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Foreward

Here is another book by Dave, Cristal, Cary and Emile; what a significant milestone!

Ask yourself one question: Why? There are so many technologies, but why do we use what we use? Why do we do what we do? The answer is how. It's how we use something. I like to explain sometimes compliance in this way. No product or technology is inherently compliant. It's how it is implemented and how it is audited. The same goes for technology implementations; it's about how we use them. The how is the why.

Operations are still cool. There are so many razzle-dazzle job titles and buzzwords in the market today, but in the end, Operations are Operations. DevOps, PlatformOps, SRE (Sire Reliability Engineer), Platform Engineering… I do not need to go on, but no technology will take care of itself across all disciplines. How it is used, implemented, monitored, etc., matters today. Technology still needs humans and their knowledge.

Expert advice is the difference. We all learn from each other. When taking on the next new challenge, where does one go first? We look for resources to consume. Blogs, books like this, and social profiles; the established experts are the trusted advisors in the technology space. Call it community, social sharing, or what you want; we all find ourselves going to the go-to experts of a particular space.

Above and Beyond. What Dave, Cristal, Cary and Emile put forth in this book is outstanding in their practicing advice for technology. They could easily focus on their professional responsibilities and keep them narrow. But writing a book is hard work! Editing a book is hard work! I've not discussed this with them, but I'm sure they aren't doing it for the money of writing a book. They write this book because they go above and beyond, share, and care.

I'm sure you will enjoy this book, and a big congratulations on this book, Dave, Cristal, Cary and Emile.

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Introduction

This book aims to showcase the fantastic expertise of our guest speakers of MVPDays Online. They have so much passion, expertise, and expert knowledge that it only seemed fitting to write it down in a book.

This book aims to show how to be operationally proficient using Veeam Backup and Replication, Veeam One and various other Veeam products and tools. We hope you find immense value in reviewing this guide and encourage you to share your operational knowledge and skills with others in the community.

Sample Files

All sample files for this book can be downloaded from http://www.checkyourlogs.net and www.github.com/mvpdays

Additional Resources

In addition to all the tips and tricks provided in this book, you can find extra resources like articles and video recordings on our blog http://www.checkyourlogs.net

Chapter 1

Prerequisites

This chapter will go over the system and port requirements. Before installing the Veeam Backup and Replication, all conditions must be met.

System Requirements

Before installing Veeam Backup and Replication, please ensure the virtual environment and servers meet system requirements.

Veeam Back and Replication Manager Server

Please ensure the server meets the following system requirements for the Veeam backup and replication manager server.

Components	Description
OS Platform	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012, 11 (version21H2, 22H2), 10 (from version 1909 to version 22H2), 10 LTS (versions LTSB 1607, LTSC 1809, LTSC 2021)
OS Features	.NET Framework 4.7.2 or later, Windows Installer 4.5, PowerShell 5.1, SQL Server Management Objects, SQL Server System CLR Types, Report Viewer Redistributable 2015, Universal C Runtime, Firefox, Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, RDP client version 7.0 or later. Option- Microsoft System Center Virtual Machine Manager 2019, 1807, 1801, Microsoft System Center 2016 Virtual Machine Manager Admin UI, Microsoft System Center 2012 R2 Virtual Machine Manager Admin UI, Microsoft

	System Center 2012 SP1 Virtual Machine Manager Admin UI.
Database	Microsoft SQL Server 2022, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2014, 2012

Veeam Backup and Replication Console Server

Before installing the Veeam backup and replication console server, please ensure the server meets the system requirements.

Components	Description
OS Platform	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012, 11 (version21H2, 22H2), 10 (from version 1909 to version 22H2), 10 LTS (versions LTSB 1607, LTSC 1809, LTSC 2021)
OS Features	.NET Framework 4.7.2 or later, Windows Installer 4.5, PowerShell 5.1, SQL Server Management Objects, SQL Server System CLR Types, Report Viewer Redistributable 2015, Universal C Runtime, Firefox, Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, and RDP client version 7.0 or later.

Veeam Backup and Replication Off-Host Backup Proxy Server

Please ensure the server meets the following system requirements for Veeam backup and replication off-host backup proxy server.

Components	Description
OS Platform	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012

Veeam Backup and Replication Proxy Server for NAS Backup

Please ensure the server meets the system requirements of the Veeam backup and replication proxy server.

Components	Description
OS Platform	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012, 11 (version21H2, 22H2), 10 (from version 1909 to version 22H2), 10 LTS (versions LTSB 1607, LTSC 1809, LTSC 2021)

Veeam Backup Repository Server

Please ensure the server meets the following Veeam backup repository server system requirements.

Components	Description
Windows OS Platform	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012, 11 (version21H2, 22H2), 10 (from version 1909 to version 22H2), 10 LTS (versions LTSB 1607, LTSC 1809, LTSC 2021)
Linux distributions (64-bit versions)	CentOS 7.x, Debian 10.0 to 11.0, RHEL 7.0 to 9.1, Oracle Linux 7 (UEK3) to 9 (UEK R7), Oracle Linux 7 to 9 (RHCK), RHEL 7.0 to 9.1, SLES 12 SP4 or later, 15 SP1 or later, Ubuntu: 18.04 LTS, 20.04 LTS, and 22.04 LTS
Linux distributions (advanced XFS integration (fast clone))	Debian 10.x, and 11, RHEL 8.2 to 9.1, SLES 15 SP2, SP3, SP4, Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 20.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS

Veeam Tape Server

Please ensure the server meets the following system requirements for the Veeam Tape Server.

Components	Description

Windows OS Platform	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012, 11 (version21H2, 22H2), 10 (from version 1909 to version 22H2), 10 LTS (versions LTSB 1607, LTSC 1809, LTSC 2021)
Linux distributions (64-bit versions)	CentOS 7.x, Debian 10.0 to 11.0, Oracle Linux 7 (UEK3) to 9 (UEK R7), Oracle Linux 7 to 9 (RHCK), RHEL 7.0 to 9.1, SLES 12 SP4 or later, 15 SP1 or later, Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 20.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS

Veeam WAN Accelerator

Please ensure the server meets the following Veeam WAN accelerator server system requirements.

Components	Description
Windows OS Platform	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012, 11 (version21H2, 22H2), 10 (from version 1909 to version 22H2), 0 LTS (versions LTSB 1607, LTSC 1809, LTSC 2021)

Veeam Backup & Replication Gateway Server

Please ensure the server meets the following system requirements for the Veeam backup and replication gateway server.

Components	Description
Windows OS Platform	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012, 11 (version21H2, 22H2), 10 (from version 1909 to version 22H2), 0 LTS (versions LTSB 1607, LTSC 1809, LTSC 2021)
Linux distributions	CentOS 7.x, Debian 10.0 to 11.0, Oracle Linux 7 (UEK3) to 9 (UEK R7), Oracle Linux 7 to 9 (RHCK), RHEL 7.0 to 9.1, SLES

	12 SP4 or later, 15 SP1 or later, Ubuntu 18.04 LTS, 20.04 LTS, 22.04 LTS

Supported Applications

Veeam supports the following list of application-aware backups.

Components	Description
Active Directory	Windows Server 2022, 2019, 2016, 2012 R2, 2012, 2008 R2, 2008
Exchange	Exchange 2019, 2016, 2013 SP1, 2013
SharePoint	SharePoint 2022, 2019, 2016, 2013
SQL Server	SQL Server 2022 (only for Windows), 2019 (only for Windows), 2017 (only for Windows), 2016 SP2, 2014 SP3, 2012 SP4, 2008 R2 SP3, 2008 SP4
Oracle (Windows OS)	Oracle Database 11g Release 2, 12c Release 1, 12C Release 2, 18c, 19c, 21c
Oracle (Linux OS)	Oracle Database 11g Release 2, 12c Release 1, 12C Release 2, 18c, 19c, 21c
PostgreSQL	PostgreSQL 15, 14, 13, 12

Firewall Open Ports Requirements

You should only open the ports required for an application to run in a production environment. Locking an environment is required for most Cyber Security audits and best practices. The list below is the Port requirements for Veeam Backup and Replication. This list will help you securely build your environment, and these firewall rules for the required ports are automatically created

when you install the Veeam Backup & Replication servers. However, some Linux distributions need to have manual firewall rules created.

Windows Servers

Windows servers require the following inbound and outbound ports opened. The inbound/outbound ports must be opened for Windows servers as Veeam backup infrastructure components or enable application-aware processing.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup & replication manager server	Windows server	TCP	445 135
Microsoft Hyper-V server or Off-host backup proxy		TCP	6160
Veeam backup repository		TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam gateway server		TCP	6162
Veeam mount server		TCP	49152 to 65535
Veeam WAN accelerator server			
Veeam tape server			

Linux Servers

Linux servers require the following inbound and outbound ports opened. The inbound/outbound ports must be opened for Windows servers as Veeam backup infrastructure components or enable application-aware processing.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number

Veeam backup & replication manager server	Linux servers	TCP	22
		TCP	6162
		TCP	2500 to 3300
Linux Servers	Veeam backup & replication manager server	TCP	2500 to 3300

Veeam Backup Manager Server

The Veeam Backup and Replication Servers require the following inbound and outbound ports opened.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup & replication manager server	SCVMM server	TCP	8100
	Hyper-V Host server	TCP	445 135
		TCP	6160
		TCP	6162
		TCP	6163
		TCP	2500 to 3300
		TCP	49152 to 65535
	Veeam Backup & Replication	TCP	1433

	configuration database server		
	DNS server	UDP	53
	Veeam update notification server (dev.veeam.com)	HTTPS TCP	443
	Veeam update license server (vbr.butler.veeam.com, autolk.veeam.com)	TCP	443
	SMB3 server	TCP	6160
		TCP	6162
	Veeam backup & replication manager server	TCP	9501
		TCP	6172
Management client PC		TCP	3389
REST client		TCP	9419
SCVMM		TCP	8732

Veeam Backup & Replication Console

The Veeam Backup & Replication Console application requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup & replication console server	Veeam backup & replication manager server	TCP	9392
		TCP	10003
		TCP	9396
Veeam backup & replication console server	Veeam Mount server	TCP	2500 to 3300

Veeam Backup Proxy server

The Veeam Backup Proxy server requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Windows Hyper-V server/ Off-host backup proxy	Windows server	TCP	49152 to 65535
	SMB (CIFS) share	TCP	445 135
	NFS share	TCP, UDP	111 2049
	Veeam Gateway server	TCP UDP	49152 to 65535
Windows Hyper-V server		TCP	2500 to 3300

SMB3 server	Veeam backup proxy server (onhost or offhost)	TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam backup & replication manager server	Offhost backup proxy	TCP	6163
	SMB3 server	TCP	6163
	Offhost file proxy	TCP	6210

Windows and Linux-based Backup Repository

The Windows and Linux-based Backup Repositories require opening the inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup proxy server	Veeam backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam source backup repository	Veeam target backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam source backup repository	Azure Object storage repository gateway server	TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam Backup repository/ secondary backup repository	Cache repository in NAS backup	TCP	2500 to 3300
Windows server running vPower NFS Service	Veeam backup repository gateway server as a backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300

NFS Share Backup Repository

The NFS Share Backup Repository requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam gateway server / Veeam backup proxy	NFS share is as a backup repository	TCP UDP	2049
		TCP UDP	111
	NFS share as a backup repository (version 3)	TCP UDP	mountd_port
		TCP UDP	statd_port
		TCP	lockd_port
		UDP	lockd_port

Windows SMB Backup Repository

The SMB Backup Repository requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam gateway server / Veeam backup proxy	Windows SMB (CIFS) backup repository	TCP	445 135

Azure Object Storage Repository

The Azure Object Storage repository requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam gateway server	Azure Object Storage	TCP	443
		HTTPS	xxx.blob.core.windows.net for the region of Global xxx.blob.core.chinacloudapi.cn for the region of China xxx.blob.core.cloudapi.de for the region of Germany xxx.blob.core.usgovcloudapi.net for the region of Government
		TCP	80
		HTTP	ocsp.digicert.com ocsp.msocsp.com *.d-trust.net

External Repository

The External Repository requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
		TCP	443

Veeam gateway server	Azure Object Storage		
		HTTPS	xxx.blob.core.windows.net for the region of Global xxx.blob.core.chinacloudapi.cn for the region of China xxx.blob.core.cloudapi.de for the region of Germany xxx.blob.core.usgovcloudapi.net for the region of Government
		TCP	80
		HTTP	ocsp.digicert.com ocsp.msocsp.com *.d-trust.net

Azure Archive Object Storage Repository

The Azure Archive Object Storage Repository requires opening the inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam gateway server	Azure proxy appliance	TCP	443
		SSH	22

		HTTPS	Public/private IPv4 addresses of Azure appliance
Azure proxy appliance	Azure object storage	TCP	443
		HTTPS	xxx.blob.core.windows.net for the region of Global xxx.blob.core.chinacloudapi.cn for the region of China xxx.blob.core.cloudapi.de for the region of Germany xxx.blob.core.usgovcloudapi.net for the region of Government
		TCP	80
		HTTP	ocsp.digicert.com ocsp.msocsp.com *.d-trust.net

Veeam Gateway Server

The Veeam Gateway Server requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam gateway server	Windows SMB (CIFS) backup repository	TCP	445 135

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	NFS shares the backup repository	TCP, UDP	111, 2409

Veeam Tape Server

The Veeam Tape Server requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server	Veeam tape server	TCP	6166
		TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam tape server	Veeam backup and replication manager server	TCP	2500 to 3300

Veeam WAN Accelerator Server

The Veeam WAN Accelerator Server requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server	Veeam WAN accelerator server	TCP	6160
		TCP	6162

		TCP	6164
Veeam WAN accelerator server	Veeam backup and replication manager server	TCP	2500 to 3300
	Veeam WAN accelerator server	TCP	6164
		TCP	6165

Veeam Guest Interaction Proxy with Non-Persistent Runtime Components

The Veeam Guest Interaction Proxy with non-persistent Runtime Components requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server	VM guest Linux OS	TCP	22
	Veeam Guest interaction proxy	TCP	6190
		TCP	6290
		TCP	445
Veeam Guest interaction proxy	VM guest Windows OS	TCP	445 135
		TCP	49152 to 65535

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		TCP	6167
	VM guest Linux OS	TCP	22
VM guest OS	Veeam Guest interaction proxy	TCP	2500 to 3300

Veeam Guest Interaction Proxy with Persistent Agent Components

The Veeam Guest Interaction Proxy with Persistent Agent Components requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam Guest interaction proxy	VM guest OS	TCP	6160 11731
		TCP	6167
		TCP	6173 2500

Log Shipping Server Connections

The Log Shipping Server connections require opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
	Log shipping server	TCP	445

Veeam backup and replication manager server			135
		TCP	6160
		TCP	6162
		TCP	49152 to 65535
Log shipping server	Veeam backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300

SQL Guest OS Connections

The SQL Server connections require opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam Guest interaction proxy	SQL VM guest OS	TCP	445 135
		TCP	2500 to 3300
		TCP	6160 11731
		TCP	49152 to 65535
		TCP	6167

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SQL VM guest OS	Veeam Guest interaction proxy	TCP	2500 to 3300
	Veeam backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300
	Log shipping server	TCP	2500 to 3300

Oracle Guest OS Connections

The Oracle Server connections require opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam Guest interaction proxy	Oracle VM guest OS (Microsoft Windows)	TCP	445 135
		TCP	2500 to 3300
		TCP	6160 11731
		TCP	49152 to 65535
		TCP	6167
	Oracle VM guest OS (Linux)	TCP	22
		TCP	2500 to 3300

Oracle VM guest OS	Veeam Guest interaction proxy	TCP	2500 to 3300
	Veeam backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300
	Log shipping server	TCP	2500 to 3300

Veeam Mount Server

The Veeam Mount Server requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam Mount server	Veeam backup and replication manager server	TCP	9401
	Veeam Backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam backup and replication manager server	Veeam Mount server	TCP	445
		TCP	2500 to 3300
		TCP	6160
		TCP	6162
		TCP	6170

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		TCP	49152 to 65535

Veeam Helper Appliance

The Veeam Helper Appliance requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam helper appliance	Veeam Backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam backup and replication manager server	Veeam helper appliance	TCP	22
		TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam mount server	Veeam helper appliance	TCP	22
		TCP	2500 to 3300

Veeam Helper Host

The Veeam Helper Host requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam helper host	Veeam Backup repository	TCP	2500 to 3300
	Veeam helper host	TCP	22

Veeam backup and replication manager server		TCP	2500 to 3300
		TCP	6162
Veeam mount server	Veeam helper host	TCP	22
		TCP	2500 to 3300

VM Guest OS

The VM Guest OS requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
VM guest OS	Veeam helper appliance	TCP	21
Veeam helper appliance	VM guest Linux or Unix OS	TCP	20
		TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam helper host	VM guest Linux or Unix OS	TCP	2500 to 3300
Veeam backup and replication manager server	VM guest Linux or Unix OS	TCP	22
Veeam mount server	VM guest Windows OS	TCP	445 135

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		TCP	6160 11731
		TCP	6173 2500
		TCP	49152 to 65535
Veeam backup and replication manager server	VM guest OS	TCP	2500 to 3300

Veeam U-AIR

The Veeam U-AIR requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam U-AIR	Veeam Backup Enterprise manager server	TCP	9394

Application Item of Active Directory Domain Controller Restore

The Application Item of Active Directory Domain Controller Restore requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
		TCP	135

Veeam backup and replication manager server	Active directory VM guest OS	TCP UDP	389
		TCP	636 3268 3269
		TCP	49152 to 65535 (for Microsoft Windows server 2008 and later)

Application Item of Exchange Server Restore

The Exchange Server Restore Application Item requires opening the inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server	Exchange 2003/2007 CAS Server	TCP	80 443
	Exchange 2010/2013/2016/2019 CAS Server	TCP	443

Application Item of SQL Server Restore

The SQL Server Restore Application Item requires opening the inbound and outbound ports.

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Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server	SQL VM guest OS	TCP	1433 1434 and other

Azure Proxy Server

The Azure Proxy Server requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server / Backup Repository server	Azure Proxy server	TCP	443

Azure Helper Appliance

The Azure Helper Appliance requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server	Azure helper appliance	TCP	22

Azure Stack

Azure Stack requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server	Azure stack	TCP	443 30024

SMTP Server

The SMTP Server requires opening the following inbound and outbound ports.

Sources	Target	Network Protocol	Port Number
Veeam backup and replication manager server	SMTP server	TCP	25

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Chapter 2

Deployment

This chapter will walk you through installing and upgrading the Veeam Backup and Replication components. You must ensure that the devices meet the system requirements before installing or upgrading Veeam Backup and Replication components on the machine.

Veeam Backup and Replication v12 includes several new features and improvements, including:

- Direct-to-Object
- Direct-to-Cloud
- Immutable backups
- Hardened repository improvements
- Microsoft Azure Blob Storage immutability support
- HPE Storage immutability support
- Multi-factor authentication
- Kerberos-only authentication
- IPv6 support
- gMSA accounts for Windows
- Single-use credentials for Linux
- Automatic console lockouts
- Best practices analyzer
- Network-less discovery and deployment
- Dynamic protection scope
- in-cloud data flow

- Full portability
- PostgreSQL support for a configuration database
- VeeaMover
- Move backups between jobs
- Copy backups between repositories
- Multiple gateway server support
- Direct to archive
- Object storage as performance extent

These are only a few new features and improvements in Veeam Backup and Replication v12. Overall, the new release focuses on providing faster and more efficient backup and recovery, enhanced security, and greater flexibility and ease of management.

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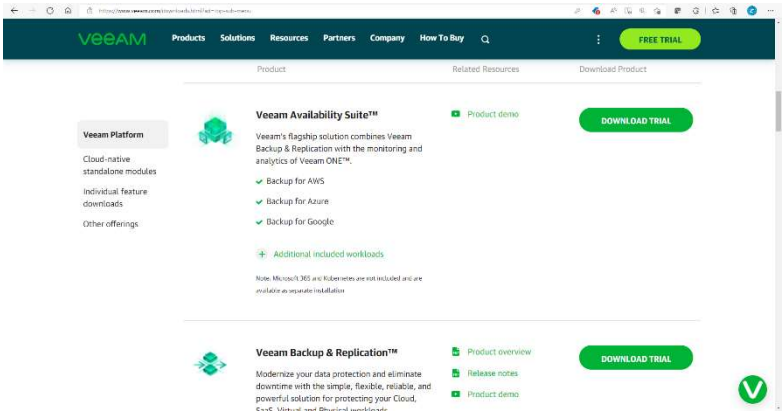
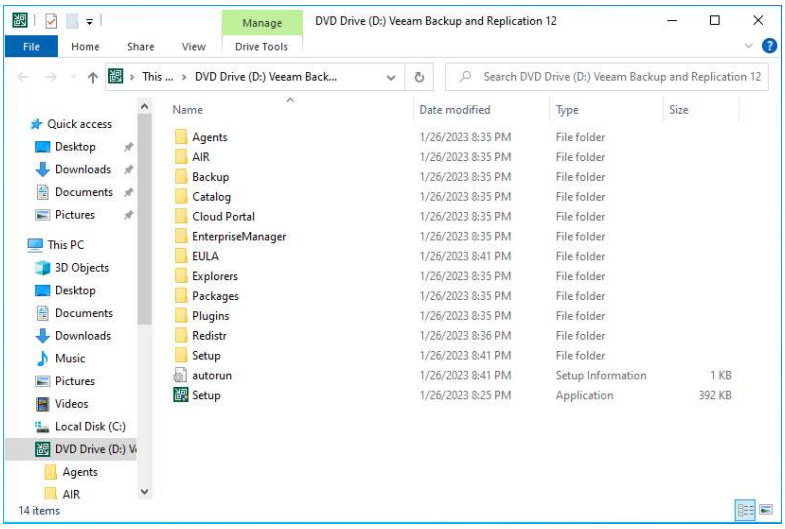
Install Veeam Backup and Replication v12 with PostgreSQL

When you install Veeam Backup & Replication, the Veeam Backup & Replication console is automatically installed on the backup server.

