

Re: Full Backup and restore

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Whoa, wait. Daniel, did you just say that they should restore the content database and then attach the new config database to the content database? ;)~ I think maybe you would install sharepoint, which would create a new config database, then restore the content databases and attach new web applications to them.

But, in addition to backing up the content databases in SQL, and backing up the sharepoint specific files on the sharepoint server, I would also use sharepoint's own backup capabilities.

Artificer, since you are using MOSS 2007, you can use its inbuilt Backup and Restore capabilities to first create a full backup of the farm. Then you can do differential backups after than. (you can also backup just certain web applications and their content databases if you'd like)

Then when you rebuild the server, you can restore all of the web applications and their content databases of the farm.

But, I would also keep the backups of the other separate components; the backups of the databases in SQL, and backup of the sharepoint files, and even the configuration files in IIS as well.

Daniel is right about backing up all the bits. It never hurts, and it's best to not keep all of your eggs in one basket. That way if your sharepoint backups get lost, you can still at least restore the contents of your content databases with the SQL backups.

-callahan

"Daniel Bugday" <itkonsult@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Hi,
yes this is possible!

First of all you need a backup of the data from SQL server (the ContentDB).

Then you need a backup of all SharePoint files on the Web-Front End Server

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in your case this is the same machine.

-This files are located under c:\program files\common files\microsoft shared\web server extensions\12

You also need all customizes files located under the IIS site path usually located under c:\inetpub (check the path in IIS manager)

You also need the dll's in the GAC.

If SharePoint craches then you need to install SharePoint, restore the ContentDB, configure the new configDB to attach the restored ContentDB.

Install all customizations (The best thing here would be if you had a Solution Package for all the customized files).

Hope this helps!

/Daniel Bugday

"Artificer" <eliezerfigueroa@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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I installed a SharePoint Portal Server 2007 following the procedure for a sever farm. But I did install all the components including the database server on the same computer.

After some daily use I have some sites, documents and appearance customization running on it.
Now I want to know how to make a "real" full backup. I mean I want to be able if something goes wrong to make a fresh installation of SharePoint and restore all those sites, documents and appearance customization on top of it. Is that possible?

What will be the considerations I should have? Like having the new computer named in the same way or something like that.