

# Re: SSL Certificates from GoDaddy – what to backup?

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I've not looked at the various options for what file formats are "recognized" when running the CEICW wizard, but if you have the file...it should be simply a matter of running the wizard...when you get to the part where its asking about the cert...just point to the file.

So for those folks that are outside the LAN...it takes 30 seconds to install the self signed cert and its a 1 time deal and all done.

Spending the extra money was better?

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Hi all,

Everyone in this group will, by now, be familiar with the SBS 2003 fun I've had this week! Anyway, prior to doing the swing thing I purchased an SSL certificate from RapidSSL to allow me to use OWA without certificate warnings.

When I did the reinstallation I backed up my certificate, and I also exported the certificate and private key to a .pfx file.

On the new system I couldn't install it. I got caught in the trap of CCIEW saying that I haven't run the wizard in IIS, or I got messages about the certificate having already been installed elsewhere, etc.

Luckily I was within my RapidSSL 7-day timeframe so I've been able to

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get a refund.

For various reasons I've now bought (and successfully installed) a new certificate from GoDaddy. They supply their certificates as a .p7b file (intermediate) and a .crt file.

Perish the thought, but if I had to do a clean install again – what should I backup? Is it safe to backup just those two files supplied by GoDaddy? What about the c:\certreq.txt file? I'm sure I'd get trapped by the "You've not run the wizard" thing again.

I don't see much help in google, so am I asking for the impossible....or just something very obvious that I'm missing!

Many thanks,

Jim