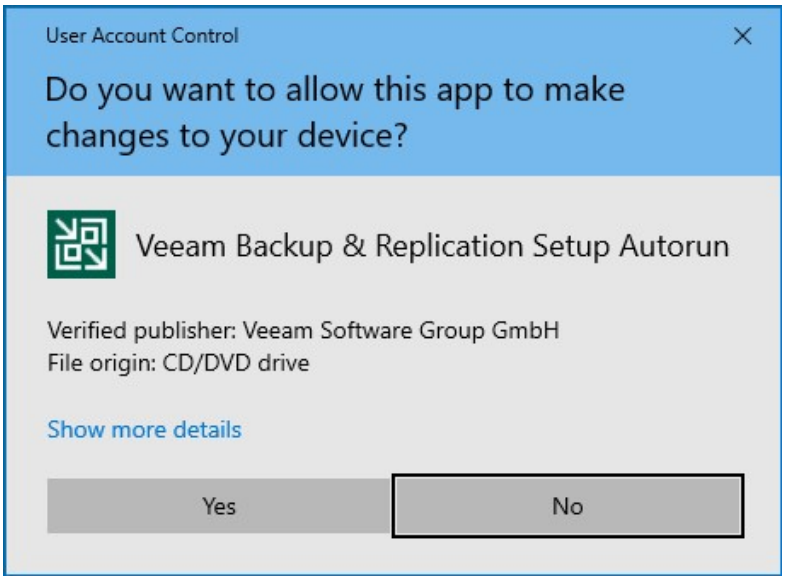
You can choose PostgreSQL as a Veeam Backup & Replication database. It has no size limit or computes restrictions and has improved performance over SQL Express.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and Replication manager server. 2. Download the Veeam Backup and Replication v12 ISO image file from the Veeam website sign-in required).	

3. Mount the Veeam Backup and Replication v12 iso image file.
4. Run Setup.exe.



5. On the User Access Control page, click Yes.



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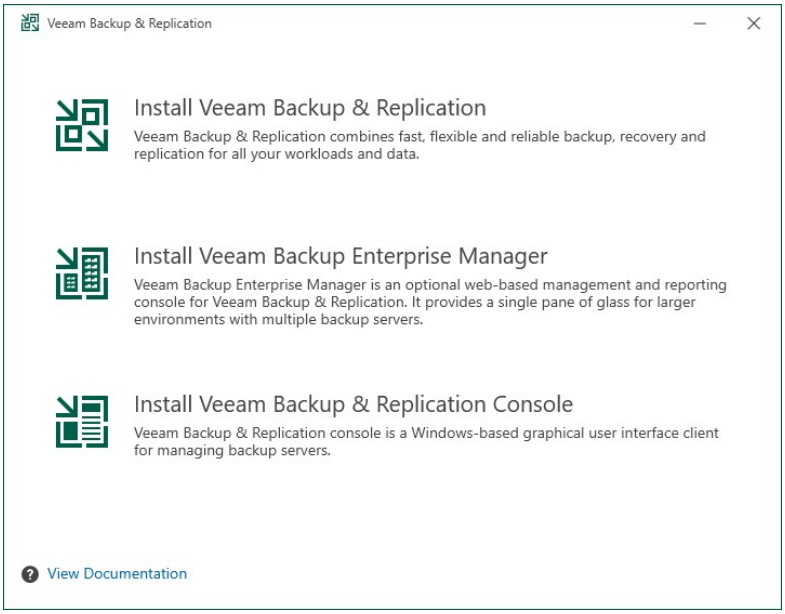
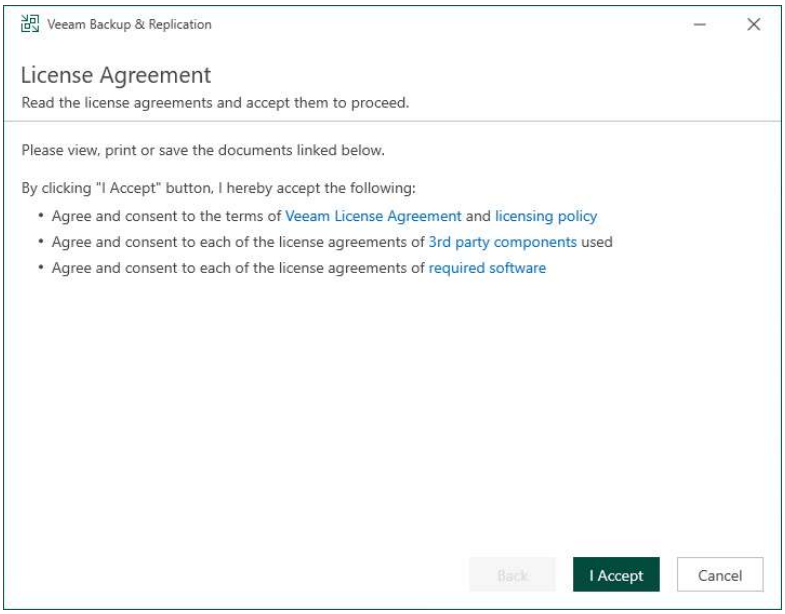
6. On the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 page, click Install.

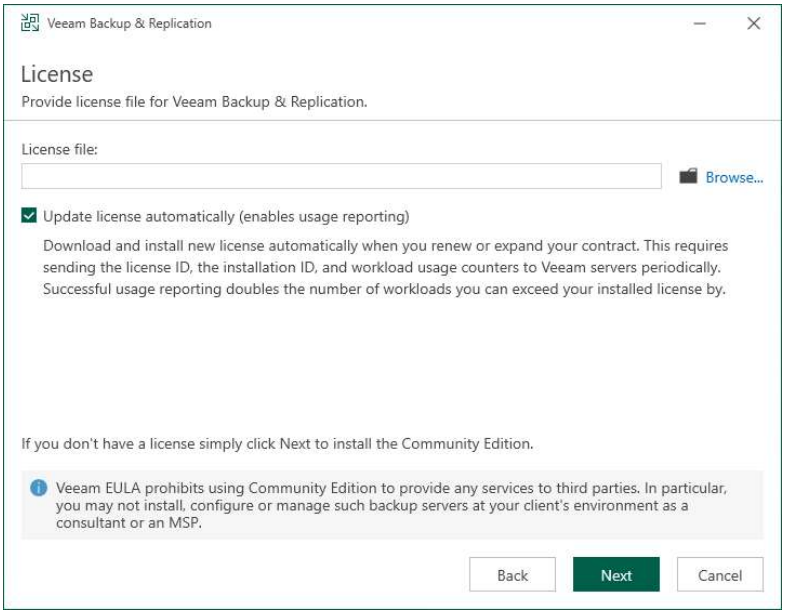
7. Select Install Veeam Backup & Replication on the Veeam Backup & Replication page.



8. Click I Accept on the License Agreement page.



9. Click Browse on the License page.



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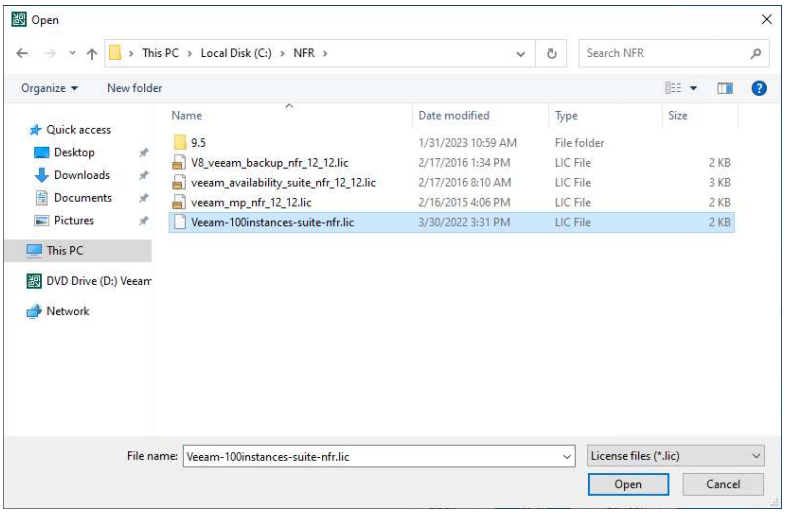
10. Select a license file for Veeam Backup & Replication and click Open.



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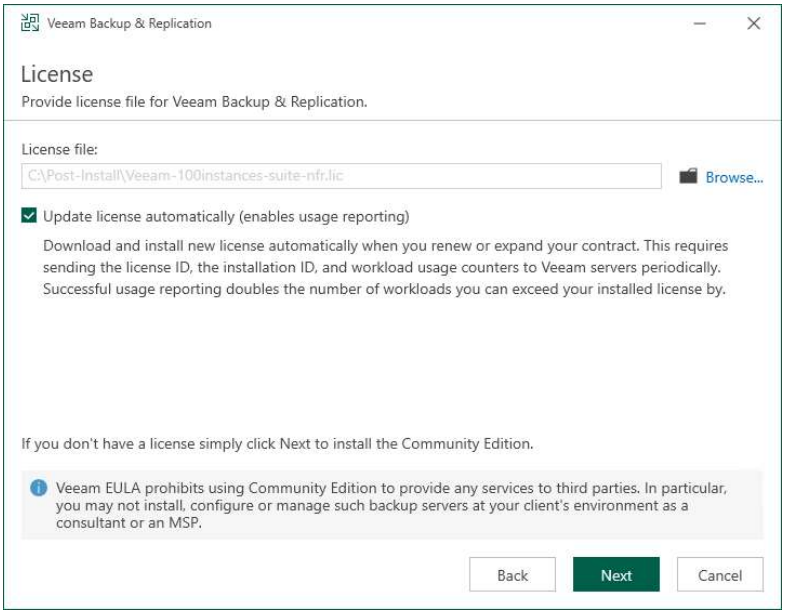
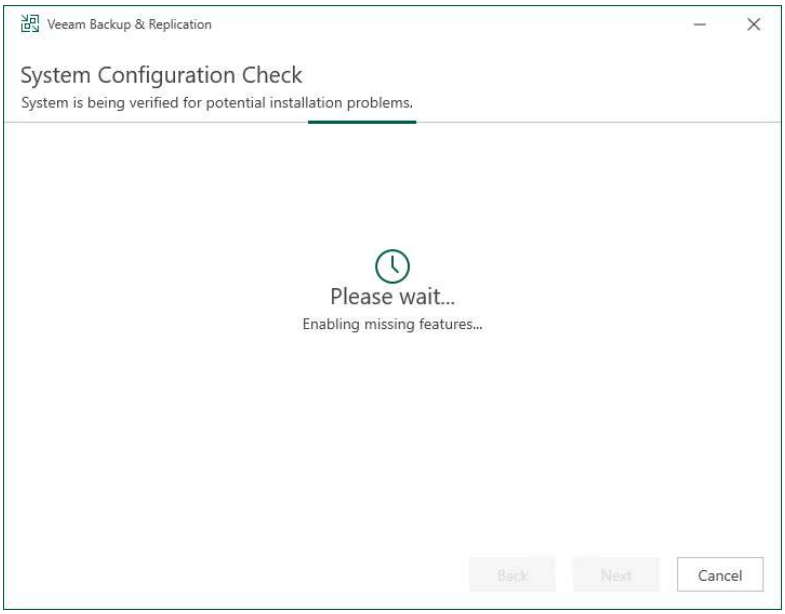
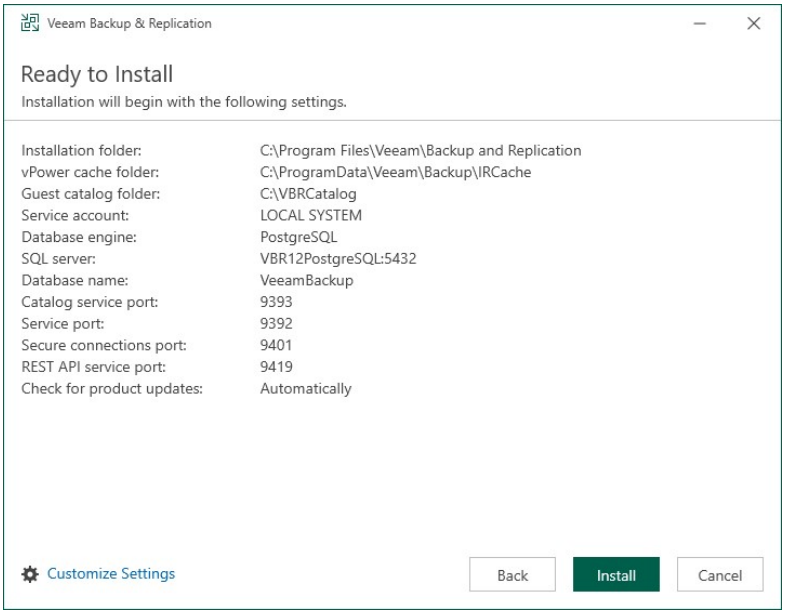
12. Click Next.



13. The setup wizard checks if the required software is installed on the machine during the System Configuration Check step. If required components are missing, the setup will attempt to install them independently. Rebooting is required after the components have been successfully installed. Click Reboot to restart the machine.



14. Click Customize Settings on the Ready to Install page.



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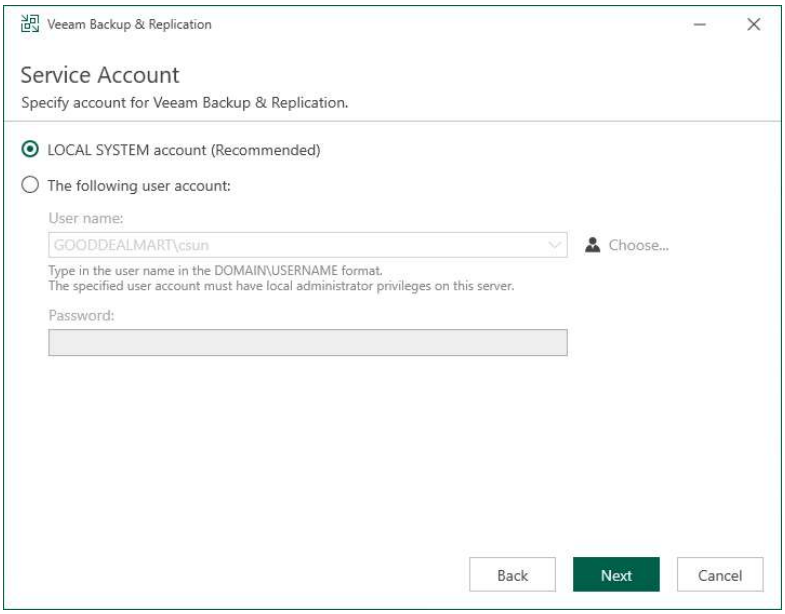
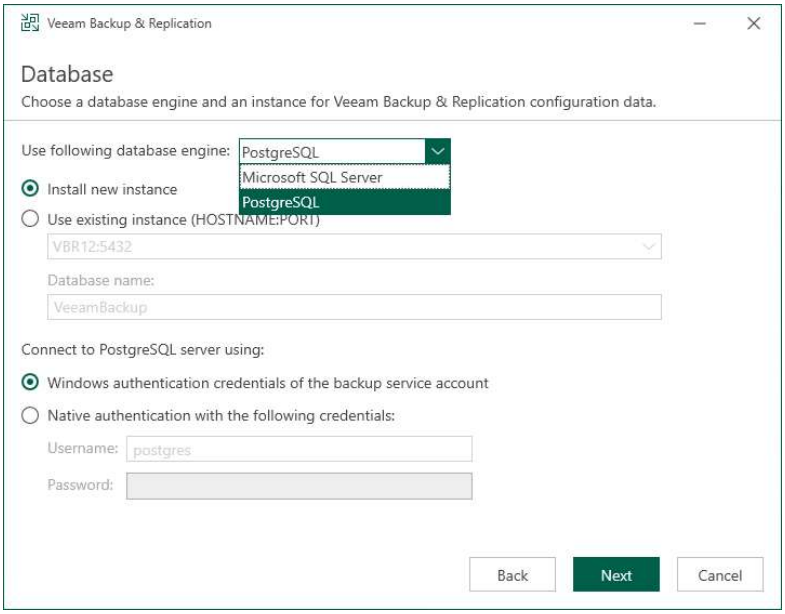
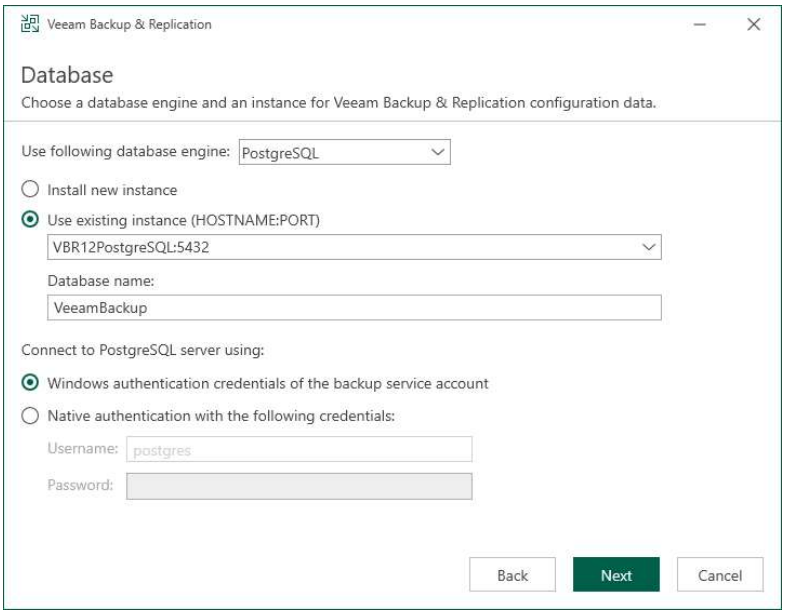
15. On the Service Account page, select LOCAL SYSTEM account and click Next.



16. On the Database page, select PostgreSQL from the database engine drop-down list.
17. Select the Install a new instance option to install a new PostgreSQL instance. PostgreSQL 15.1 will be installed on the Veeam Backup & Replication server, and a database named VeeamBackup will be created.



18. Select the Use the existing instance option to use an already installed PostgreSQL instance. Then, in the HOSTNAME:PORT format, enter the instance name.
19. Enter a name for the Veeam Backup & Replication configuration database in the Database name field.
20. Select Windows authentication credentials of the backup service account to connect to PostgreSQL Server.
21. Click Next.



Note:

If you use an already installed PostgreSQL instance or make any changes to the machine hardware, you must perform additional PostgreSQL instance configuration. To accomplish this:

1. In the automatic mode, run the Set-VBRPSQLDatabaseServerLimits cmdlet.

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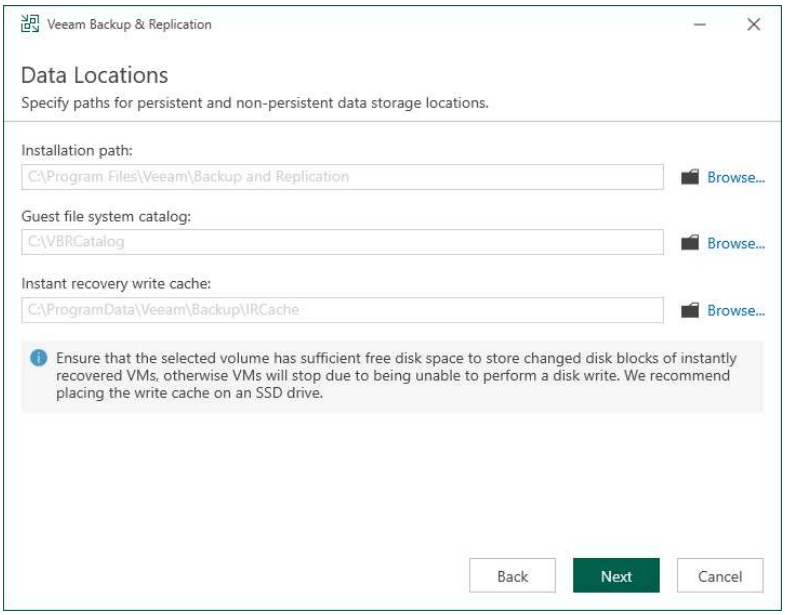
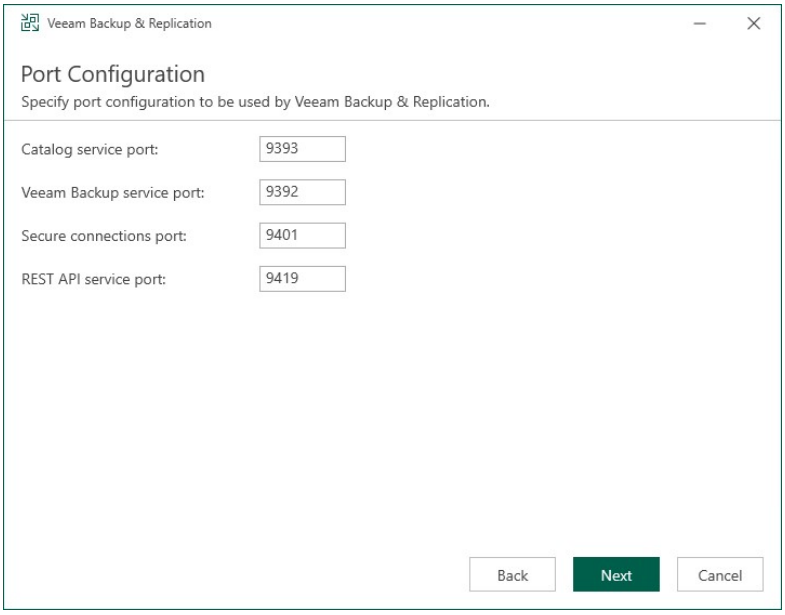
2. Start the PostgreSQL service again.

