

Top Reasons to Upgrade to Symantec Backup Exec™ 12.5 and Backup Exec System Recovery 8.5

Overview

A new gold standard in continuous data protection and complete system recovery is here—Symantec Backup Exec™ 12.5 and Backup Exec System Recovery 8.5. With more than two decades of data protection experience, Symantec™ delivers industry-leading Windows® data protection and system recovery.

Symantec Backup Exec and Backup Exec System Recovery provide complementary technologies that together minimize the impact of system downtime and data loss. With over three million servers protected globally, organizations around the world count on industry-leading and award-winning Symantec Backup Exec technology.

If your business-critical information is protected with an earlier version of Symantec Backup Exec or Backup Exec System Recovery—or both—it's time to upgrade and maximize your data and system protection for physical and virtual environments and leverage new unmatched recovery advantages.

Here are the top benefits:

For Symantec Backup Exec and Backup Exec System Recovery users:

- **NEW Comprehensive Recovery of Virtual and Physical Systems**—from an individual file or folder to an entire system in minutes ensuring your business can meet strict recovery point and recovery time objectives.
- **Certified optimized data and system protection for the complete Microsoft® Windows Server 2008** platform delivers reliable, trusted data protection and complete system recovery for the latest Windows-based business, including Windows Server 2008, Windows Small Business Server 2008, Windows Essential Business Server 2008, SQL Server 2008, and Microsoft Hyper-V, ensuring efficient recovery from data corruption, human error, or IT disasters in minutes!
- **Integration with Symantec ThreatCon™** allows you to easily configure Backup Exec and Backup Exec System Recovery to automatically run a backup when the Symantec ThreatCon level reaches or exceeds the level you specify, further protecting data and systems from security threats.

For Symantec Backup Exec users:

- **NEW Agents for VMware Virtual Infrastructures and Microsoft Hyper-V** provide both backup protection for unlimited guest machines to disk or tape and efficient file and folder recovery from a single backup, reducing management and storage resources.
- **NEW Remote Media Server Agent for Linux Server** delivers storage flexibility. Linux® and Oracle® data can be directed to attached tape and disk storage resources to optimize and improve backup performance for Linux environments.
- **NEW Infrastructure Manager** is powered by market-leading Altiris technology and allows administrators to easily inventory a Backup Exec environment to quickly locate both protected and unprotected systems, deploy new Backup Exec components to unprotected systems, and easily upgrade existing Backup Exec components to the latest version.
- **Enhanced granular data recovery** for Exchange, Active Directory, and SharePoint agents allows administrators to recover individual emails, user preferences, and documents or list items from a single-pass backup. Best of all, granular recovery technology for Exchange eliminates the need to run time-consuming Exchange mailbox backups!

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- **NEW Backup Exec Agent for Symantec Enterprise Vault™** ensures valuable data archives are backed up and easily recoverable, offering complete data protection and simplified recovery management of Enterprise Vault archives to ensure your business-critical data is always available.
- **NEW Symantec Online Storage™** integration¹ provides a secure, cost-efficient, and easy-to-manage off-site storage location to Symantec Protection Network. Symantec Online Storage integration allows users to select an off-site backup location through the Backup Exec console, providing a new off-site data-protection option or a replacement to resource-intensive tape storage.
- **Enhanced NDMP Option** provides backup flexibility to protect Network Data Management Protocol (NDMP) enabled Network Attached Storage (NAS) devices—backup support for remote NDMP devices to the Backup Exec media server include shared storage environments between Backup Exec media servers and NDMP-enabled devices.

For Symantec Backup Exec System Recovery users:

- **Enhanced virtual conversion capabilities** include the ability to automate physical-to-virtual system conversions for immediate recovery, even faster conversions to VMware ESX environments, and support for VMware ESX 3.5, Microsoft Hyper-V, and Citrix XenServer 4.x.
- **NEW Cold imaging technology** enables IT administrators to capture a backup of a system in a pre-boot state, without having to install any software on the system.
- **Flexible off-site protection** allows you to automatically copy recovery points (backups) to an FTP location or secondary disk drive to enhance your disaster recovery capabilities.
- **Enhanced recovery capabilities** with the Granular Restore Option let you quickly recover individual Exchange messages, SharePoint documents, or files and folders from a single, multi-tab interface.
- **Integration with Altiris Notification Server** allows administrators to centrally manage system backup and recovery directly in Altiris Notification Server.
- **Rapid and reliable system recovery** even to dissimilar hardware and virtual environments with Symantec's Restore Anywhere™ technology means you can restore complete systems in minutes to the same or dissimilar hardware, or easily convert physical systems to virtual environments such as VMware or Microsoft Virtual Server.

How to upgrade to Symantec Backup Exec or Backup Exec System Recovery

Customers who currently have an active maintenance contract for Backup Exec or Backup Exec System Recovery are entitled to upgrade to the appropriate Backup Exec 12.5 or Backup Exec System Recovery 8.5 licenses at no additional charge. These customers will receive an upgrade notification from Symantec containing information on where to upgrade and license key information.

Existing customers who do not have maintenance contracts are entitled to purchase upgrades at up to 35% off the standard MSRP.

For more information, visit: www.backupexec.com/save

1. Available only in North America

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