

Re: Utilizing SUS without Server Internet Connectivity

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Comments inline and at the end..

JJ8863 wrote:

- > *Internet connectivity to a server can not and will not happen. SUS*
- > *needs to have connectivity to Microsoft's web site, this can not*
- > *happen. This was also the case with MBSA, however Microsoft has made*
- > *available a file that can be downloaded so the Baseline Security*
- > *Analyzer can be used without connecting to the internet. The file can*
- > *be downloaded, copied to a memory stick and placed the the MBSA*
- > *directory.*
- > *Can SUS be utilized in the same way?*

Not that I know of. At least one server must have Internet Connectivity.
That's ONE server – not every machine on your network.

- > *I have noticed a few entries asking this question, however there are*
- > *no good answers that could be used within our environment.*
- > *Is anyone aware of how this can be done?*

Well, no – not without knowing what about the other answers did not fit your environment – what is your environment and why is the statement "Internet connectivity to a server can not and will not happen.." true in your environment?

- > *What specifically is SUS*
- > *downloading, where is this being downloaded from and where is it being*
- > *placed. How are the updates made available?*

Wow – maybe you should read some before posting.

Below I have one page (Patch Management Using Microsoft Software Update) and another you should look at:

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsserversystem/sus/susoverview.mspx>

and

<http://www.microsoft.com/windowsserversystem/sus/default.mspx>

SUS is downloading an update catalog based somewhat on parameters you give

it from Microsoft. The catalog is compared to what you already have then the updates that you do not have are downloaded (again) from Microsoft. You then, as administrator (depending on setup of the SUS server) choose what updates of those it has available – you would like ACTUALLY available to your clients – for whom you have (either through group policies or registry values) set to get updates from your SUS server.

- > *Are they the same*
- > *download format as they are available from Microsofts download site?*

- > *Is there a .cab available for these functions.*
- > *I am going to try and install SUS onto one of our servers tomorrow*
- > *and try and manipulate SUS to work in our environment, but if anyone*
- > *could supply any information or ideas I would appreciate it.*

Truthfully.. You need at least one machine that has internet connectivity in order to utilize SUS.

Look through these for ideas..

<http://myitforum.techtarget.com/articles/20/view.asp?id=7586>

Same person, different responders:

<http://www.webservertalk.com/message286528.html>

SUS Guidance page:

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/itsolutions/cits/mo/swdist/pmsus/pmsus252.msp>

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The information is provided "as is", it is suggested you research for yourself before you take any advice - you are the one ultimately responsible for your actions/problems/solutions. Know what you are getting into before you jump in with both feet.