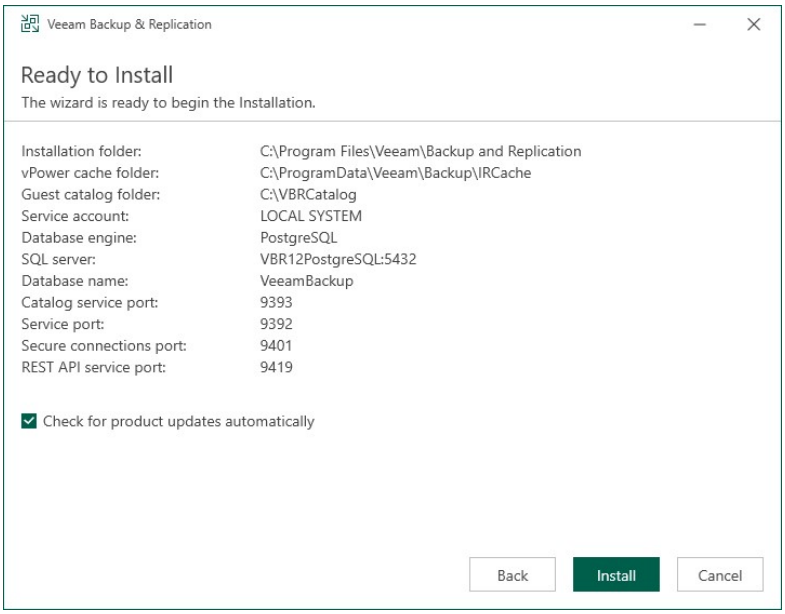
22. On the Data locations page, click Browse and select the path in the Installation path field.
23. Browse and select the path in the Guest file system catalog: field.
24. Click Browse and select the path in the Instant recovery write cache field.
25. Click Next.



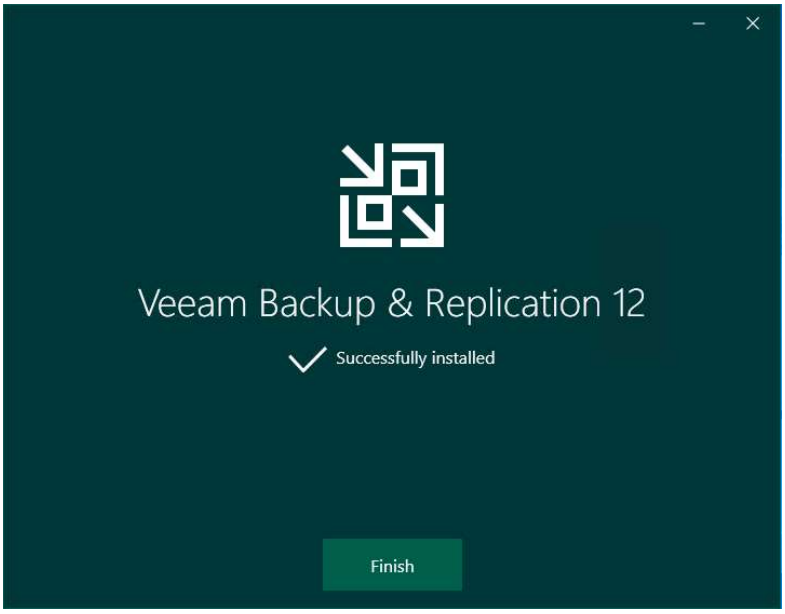
26. On the Port Configuration page, specify the port configuration to be used by Veeam Backup and Replication and click Next.



27. Click Install on the Ready to Install page.



28. Click Finish on the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 Successfully installed page.



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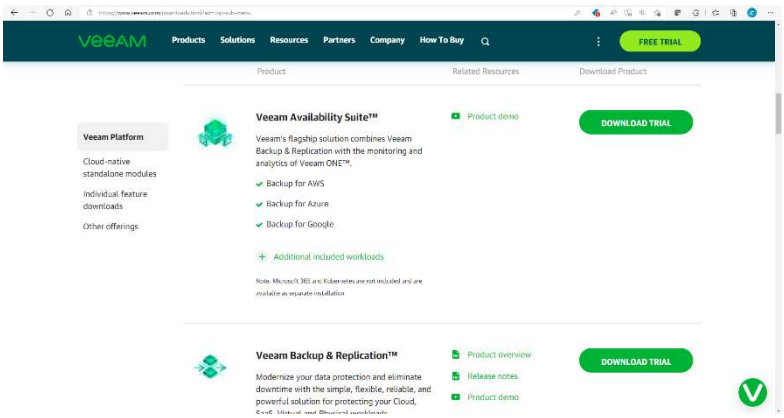
Install Veeam Backup and Replication v12 with Microsoft SQL (or SQL Express)

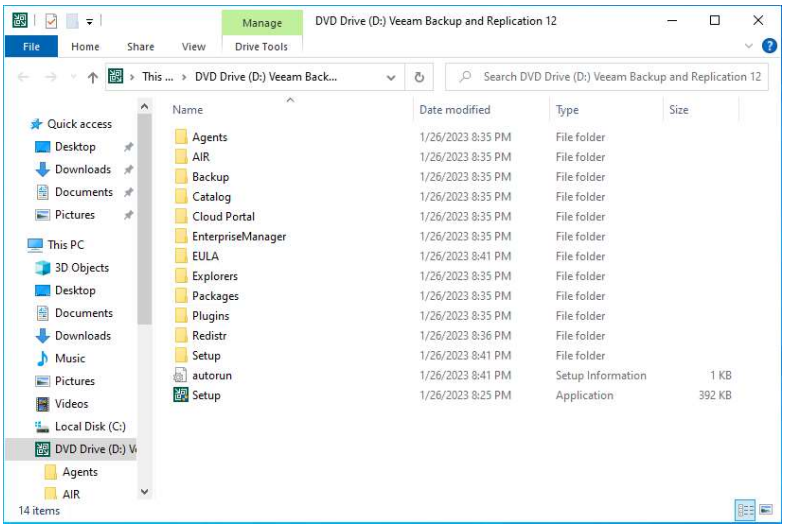
When you install Veeam Backup & Replication, the Veeam Backup & Replication console is automatically installed on the backup server.

You can choose Microsoft SQL as a Veeam Backup & Replication database. However, you installed a Microsoft SQL Server (or Express), either locally on the backup manager server or remotely. If Microsoft SQL Server is not already installed. In that case, the Veeam Backup & Replication won't install the Microsoft SQL Server Express Edition on the backup server automatically. You must install it before installing Veeam Backup and Replication v12 RTM version.

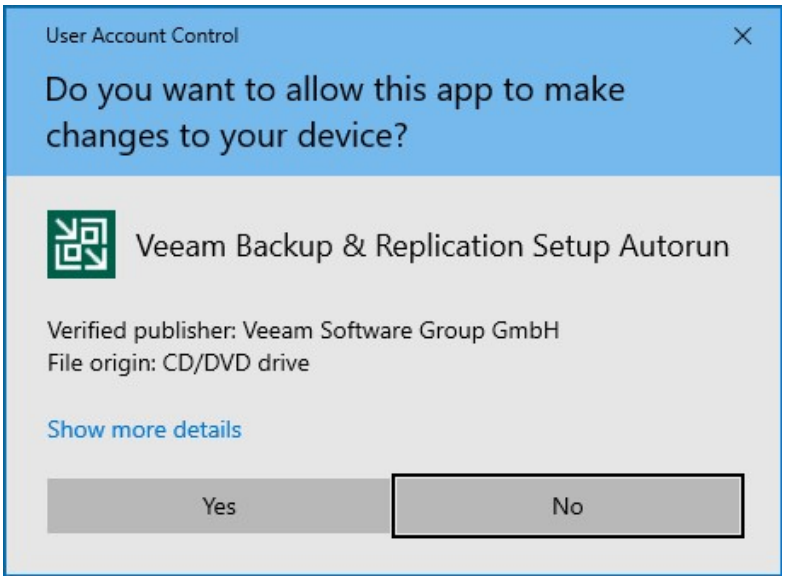
Microsoft SQL Server Express has a configuration data storage limit of 10 GB. The Express Edition is sufficient for the evaluation and small environments (500 VMs).

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Ensure the Microsoft SQL Server or Microsoft SQL Server Express is installed locally or remotely. 2. Log in to the Veeam Backup and Replication manager server. 3. Download the Veeam Backup and Replication v12 ISO image file from the Veeam website sign-in required).	

4. Mount the Veeam Backup and Replication v12 iso image file.
5. Run Setup.exe.



6. On the User Access Control page, click Yes.



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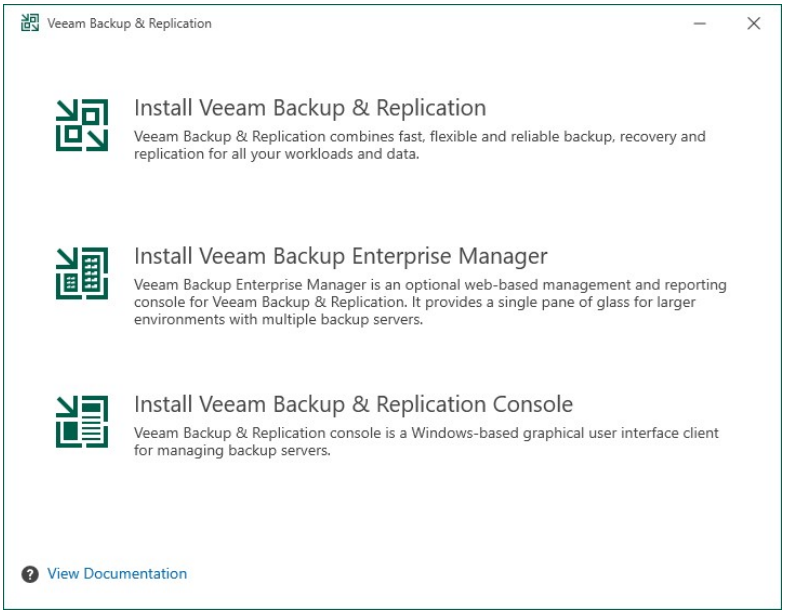
7. On the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 page, click Install.

8. Select Install Veeam Backup & Replication on the Veeam Backup & Replication page.



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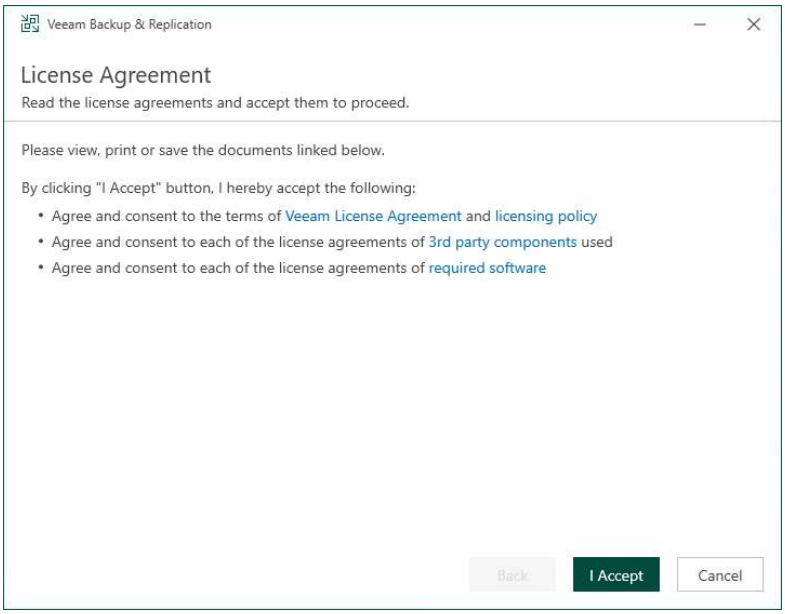

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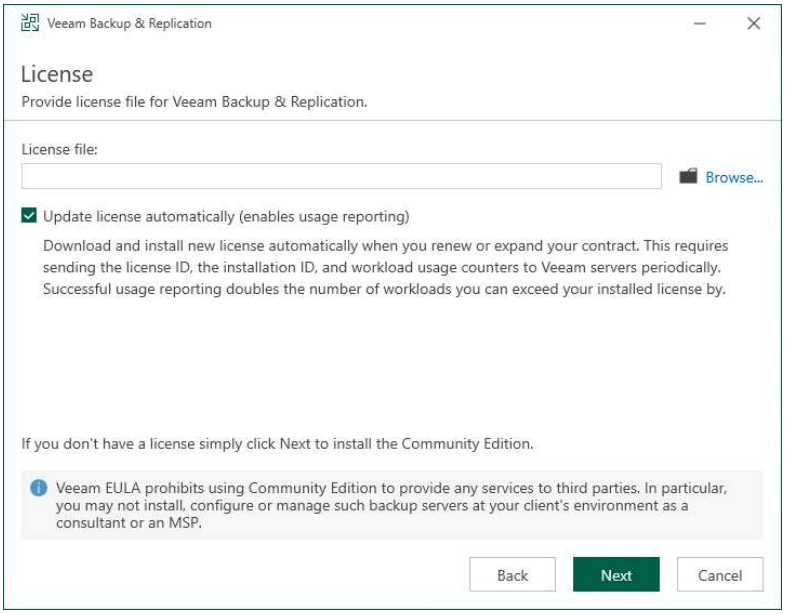

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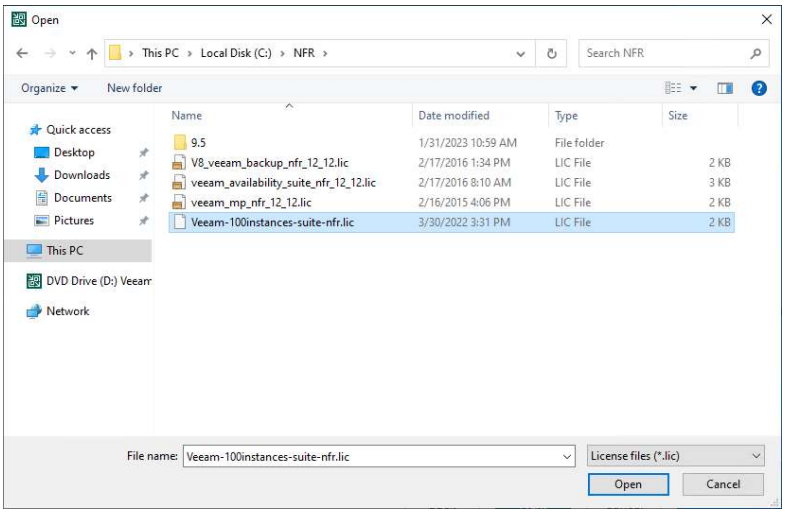
11. Select a license file for Veeam Backup & Replication and click Open.



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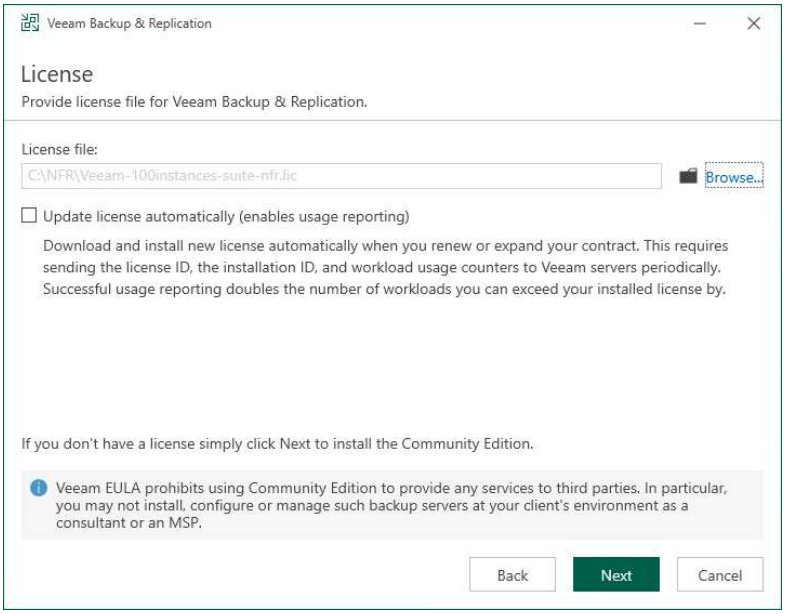

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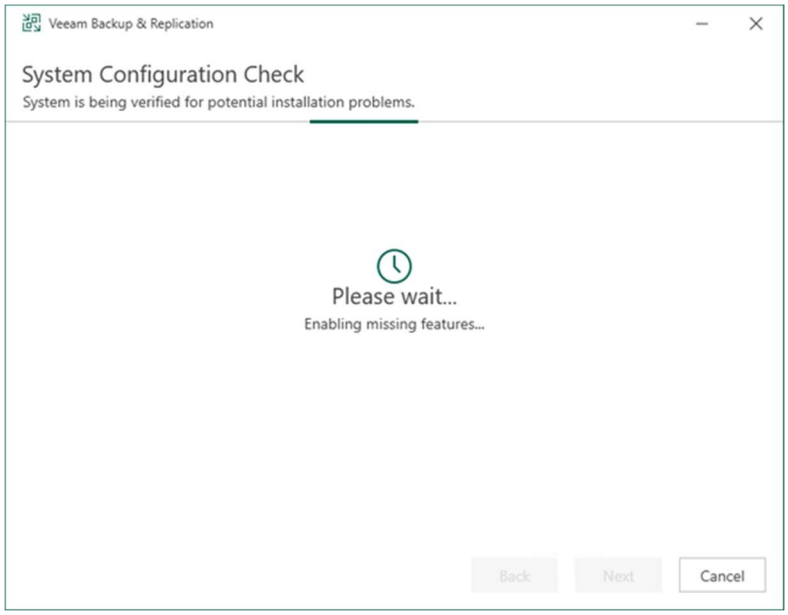
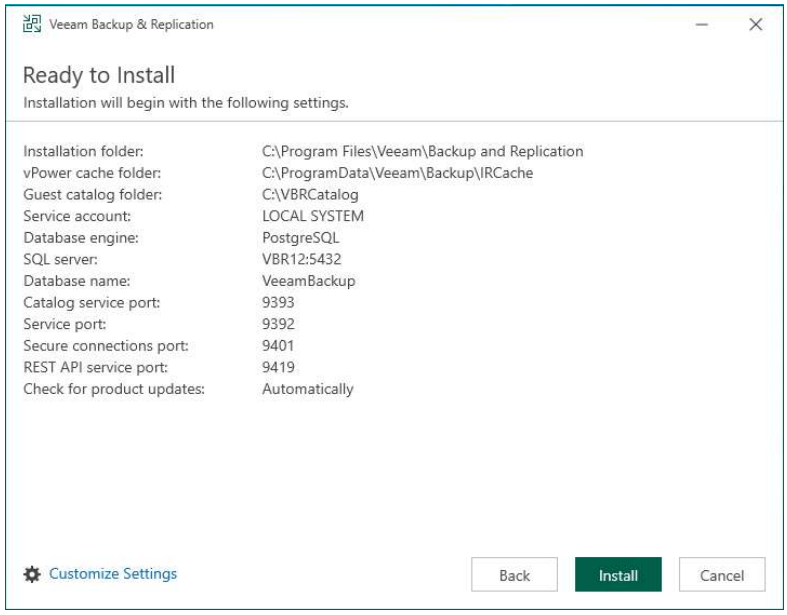


