

# Merge Replication using ip address to distributor/publisher

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I have developed a windows vb.net application which reside on users laptop and uses data from local msde database. From time to time the users can connect to a main sql server via VPN and do a merge replication with subscribtion invoked from their windows application. Problem is that the main server can only be connected using an ip address. Can ip address be used in windows vb.net program as PublisherServer instance instead of the servername.

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