `bp.conf` file.
- 3 Add the following entry, where `XXXX` is an integer and is a port number between 1 and 65535.

`FSE_PORT = XXXX`

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