15. Click Customize Settings on the Ready to Install page.



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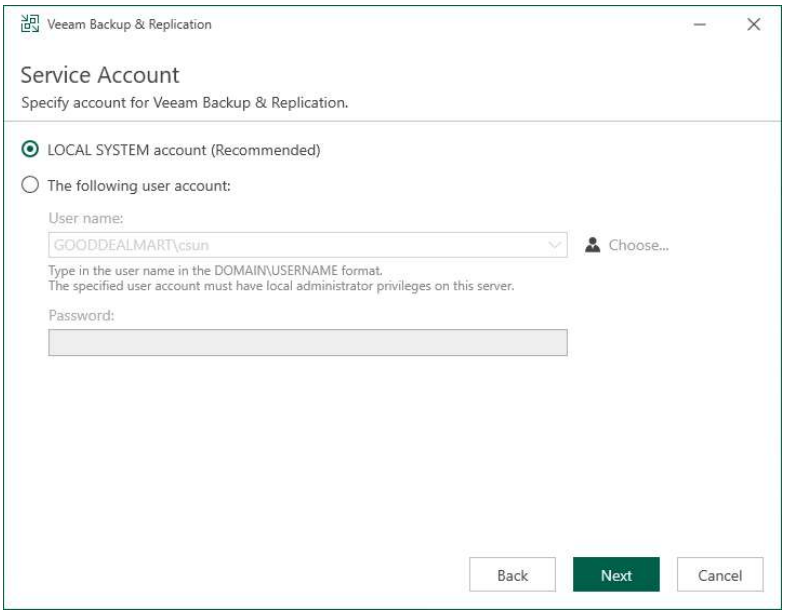
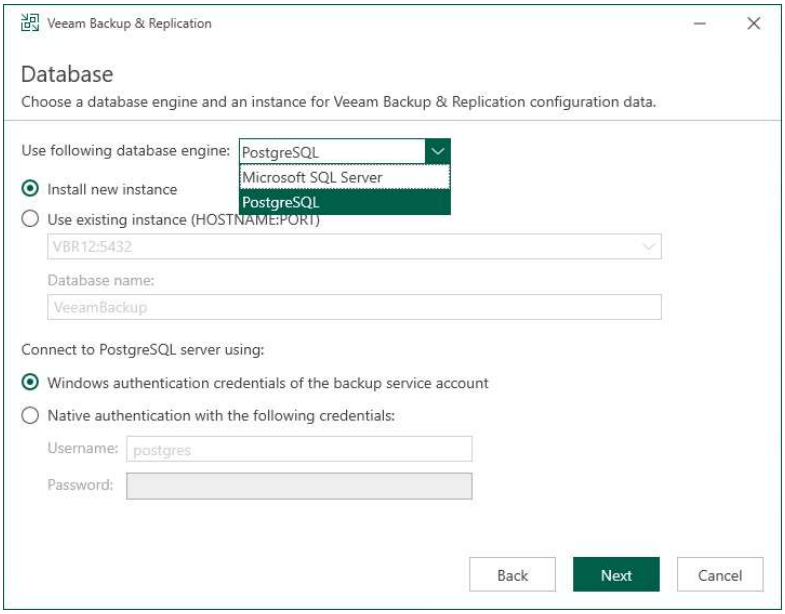
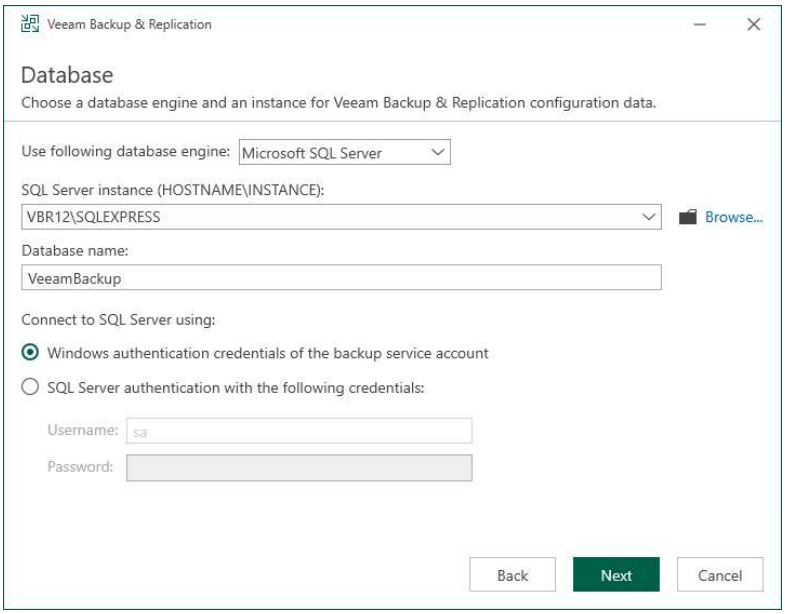
16. On the Service Account page, select LOCAL SYSTEM account and click Next.



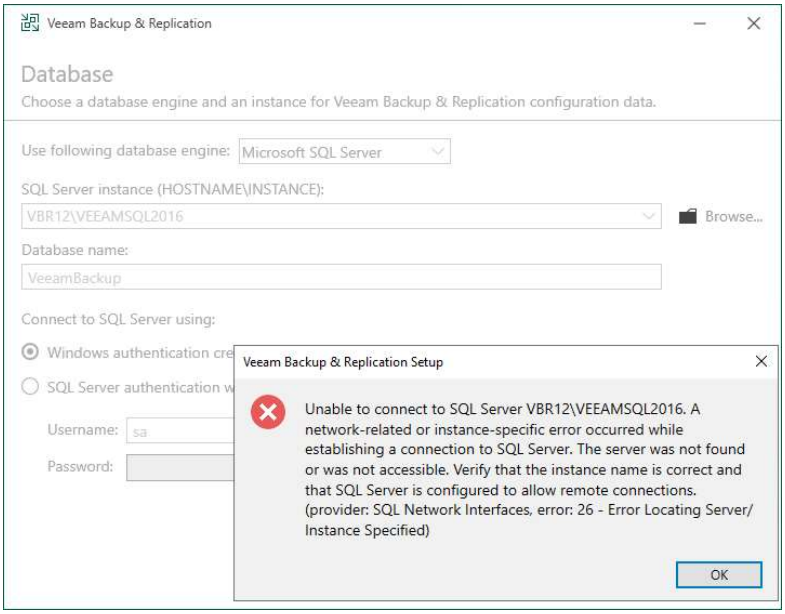
17. On the Database page, select the Microsoft SQL Server from the database engine drop-down list.



18. Click Browse to select the SQL server and instance on the SQL Server instance session.
19. Select Windows authentication credentials of the backup service account to connect to SQL Server.
20. Click Next.



21. The error message will pop up if the Microsoft SQL Server or Microsoft SQL Server Express does not install locally or remotely.



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22. On the Data locations page, click Browse and select the path in the Installation path field.
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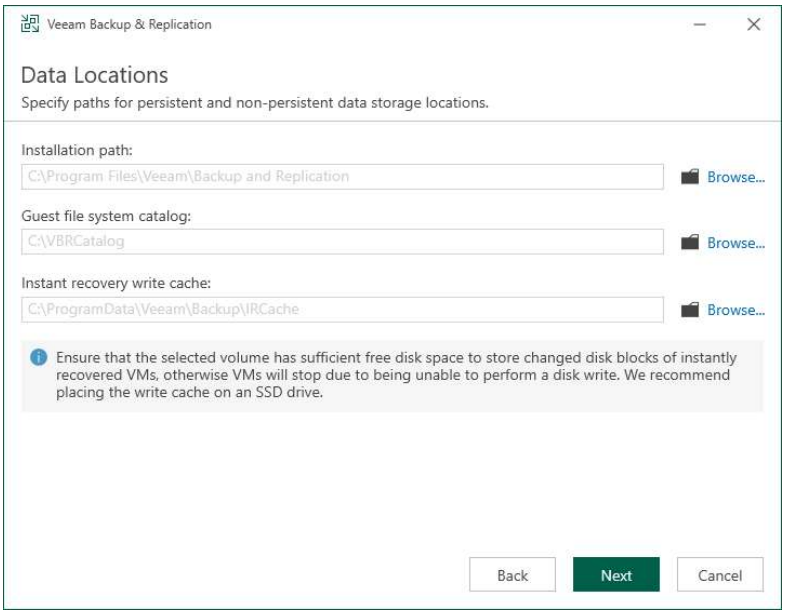
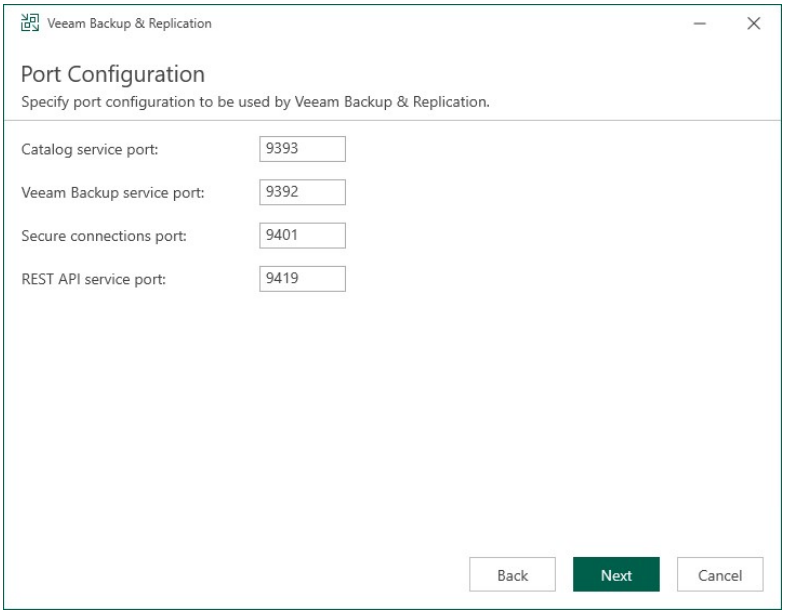
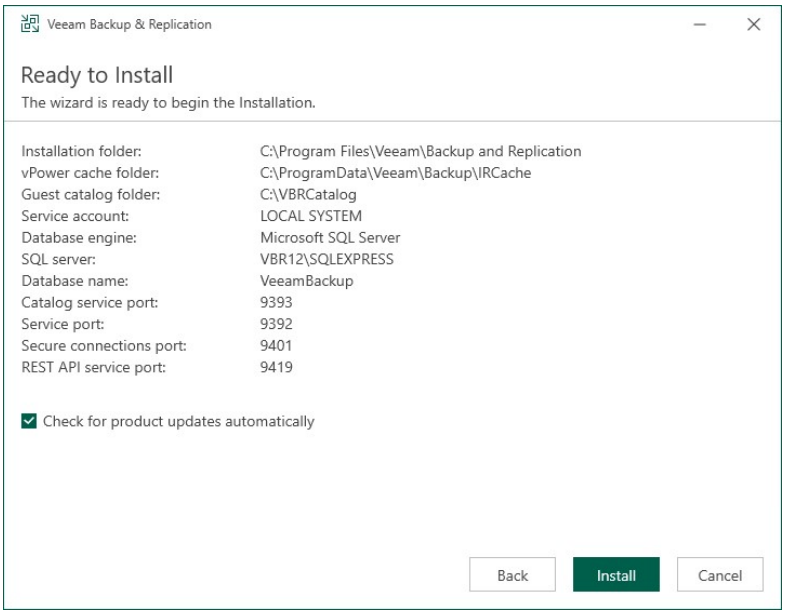


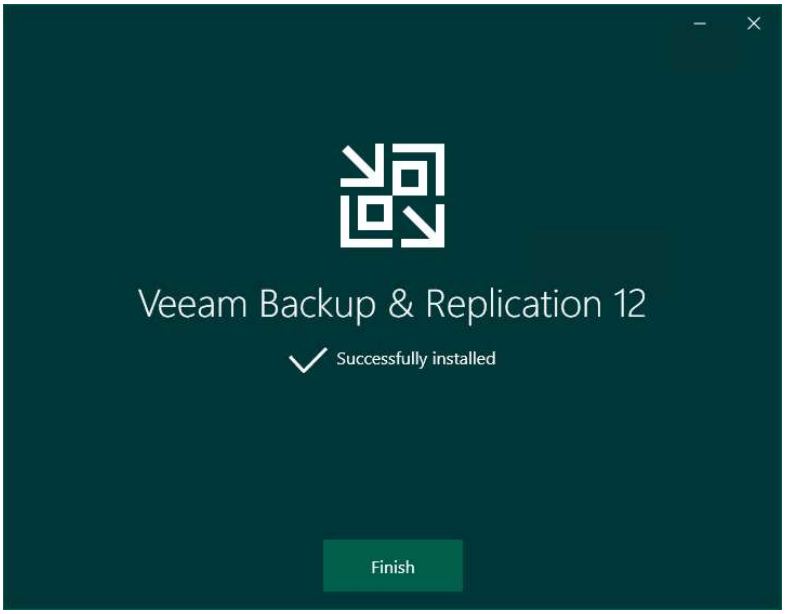
26. On the Port Configuration page, specify the port configuration to be used by Veeam Backup and Replication and click Next.



27. Click Install on the Ready to Install page.



28. Click Finish on the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 Successfully installed page.



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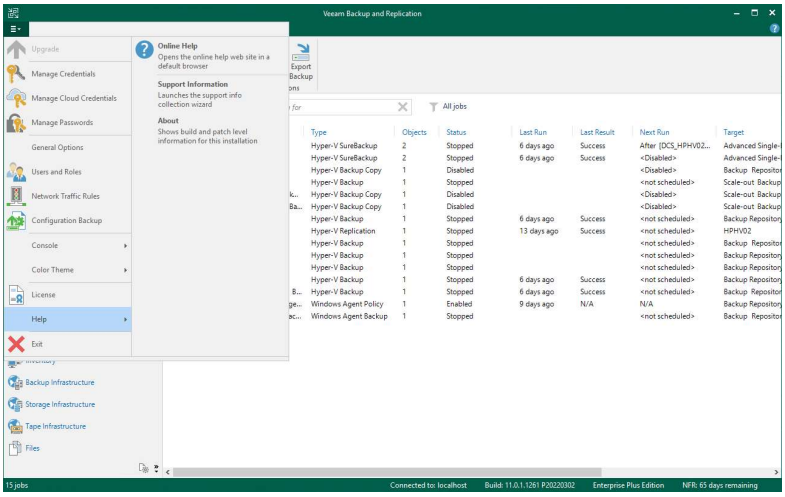
Upgrade the Existing Veeam Backup and Replication to v12

Veeam Backup and Replication v12 launched on Feb 14, 2023. If you are still using an older version, it is time to upgrade it to v12. To upgrade Veeam Backup & Replication to version 12, you must have version 10a (build 10.0.1.4854) or later installed on the supported operating system.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the existing Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console. 3. Drop down the main menu, select Help, and click About to check Veeam Backup & Replication version.	

4. Make sure the existing Veeam Backup and Replication version meets the requirements.

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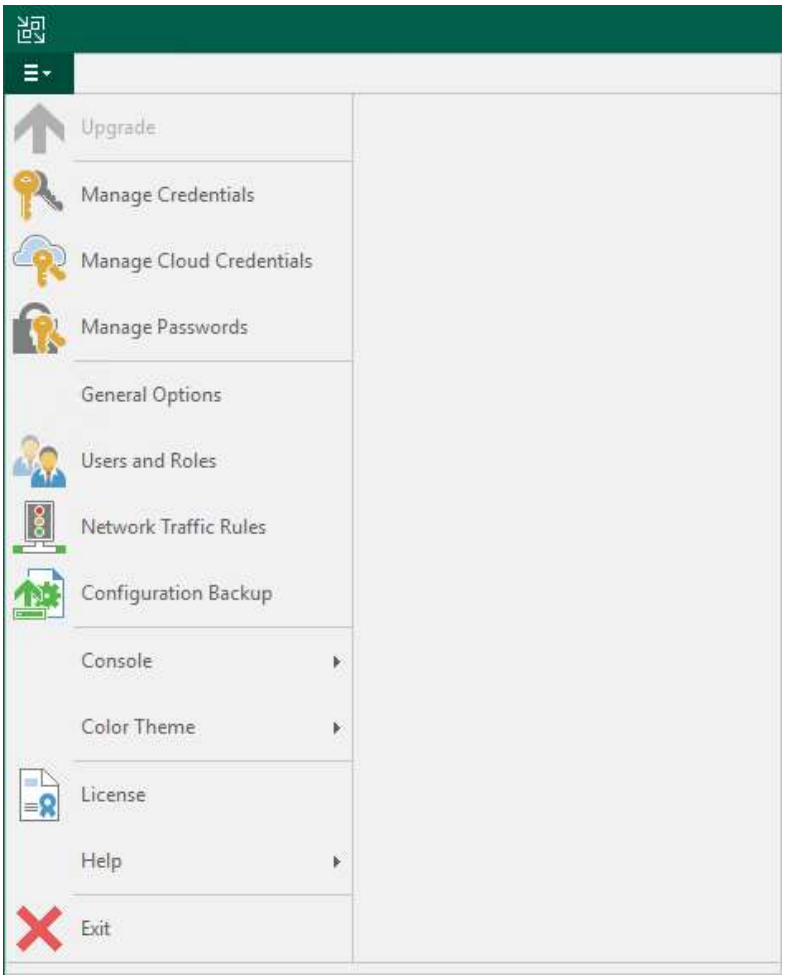
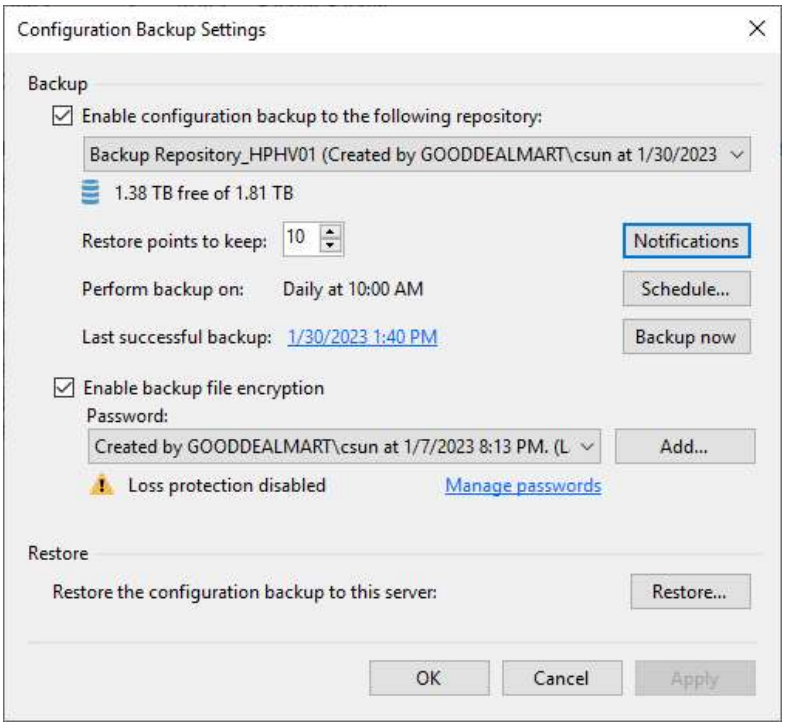
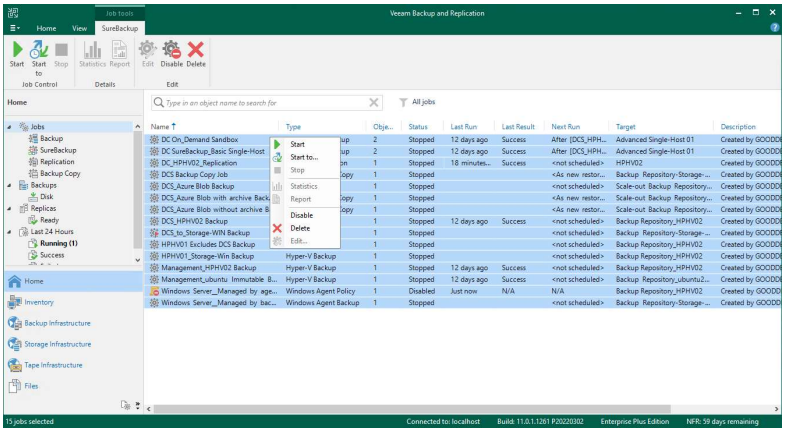
5. Drop down the main menu and select Configuration Backup.



6. On the Configuration Backup Settings page, select Backup now to back up the current configuration.
7. Click OK to close the Configuration Backup Settings after the backup is completed.



