

Partitions/Drives for SBS2003??

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Hi Root

I too was concerned on this issue. I studied the getting started guide after I saw many postings on separating OS and Data on the NGs. My first Install on a Dell was a preinstall from Dell and as a newbie I had so much trouble with moving everything from C where it defaulted to D that I slicked and reinstalled to a single Partition of C on the next 5 servers. This meant i could leave EVERYTHING at default. With almost everyone saying split though I looked at the guide and the reasons they gave were performance issues. I posted a question to Microsoft on a different NG and the answer I got back was that the performance issue was only a big factor where you had more than one physical drive (not raid pair) because you had simultaneous access to each drive. MS said that with only one drive that the performance hit on one partition with one drive was very small and I stick to one C drive for that reason. On a Standard Server the defaults on Setup are not a big issue but with SBS I find that Installs are much easier if you let everything stay on C.

My opinion and I bet you get a lot more on this one! ;-)

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>-----Original Message-----

>Is there anywhere/anyone who has worked out good reasons of how to partition

>a drive for SBS2003 for just a single disk(or RAID 1 set)?

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>I'm not interested is "here's how I do it"-s. I'd like to see a real

>thoughtful summary of reasons/decisions for such.

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>Fewer drives means the free space is pooled and therefore fewer is optimal

>from this standpoint. What other important
considerations go into the
>partitioning issue?

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