

Re: SourceSafe question

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On Sun, 8 Aug 2004 07:30:26 -0500, "Ralph"
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> "Atreju" <someone@who.hates.junkmail> wrote in message
> news:4obbh05d2i1qcc20asirgp1to2culvr566@4ax.com...
>> I know in a company I used to work for, the head developer had me
>> install VSS Server and he connected to it to develop.
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>> As I understand it you can have it keep every single change of your
>> code in history so you can always fall back on older code.
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>> My question: Does the local-install of Source Safe do this as well?
>> All I could tell from a local install is that it controls access to
>> code, so it is "checked in" and out to avoid simultaneous modification
>> and saving of code. But does it have the capability to keep all the
>> code's history, or is this something only available in VSS server?
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> To amplify on Michael's comments.
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> There is little practical difference between a Local VSS database and a
> Server VSS database, beyond the Server version's ability to manage
> concurrency and multiple users. In fact you can even 'share' your local
> database with someone else across the net. (Though, not advised for heavy
> use.)
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> So you are going to be the administrator? A couple pieces of advice.
> 1) Backup the server database often. Do a complete backup. Do not use or
> depend on any 'incremental' backups the net administrators are using.

Every single byte of my data is backed up regularly on a nightly backup to DDS. I have a 2-week cycle so at any time I have 2 weeks old backup. In addition I have dual-drives for every data volume.

Thanks!

>2) *Setup a regular analyze and clean routine.*

>3) *Go online and make sure you have the latest 'n greatest Analyze, utilities, and SP.*

><http://msdn.microsoft.com/ssafe/default.asp>.

>4) *Never panic. Even when a VSS database becomes corrupted – it is usually*

>*not as screwed up as you might believe on first look. <g>*

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>*hth*

>*-ralph*

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