8. On the Home page, select Jobs.
9. Right-click jobs and select Disable to disable all jobs.



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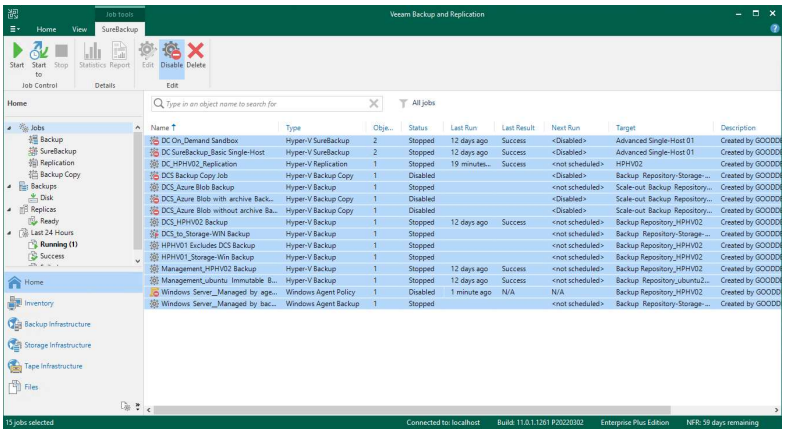
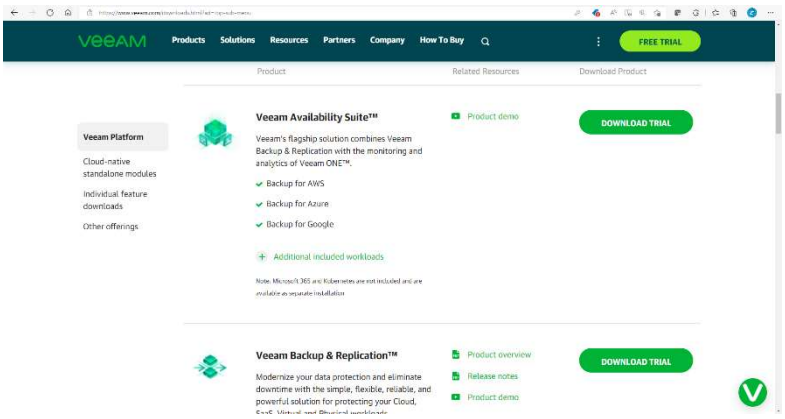
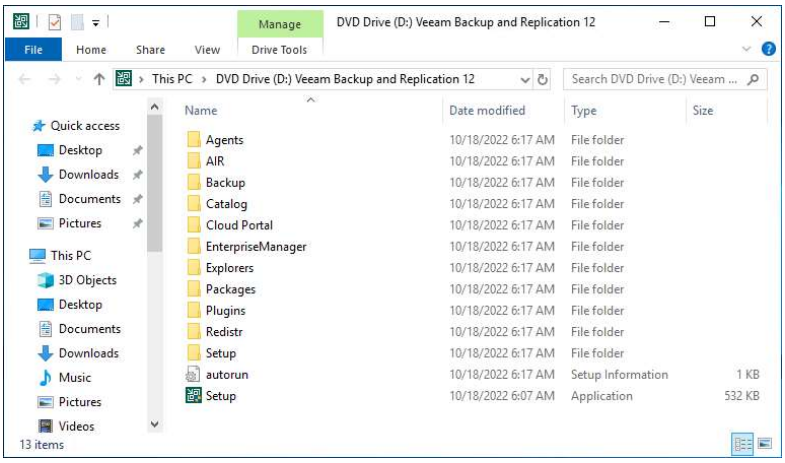
10. Make sure all jobs are disabled and close Veeam Backup & Replication Console.



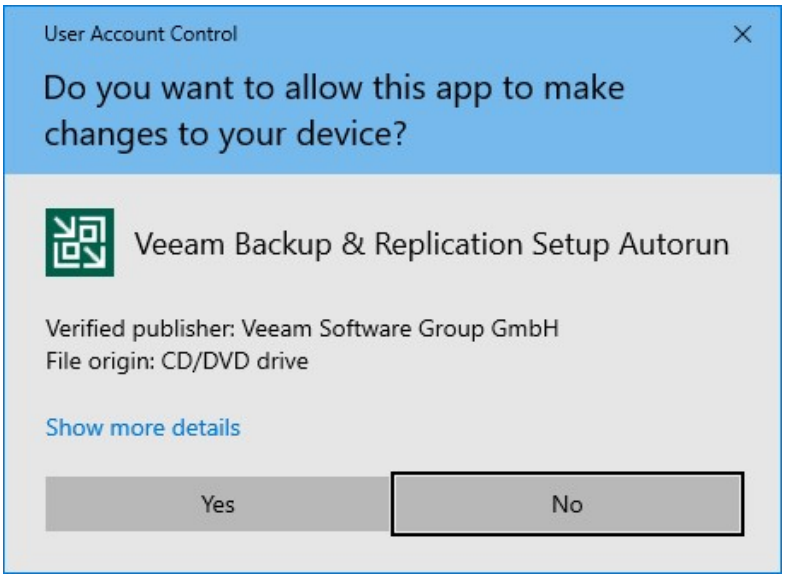
11. Download the Veeam Backup and Replication v12 iso image file from the Veeam website. (Sign-in required).



12. Mount the Veeam Backup & Replication v12 ISO image file.
13. Run Setup.exe.



14. On the User Account Control page, click Yes.



15. On the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 page, click Upgrade.

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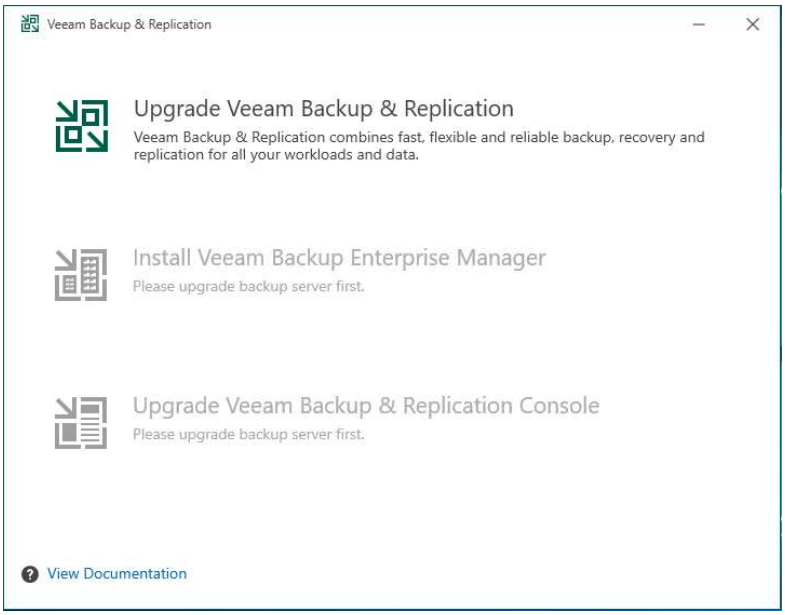
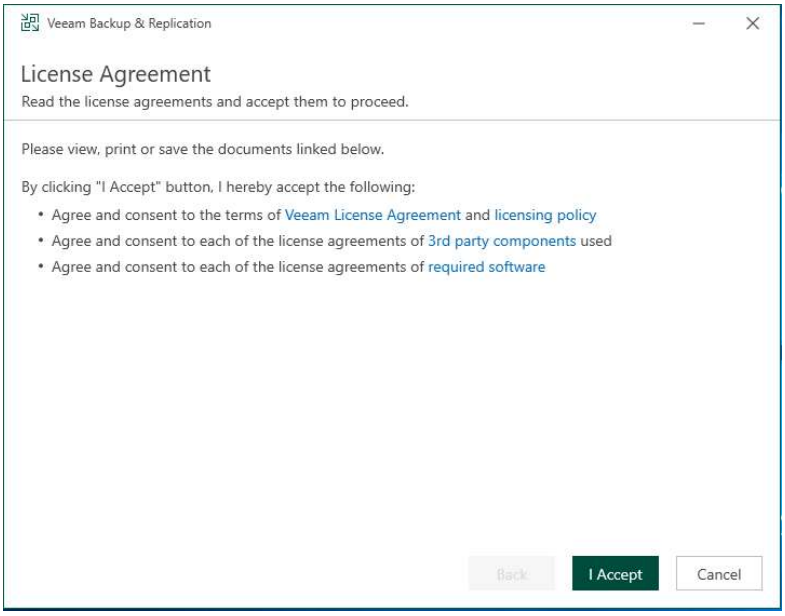
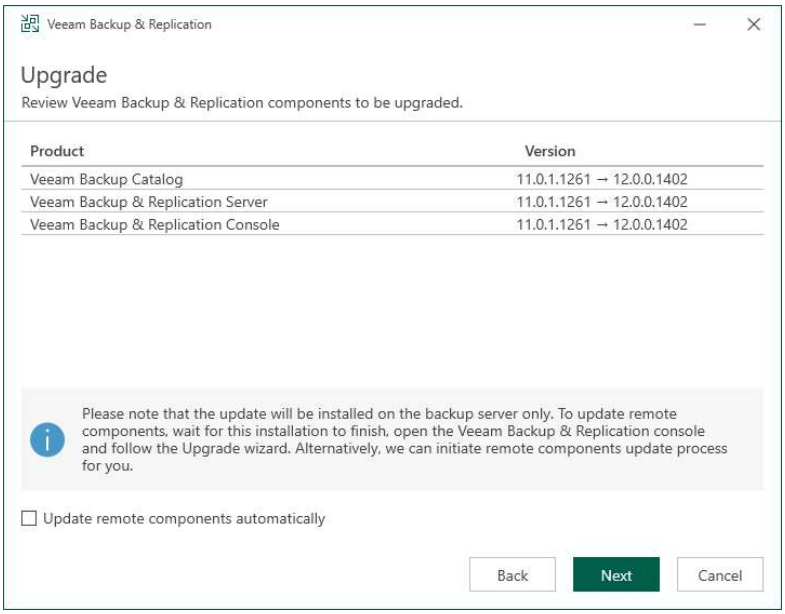
16. On the Veeam Backup & Replication page, select Upgrade Veeam Backup & Replication.



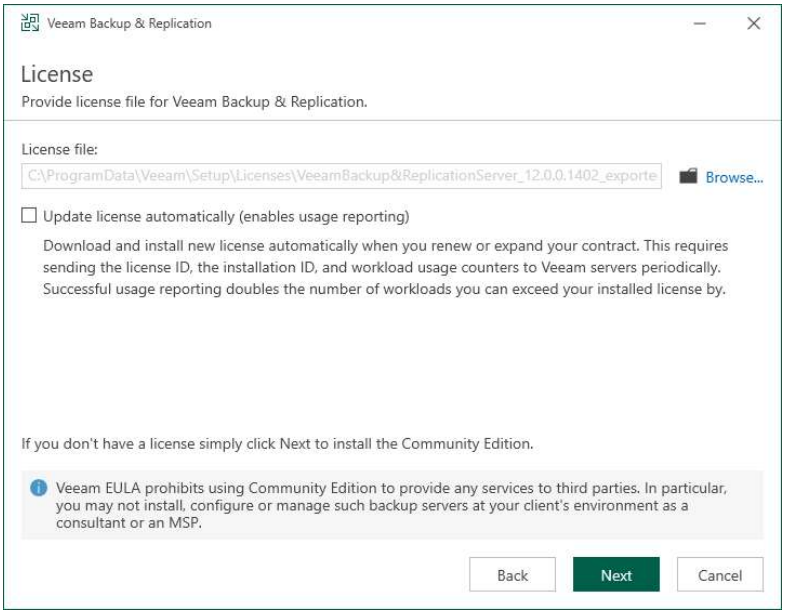
17. On the License Agreement page, click I Accept.



18. On the Upgrade page, click Next.



19. On the License page, click Browse.



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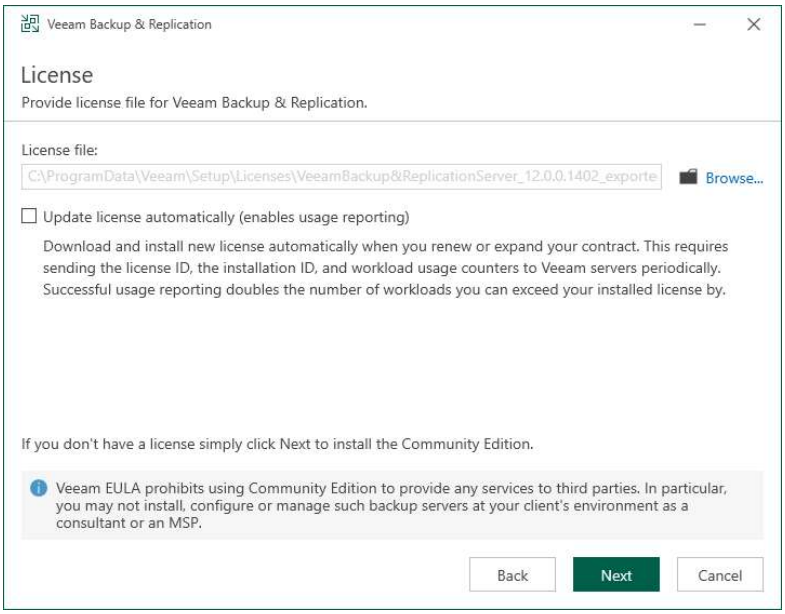
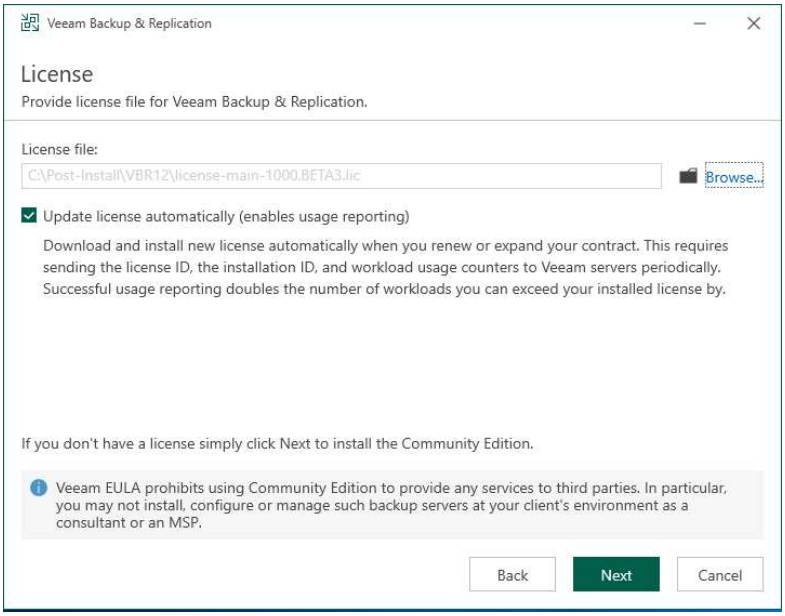
20. Select the Veeam Backup and Replication license file, and click Open.



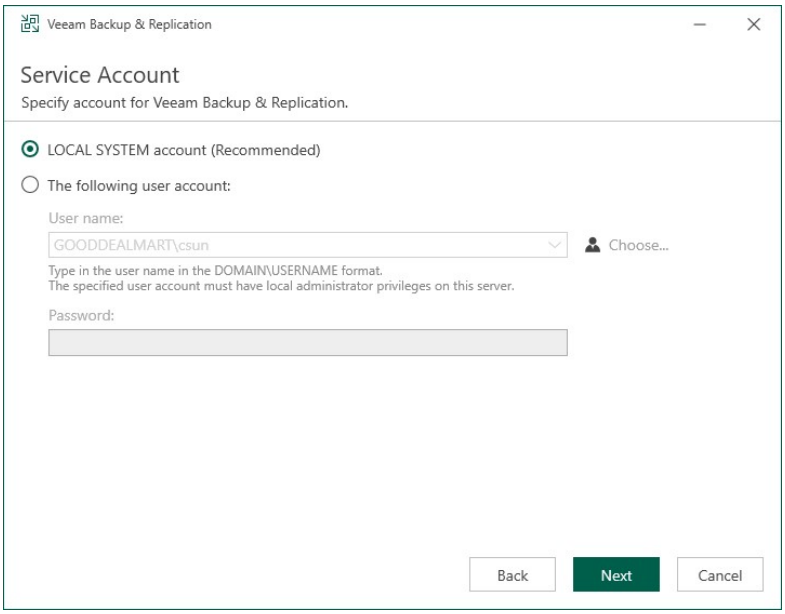
21. Select Update license automatically (enable usage reporting) on the License page and click Next.



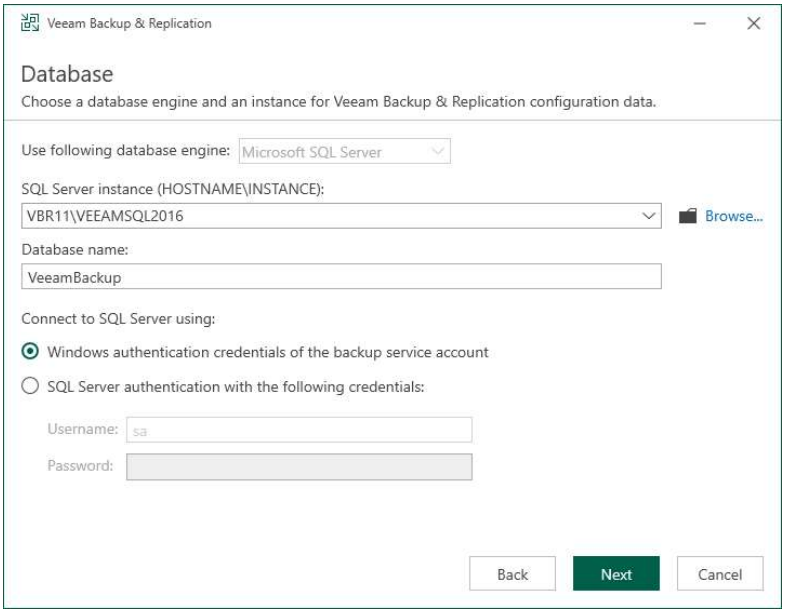
22. Select LOCAL SYSTEM account or specify another user account on the Service Account page and click Next.

Note:

If you would like to use the specified user account, the user account must be a member of the Administrators group on the Veeam Backup & Replication machine. Also, it must have db_owner rights for the configuration database.



23. On the Database page, click Next.



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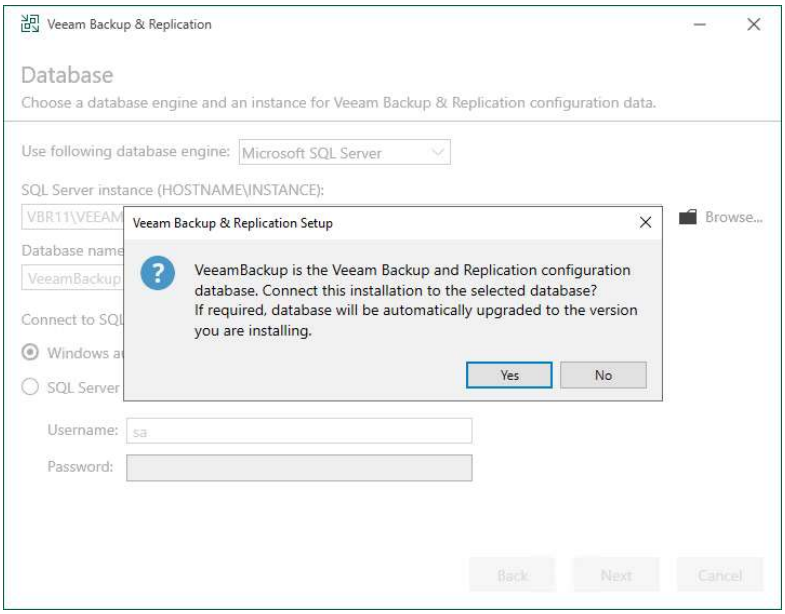
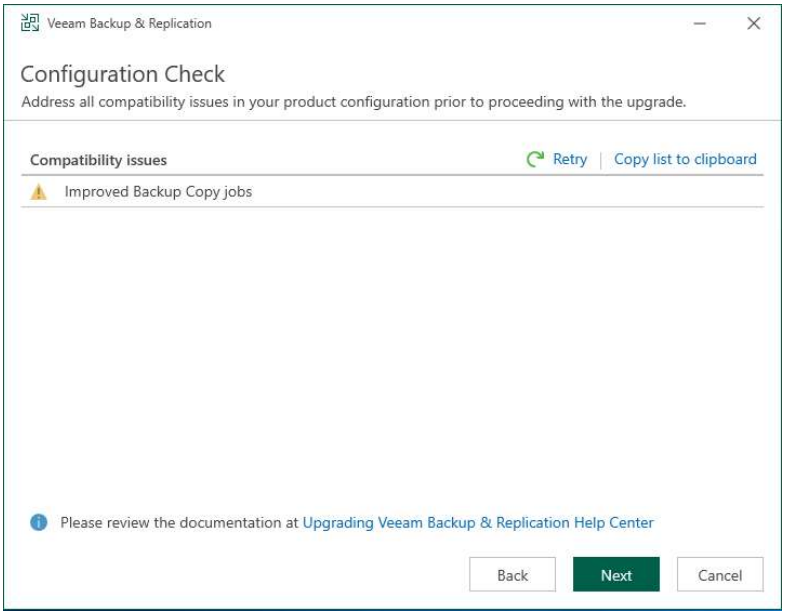
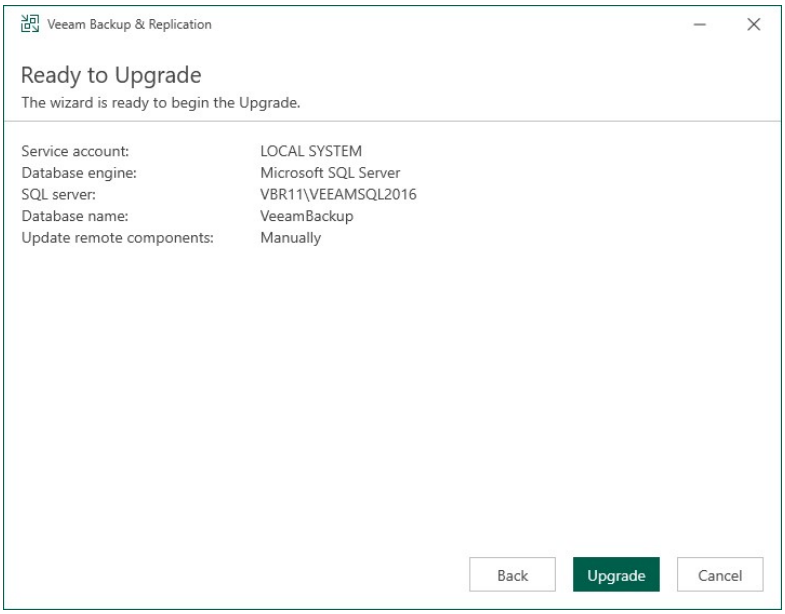
24. Click Yes on the question pop-up message. Veeam will automatically upgrade the database to the version you are installing.



