

Re: Backup solution question

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Thank you very very much. The owner of the company hates buying tapes and would prefer external hard drive solution. We discussed the offsite problem and he is most unconcerned about it.

I will re-visit the issue with him and make sure he fully understands the danger in not keeping a backup offsite.

It is obviously IMPERATIVE that we have an exchange-aware solution, so this information helps my sense of panic alot.

Thanks!!!! This forum is THE place for questions and answers.

"Frank McCallister SBS MVP" <anonymous> wrote in message news:OCmOm0q5EHA.3840@tk2msftngp13.phx.gbl...

> *Hi Terry and TK*

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> *What TK says is correct on taking Backups offsite however he is wrong on
> Exchange not Backing up to Hard drive. If SBS Wizard is used to Backup to
> External Hard Drive it is Exchange aware and you will get a complete
> restorable backup. USB or Removable Hard Drive enclosures are a low cost
way*

> *of rotating Hard drives to provide off-site storage, however Tape is still
> the preferred Medium*

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> *Frank McCallister SBS MVP*

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> *"MTBoxTech" <terry@removethis.mtboxcomputers.com> wrote in message
> news:O90WG1q5EHA.3756@TK2MSFTNGP14.phx.gbl...*

> > *"susan" wrote:*

> > > *Implementing new server in a small business environment (10-12
> > > users)...SBS*

> > > *Std. edition...*

> > > *Nothing fancy, mainly just a file/print server. Will not even bring
email*

> > > *in*

> > > *house for a few months, but will do so eventually.*

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> >> *Question: would a external hard drive be okay for backups instead of a*
> >> *tape*
> >> *drive? Anybody know of issues related to that -- especially ability to*
> >> *restore?*
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> > *You should consider many things when planning your*
> > *backups/restores/disaster recover. One of them is the ability to keep*
> > *your backups offsite. A hard drive will not give you that ability*
unless
> > *you have multiples and are taking them offsite regularly. Also,*
Exchange
> > *will not backup to HDD unless you are doing offline backups (essentially*
> > *just the files w/ Exchange offline). For general – nothing fancy, get*
the
> > *job done – backups I would suggest a tape drive with a four–week tape*
> > *rotation and an end–of–month tape for each month of the year as well as*
an
> > *end–of–year tape.*
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> > *–TK*
> > *M/T Box Computers*
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