

## Re: Experiences using SBS2003 as web server??

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Ok Not knowing exactly what you are doing I'm taking a shot in the dark let me see if this sounds good.

Run Smoothwall Firewall. (Free at [www.smoothwall.org](http://www.smoothwall.org))  
Put Three Network Cards in it.

Open DMZ to your Webserver (Red Hat)  
Use that to connect internally to your SQL server. (Then you'd be on the 100MB/sec Side of your network.)  
Open an Port to From Webserver IP to SQL IP.  
Keep everything else behind the firewall.  
Then you have control of your webserver and fast throughput to your SQL server.  
The SBS will be behind the firewall not exposed and the SQL server will be safe..

You could also run Two Firewalls if you are really worried about security.  
One before the Webserver.. Then the Redhat Server then an Internal firewall then you net.

Does that make sense?  
Russ

"Ken Doerbecker" <[kdoerbecker@psipc.com](mailto:kdoerbecker@psipc.com)> wrote in message  
news:ijc3501tedgmrvtivm5cugvrdqm0mqr5c5@4ax.com...

> *Russ,*  
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> *I've considered doing that, running the bulk of the site on an ISPs*  
> *Apache server and using PHP scripts to send data to my internal SQL*  
> *server. Aside from security, that addresses some bandwidth and*  
> *reliability issues I'm also concerned with.*  
>  
> *But, wouldn't I still have to open my internal sbs server up to the*  
> *Internet? Is my exposure really any less in that environment. I'm not*  
> *even sure that can be done, are you?*  
>  
> *Ken*

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> *On Thu, 11 Mar 2004 22:32:33 -0800, "Russ"*  
> *<russ@nospamrussellgrover.com> wrote:*  
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> *>If it was me?*  
> *>I'd load Red Hat Linux on another Server (Just for a Website.)*  
> *>Put it in a DMZ and put stuff there that it won't matter if a hacker got*  
> *it*  
> *>it.*  
> >  
> *>But then again, that's just me ;)*  
> >  
> *>Russ*  
> >  
> *>"Ken Doerbecker" <kdoerbecker@psipc.com> wrote in message*  
> *>news:hud250tbcj8co76qmp8hst3iti446mjjrt@4ax.com...*  
> *>> Anyone have any advice to give me.*  
> >>  
> *>> I'm planning on using my SBS2003 server to host some web pages with*  
> *>> public access to them. I have differences of opinion from the MS folks*  
> *>> as to wether or not that is a good idea. I know it is capable of doing*  
> *>> it, question is – is it a good idea (administration, security, attack*  
> *>> wise, etc.)*  
> >>  
> *>> Reason for doing so is that there will be data collected into an SQL*  
> *>> database that I want to keep on my local server and use with other*  
> *>> internal applications.*  
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> *>> Any opinions are welcome.*  
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> *>> Thanks,*  
> *>> Ken*  
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