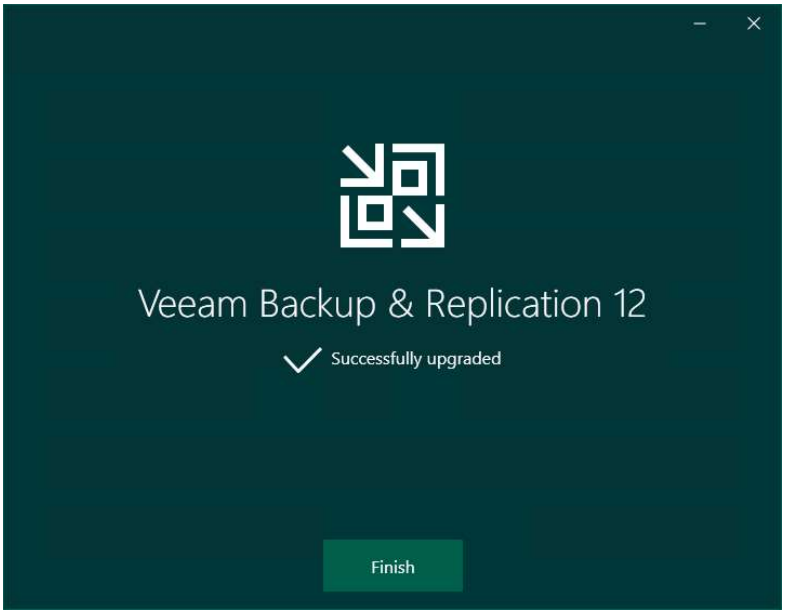
25. If the Configuration Check page returns errors, resolve them before upgrading. If the check produces warning or information messages, you can proceed with the upgrade and deal with them later.
26. Click Next.



27. On the Ready to Upgrade page, click Upgrade.



28. On the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 successfully upgraded page, click Finish.



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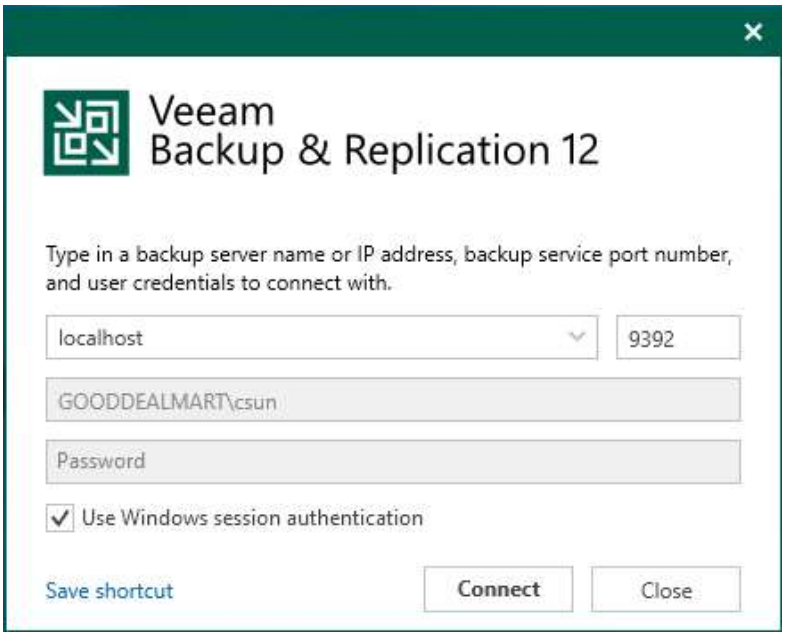
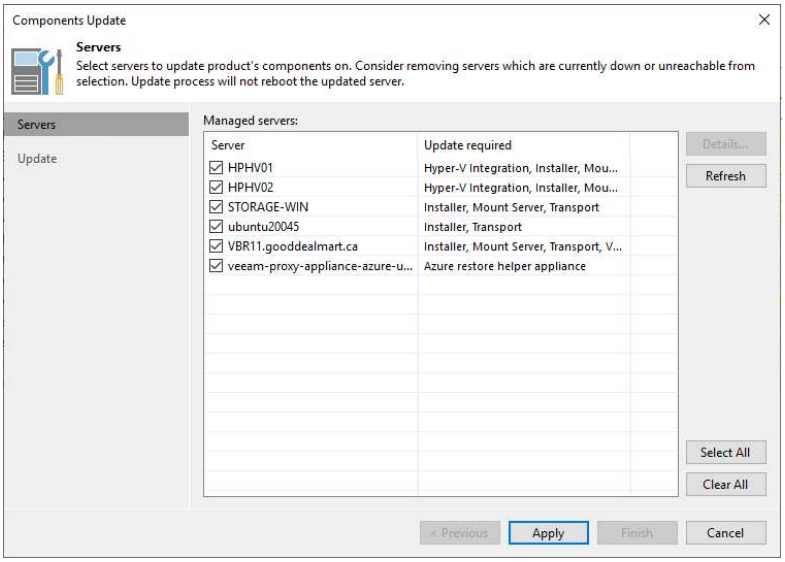
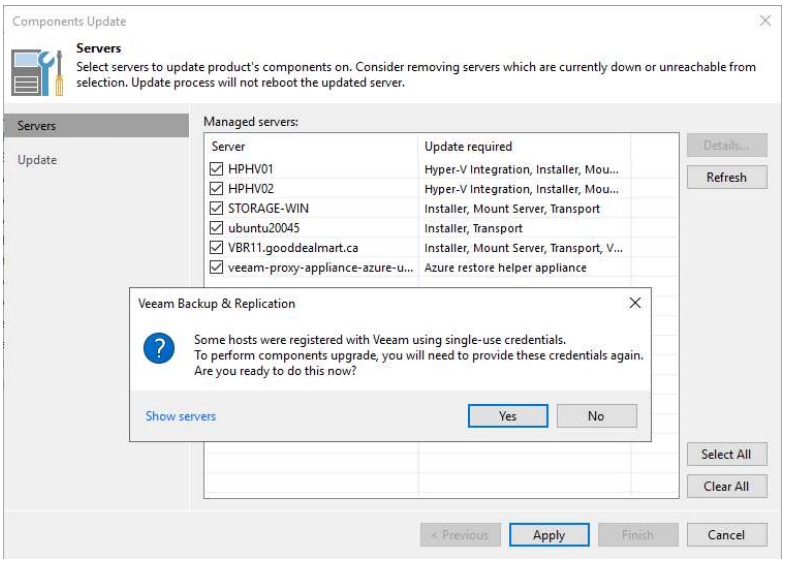
29. Open Veeam Backup & Replication management console and click Connect.



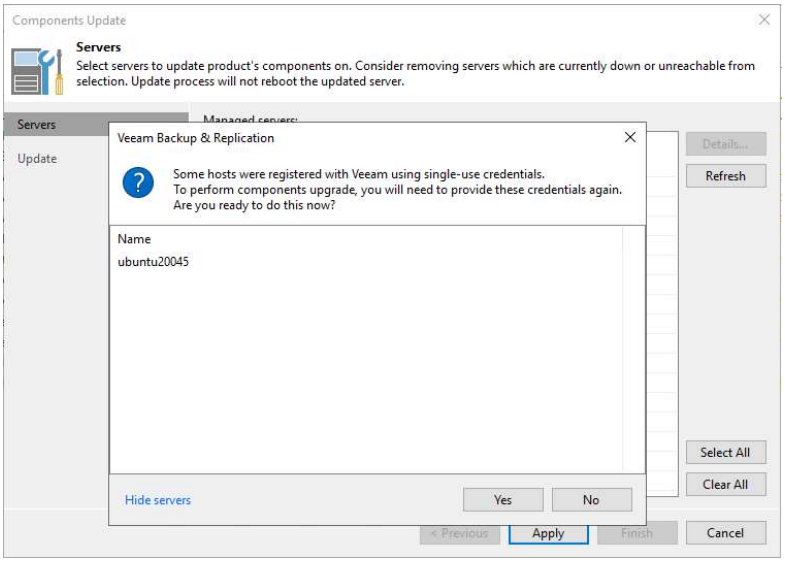
30. Select the all servers checkbox on the Components Update page and click Apply.



31. Click Show servers on the provide signal-use credentials question page.



32. Review the Server listing and click Yes.



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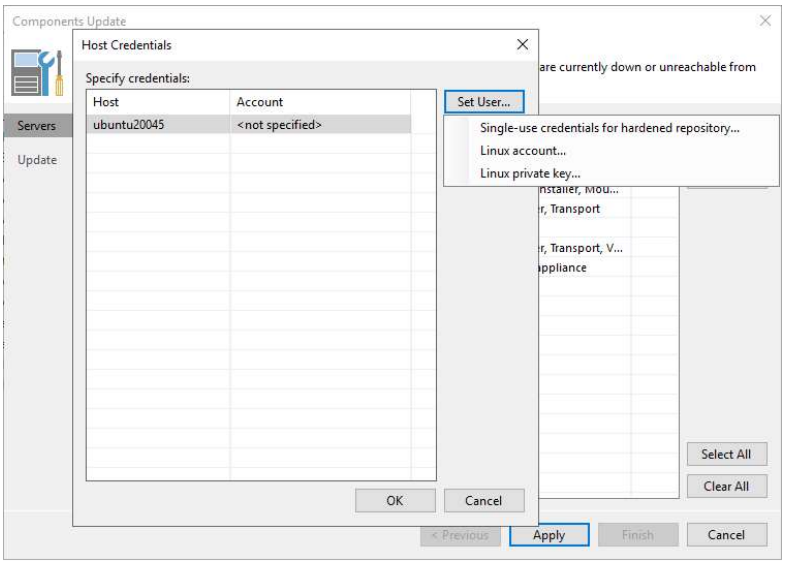
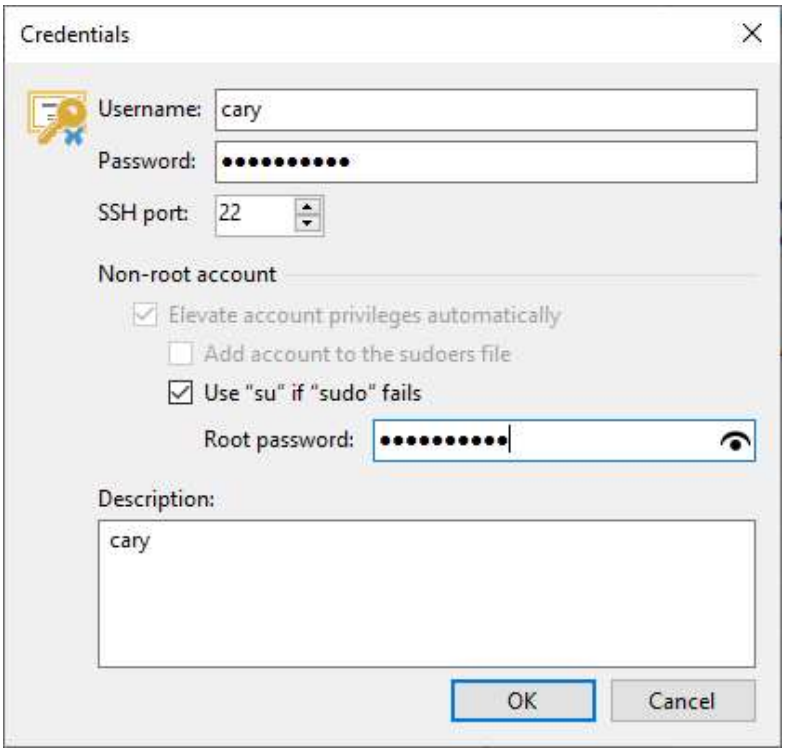
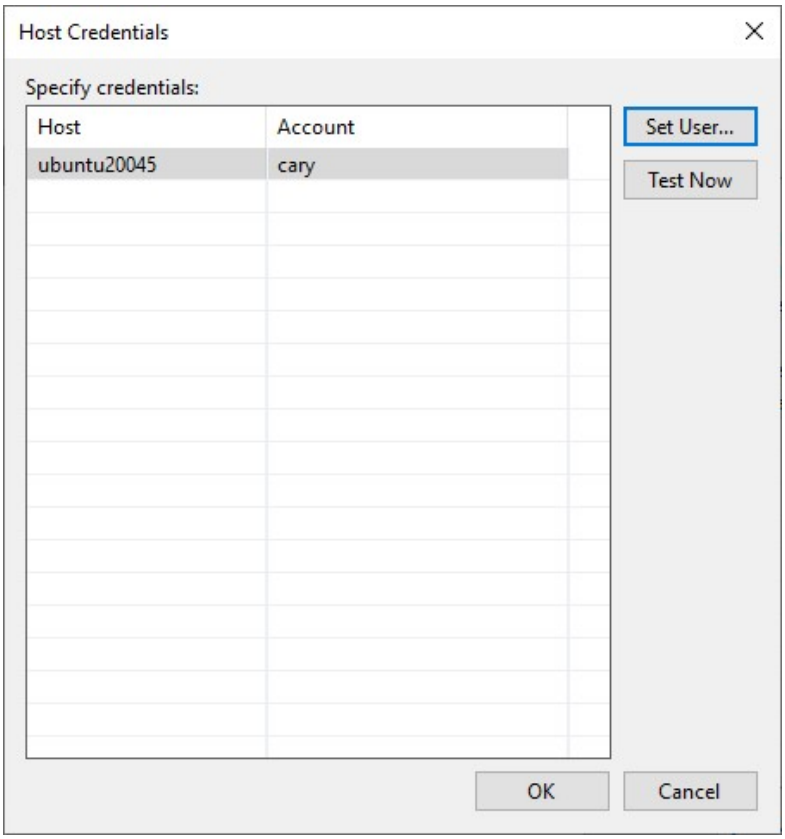
33. On the Host Credentials page, select the host, click Set User and select Singal-use credentials for the hardened repository.



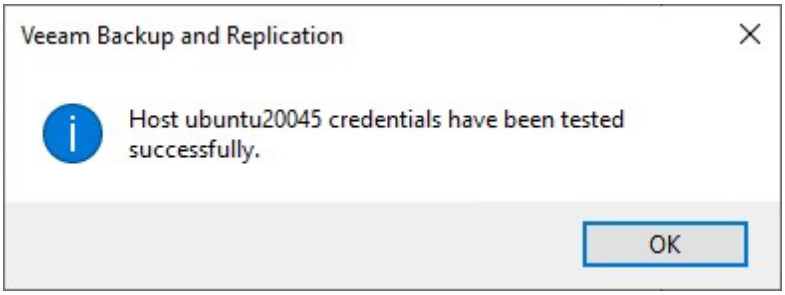
34. Enter your credential information and click OK.



35. Click Test Now on the Host Credentials page.



36. Ensure the credential has been tested successfully and click OK.



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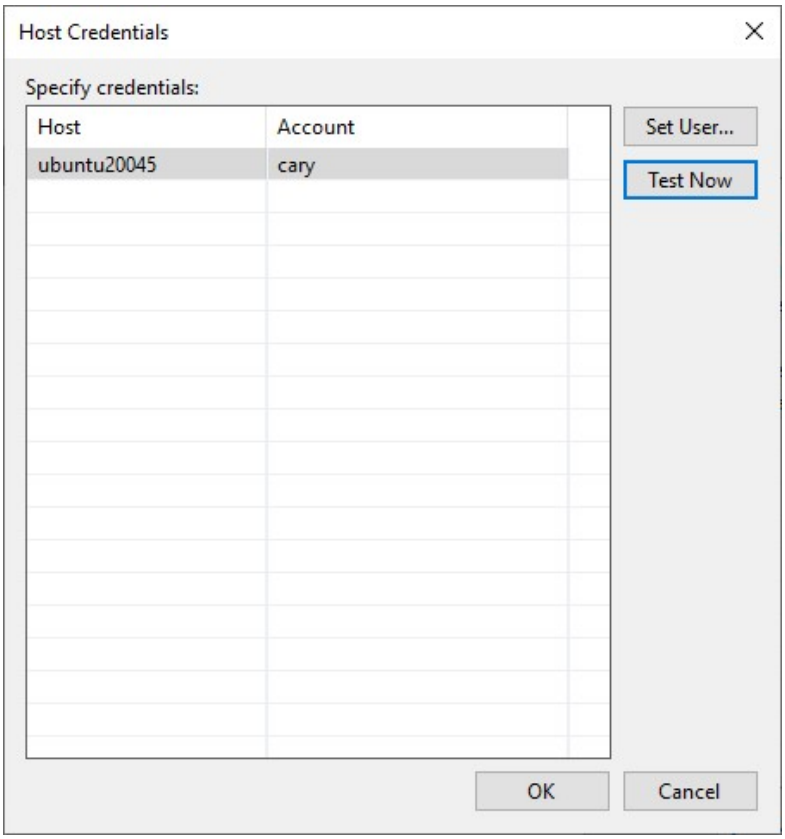
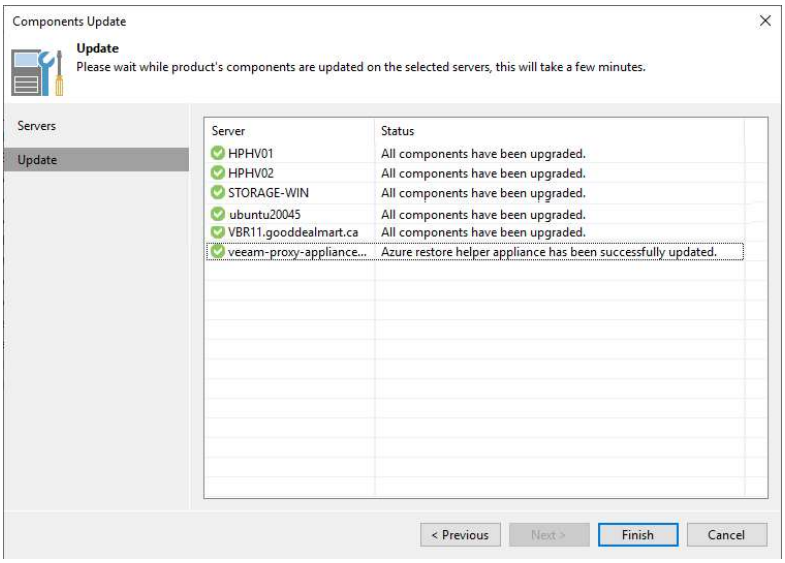
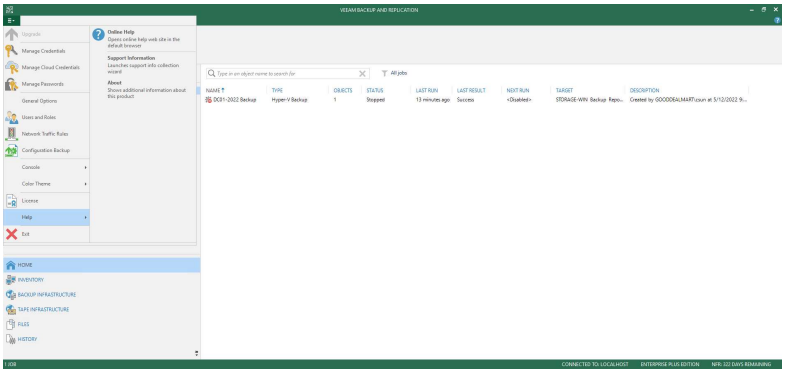
37. Click OK on the Host Credentials page.



38. Ensure the components update successfully for selected servers and click Finish.



39. Drop down the main menu, select Help, and click About to check Veeam Backup & Replication version.



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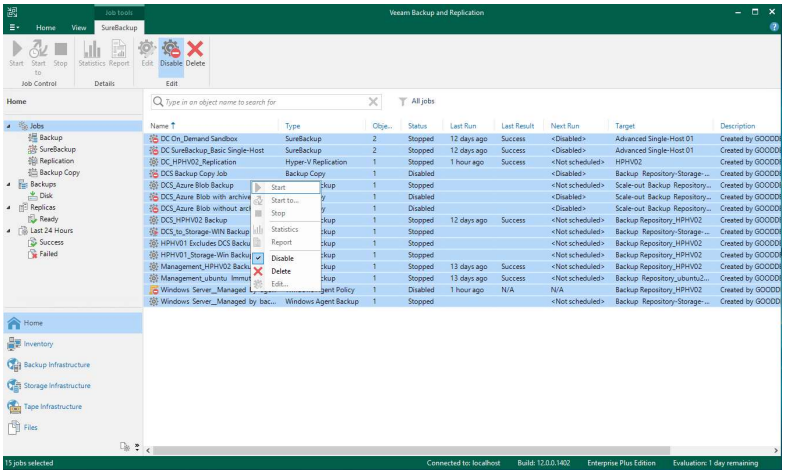
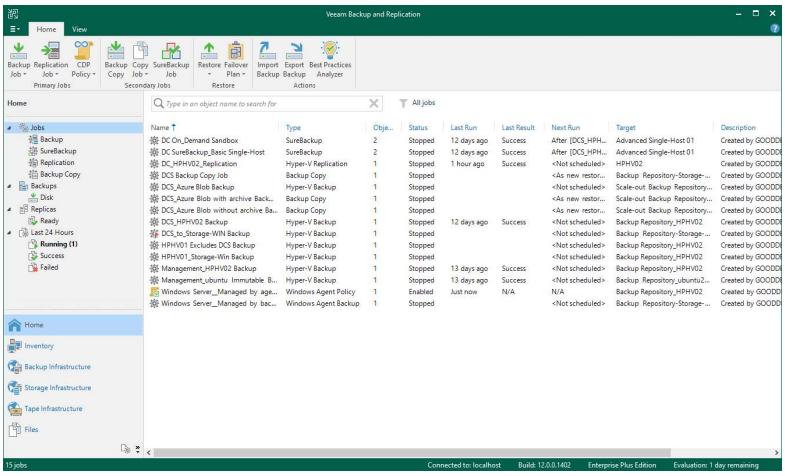
40. Ensure the existing Veeam Backup and Replication version is upgraded.

41. On the Home page, select Jobs.
42. Right-click jobs and unselect Disable to enable all jobs.



43. Ensure all jobs are enabled.



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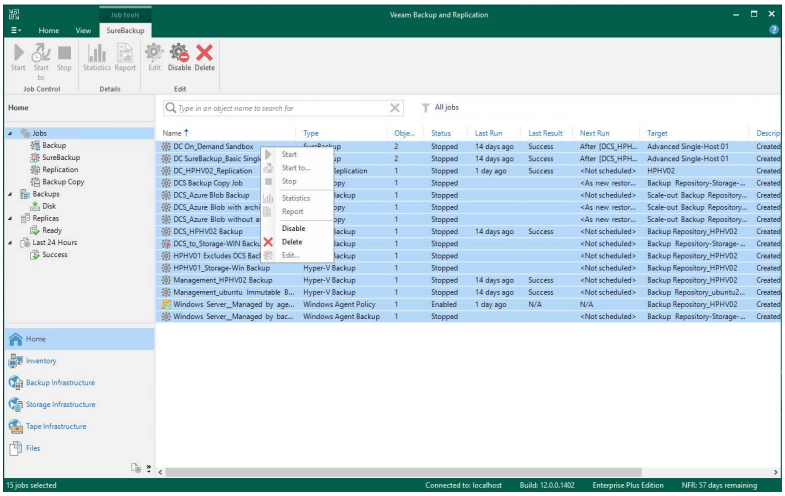
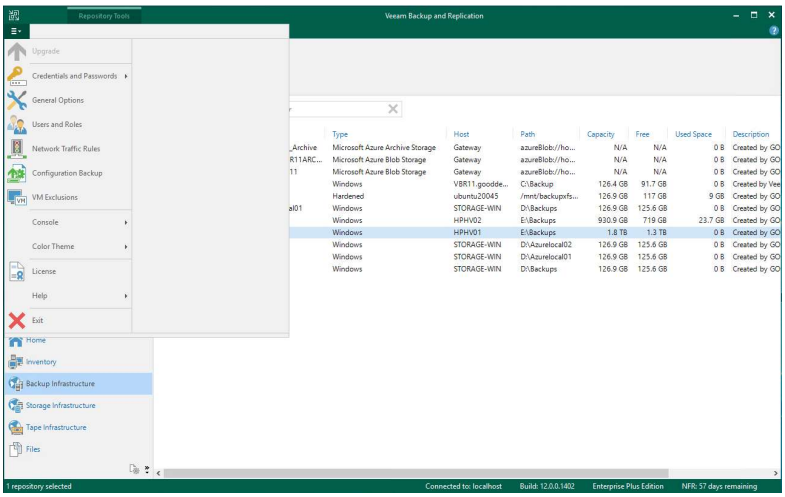
Migrate the Existing Veeam Backup and Replication to the new server with PostgreSQL

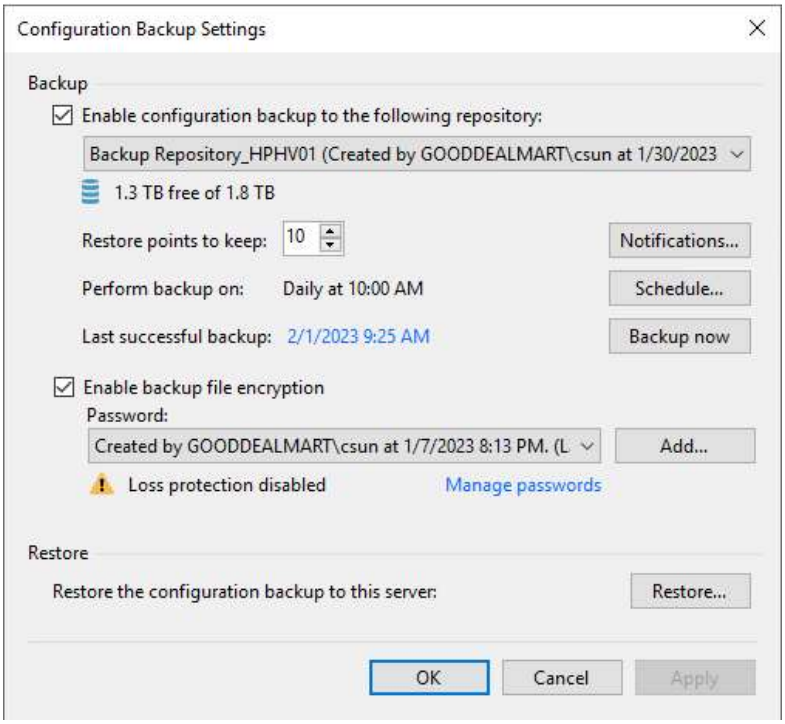
PostgreSQL is free and has no size limit or compute restrictions has improved performance over SQL Express.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the existing Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console. 3. Select and right-click all jobs. 4. Select Disable.	

5. Drop down the main menu and select Configuration Backup.



6. Click Backup now on the Configuration Backup Settings page.



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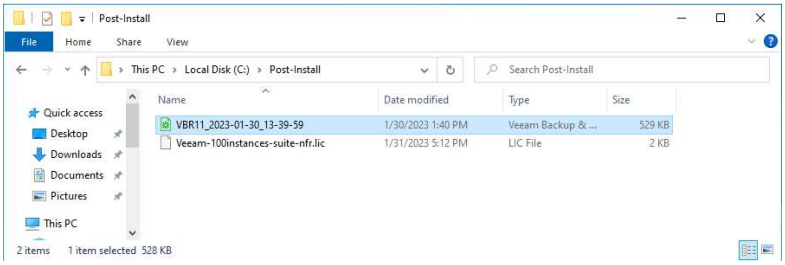
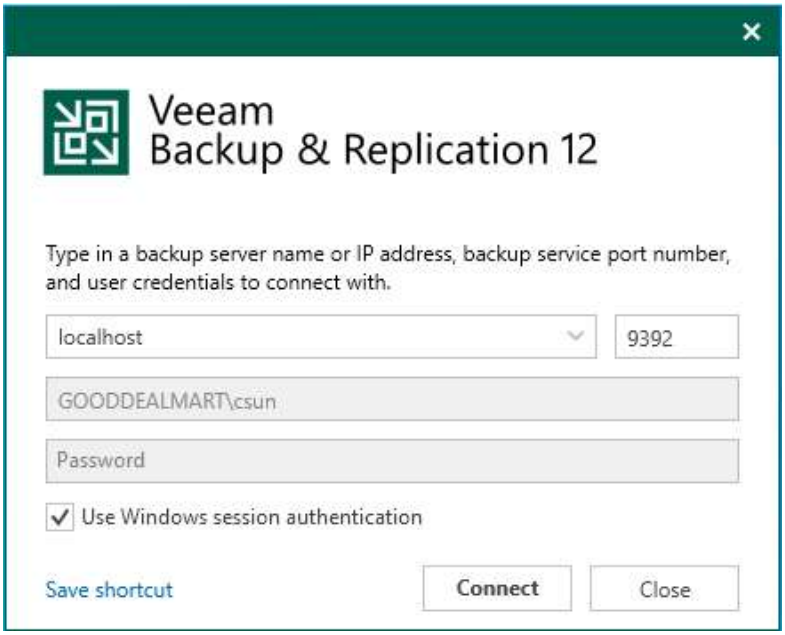
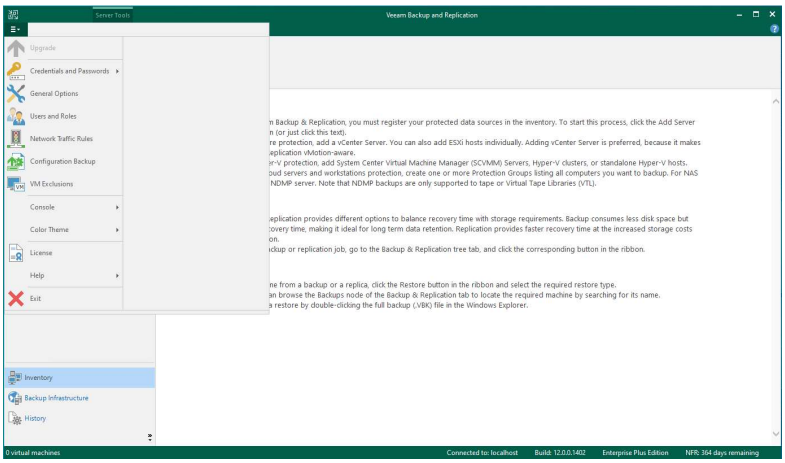
7. Copy the configuration file from the backup repository to the new Backup and Replication manager server.



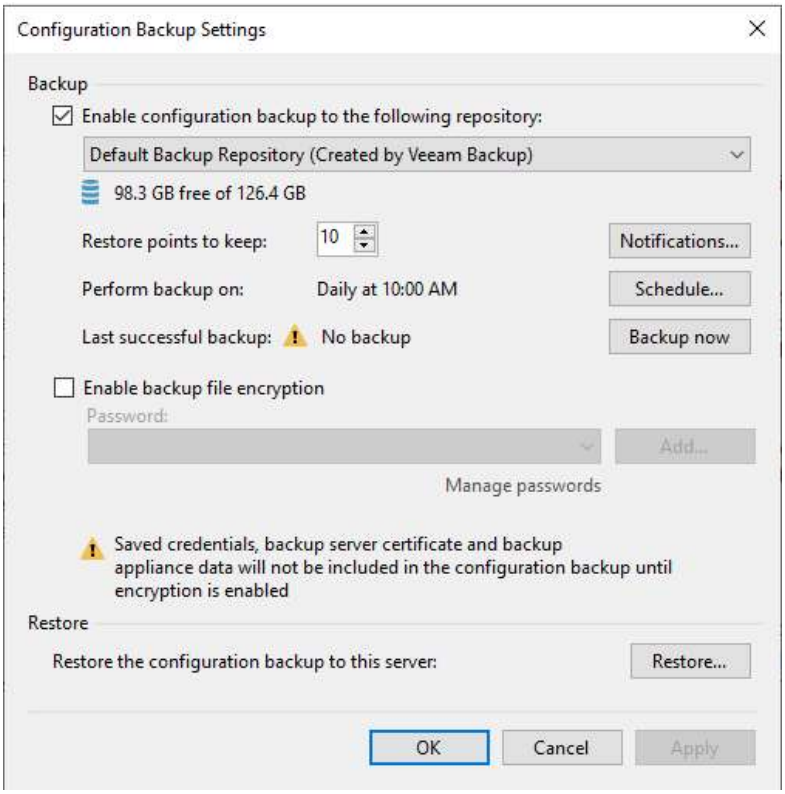
8. Log in to the new Veeam Backup and Replication manager server.
9. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.



10. Drop down the main menu and select Configuration Backup.



11. Click Restore on the Configuration Backup Settings page.



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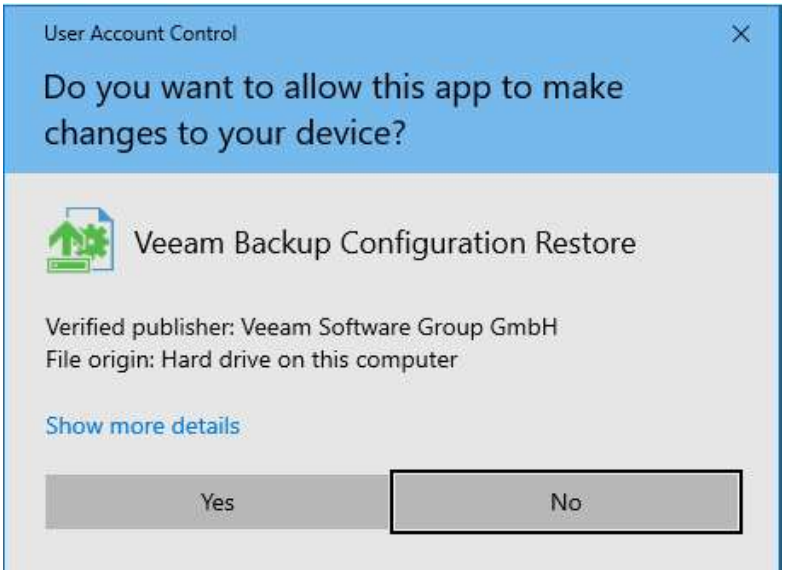
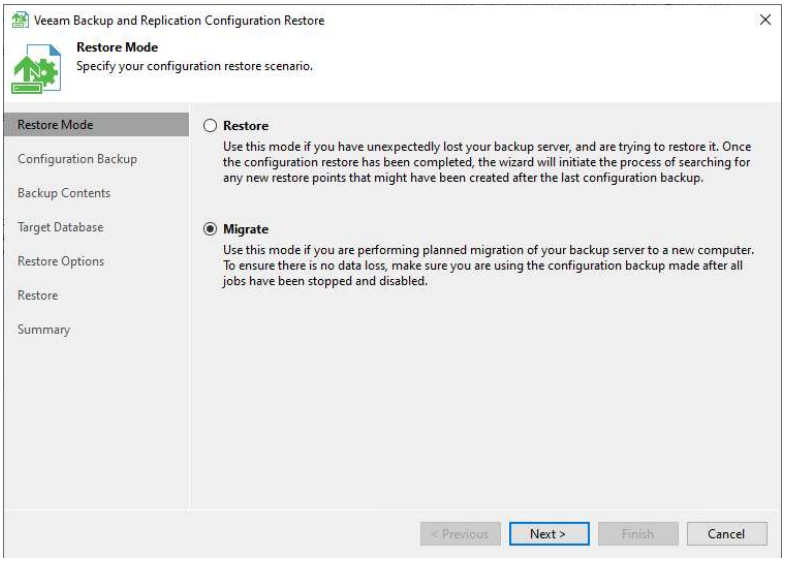
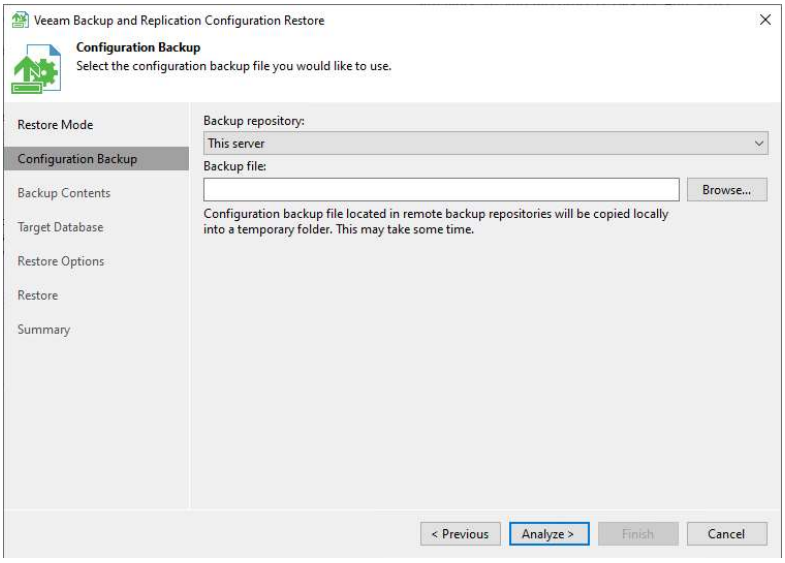
12. Click Yes on the User Account Control page.



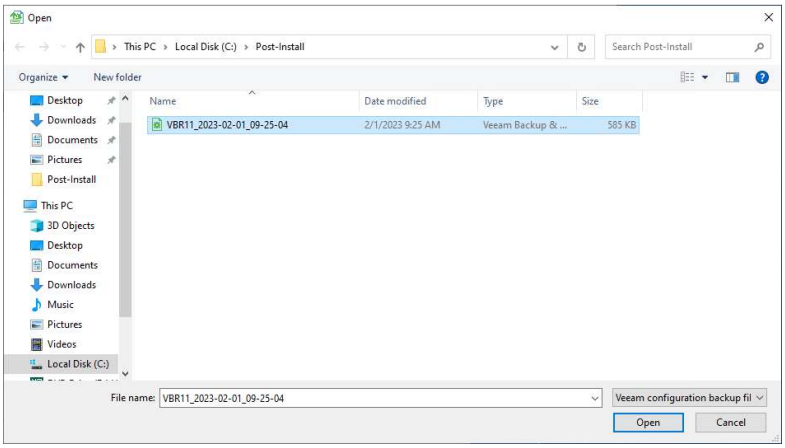
13. Select Migrate on the Restore Mode page.



14. Select this server in the Backup repository field on the Configuration Backup page.
15. Click Browse in the Backup file field.



16. Select the backup configuration file and click Open.



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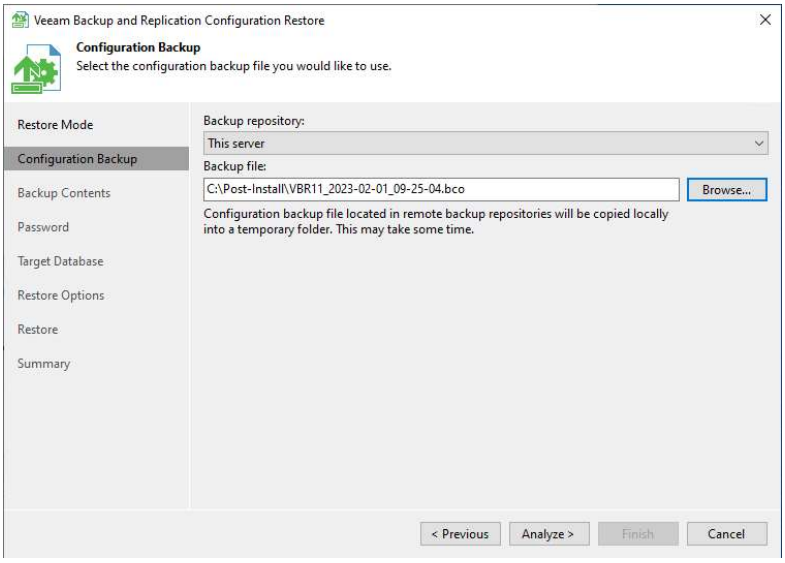
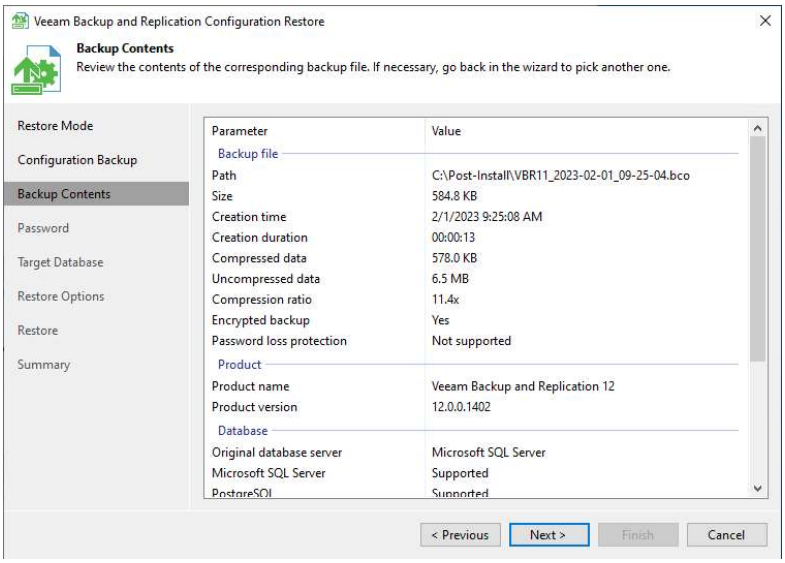
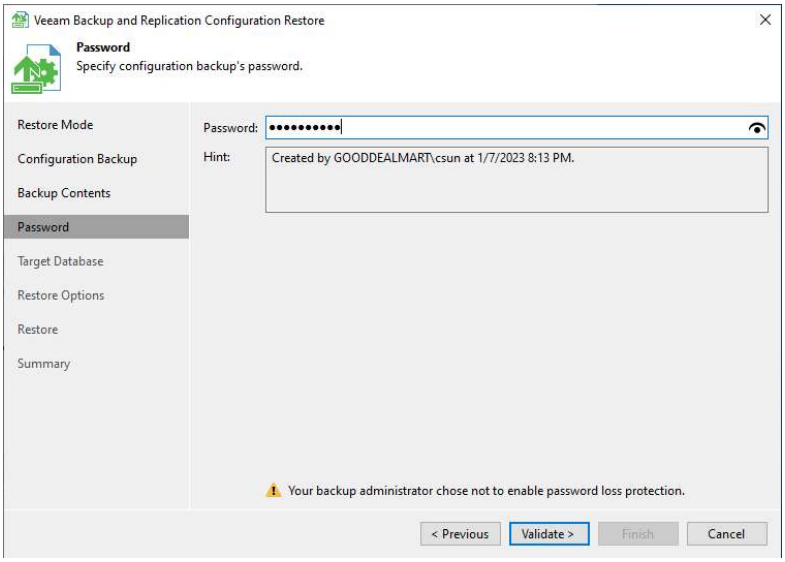
17. Click Analyze on the Configuration Backup page.



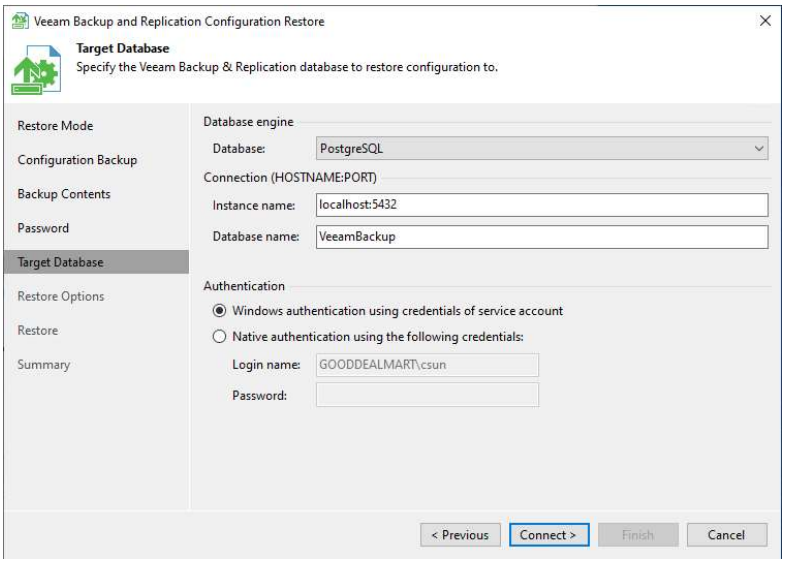
18. Click Next on the Backup Contents page.



19. On the Password page, enter the password of the configuration file in the Password field.
20. Enter the description in the Hint field.
21. Click Validate.



22. Select PostgreSQL from the Database drop-down list on the Target Database page.
23. Enter the instance name and Database name in the Connection session.
24. Select Windows authentication using the service account credentials in the Authentication session.



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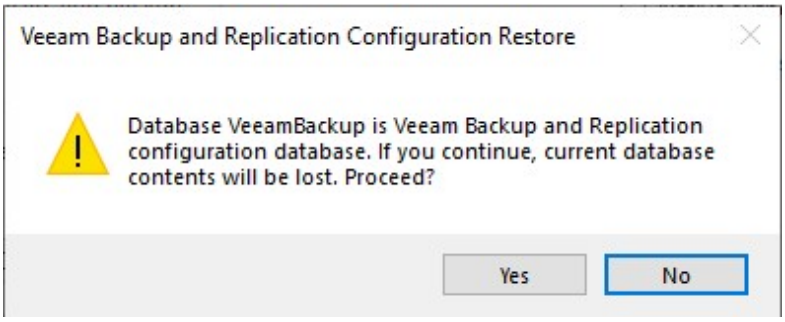
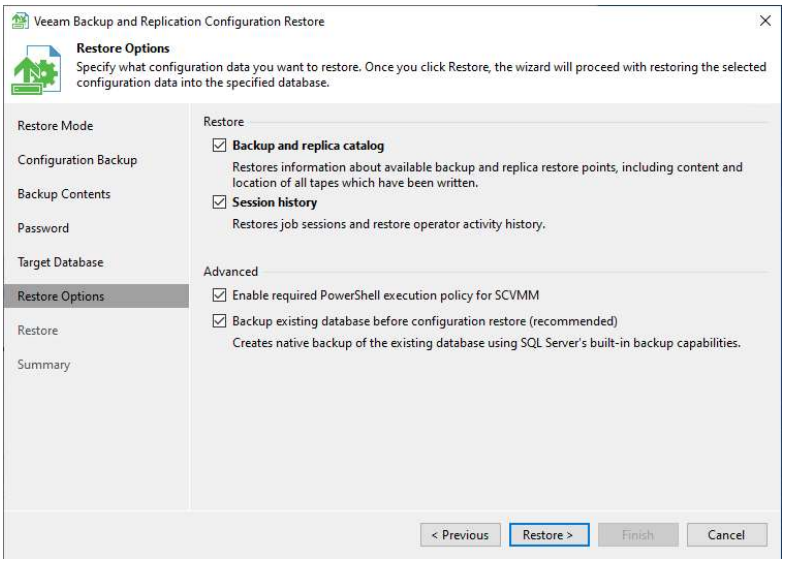
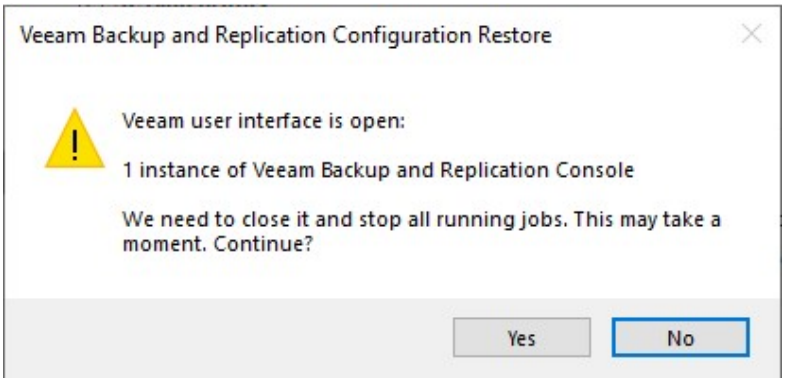
25. Click Yes on the warning message.



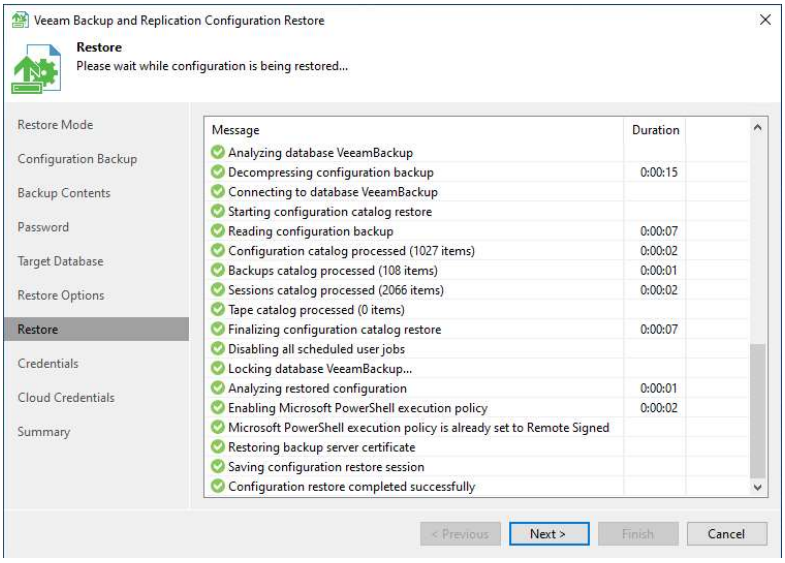
26. Select the Backup and replica catalog checkbox on the Restore Options page.
27. Select the Session history checkbox.
28. Select Enable required PowerShell execution policy for SCVMM checkbox.
29. Select Backup existing database before configuration restore (recommended).
30. Click Restore.



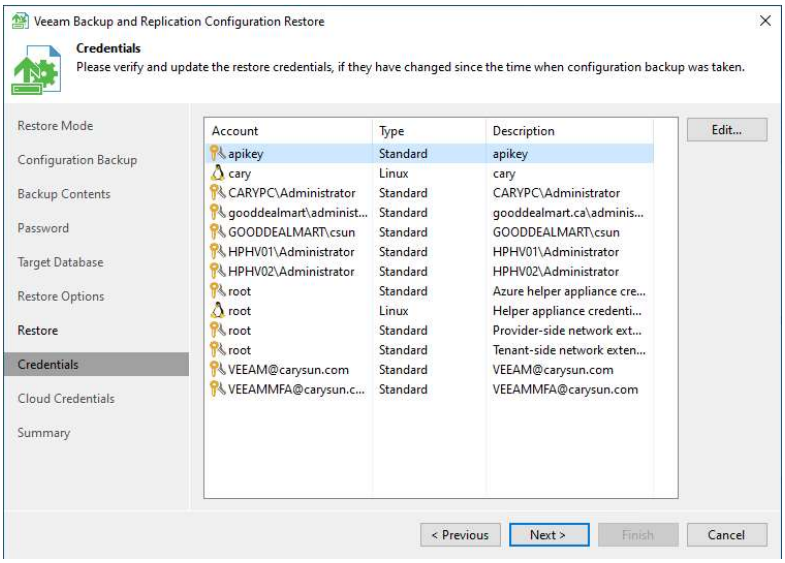
31. Click Yes on the close console and stop all running jobs warning messages.



32. On the Restore page, ensure the Configuration restore is completed successfully and click Next.



33. On the Credentials page, ensure all credentials are up-to-date and click Next.



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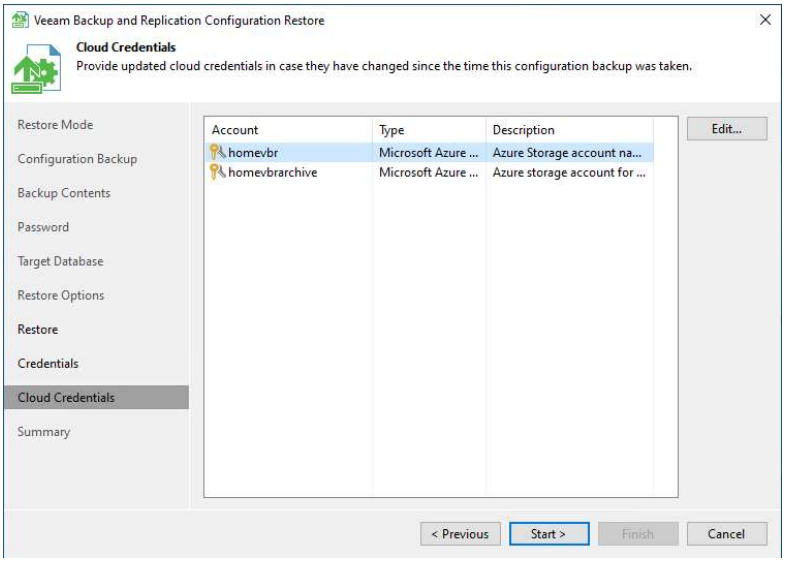
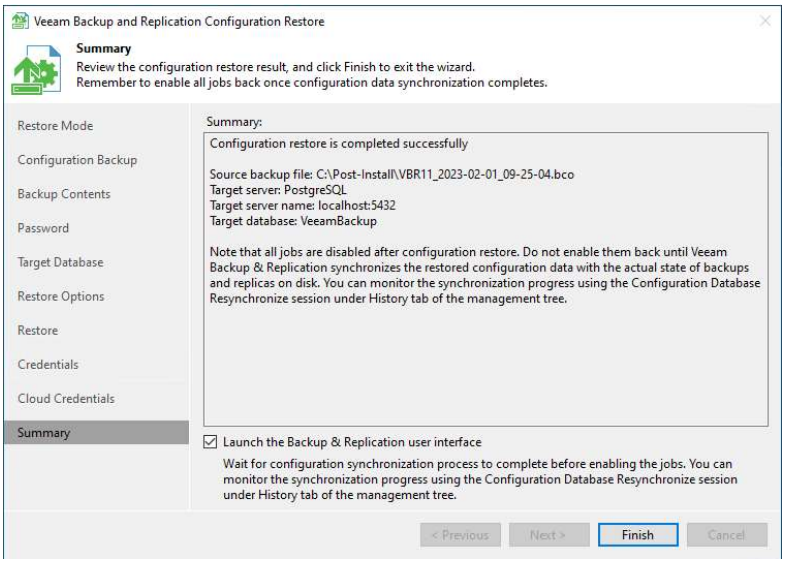
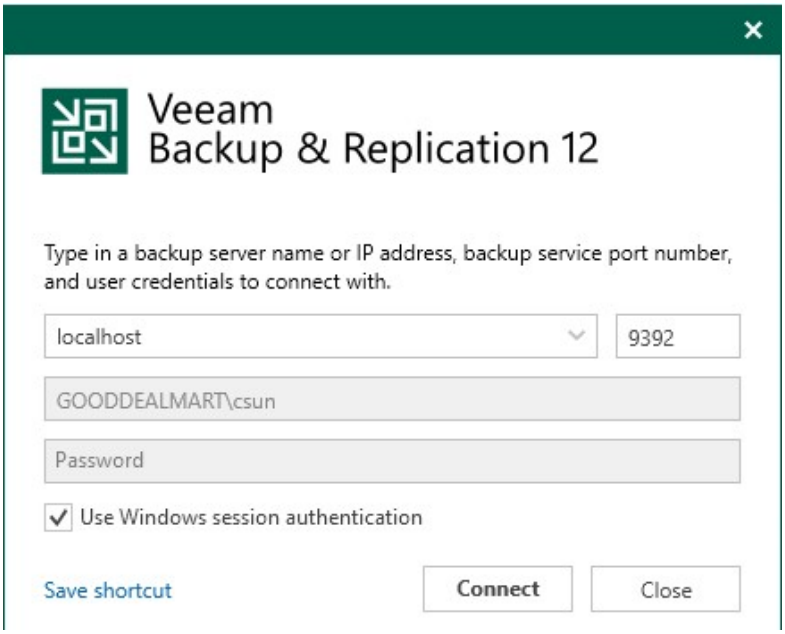
34. Ensure all credentials are up-to-date on the Cloud Credentials page and click Start.



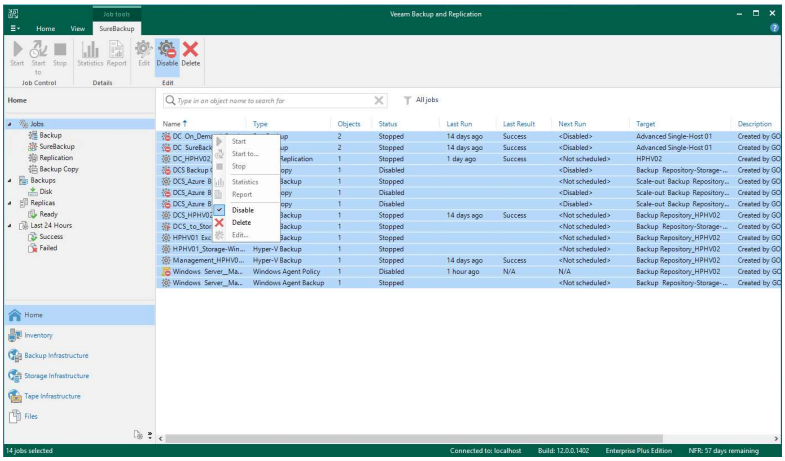
35. Click Finish on the Summary page.



36. Open Veeam Backup & Replication console and click Connect.



37. Select and right-click all jobs, and unselect Disable to enable all jobs.



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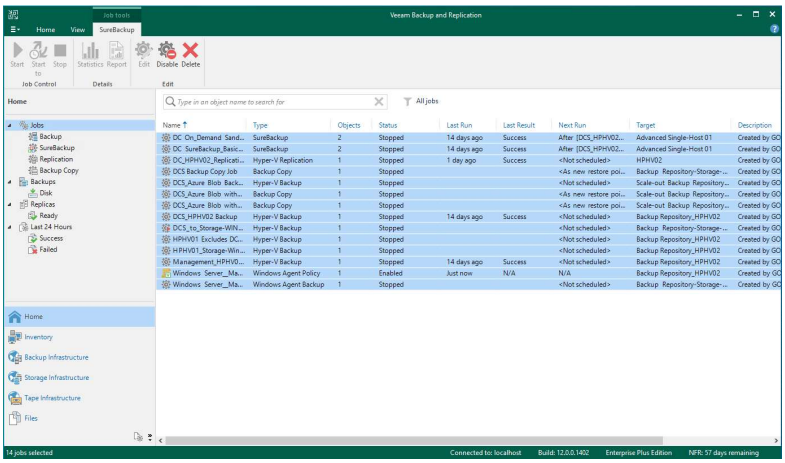
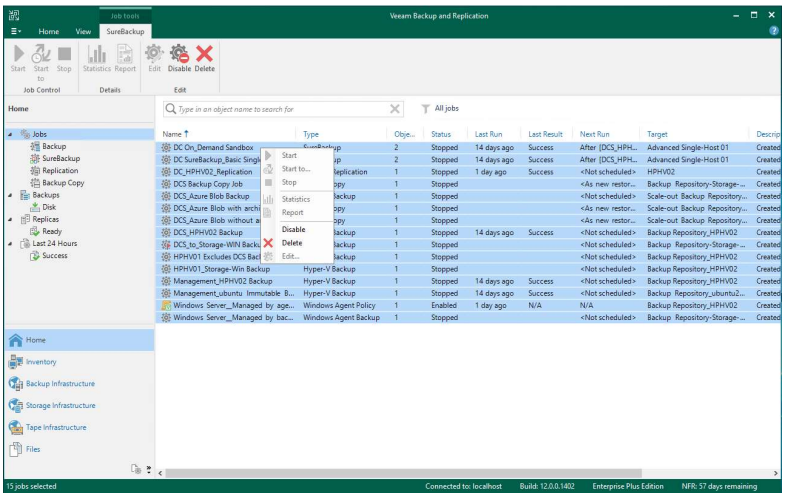
38. Ensure all jobs are re-enabled.



Migrate the Existing Veeam Backup and Replication to the new server with Microsoft SQL

Microsoft SQL Server (or Express), either locally on the backup manager server or remotely. Microsoft SQL Server Express has a configuration data storage limit of 10 GB. The Express Edition is sufficient for the evaluation and small environments (500 VMs).

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the existing Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console. 3. Select and right-click all jobs. 4. Select Disable.	

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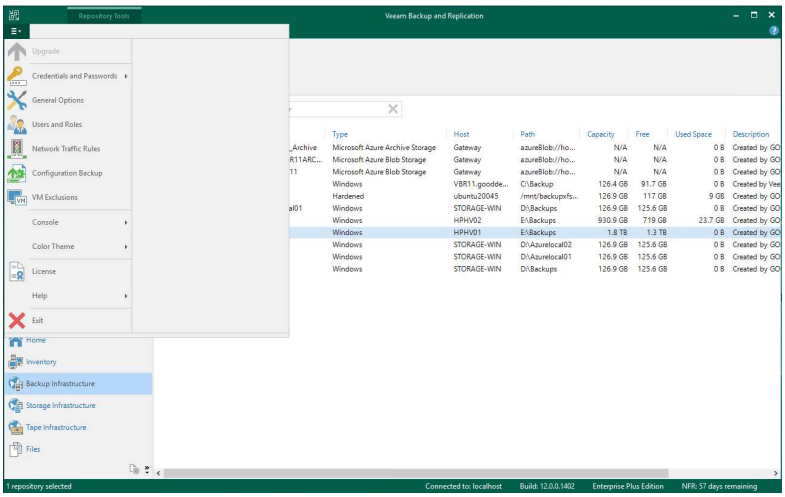
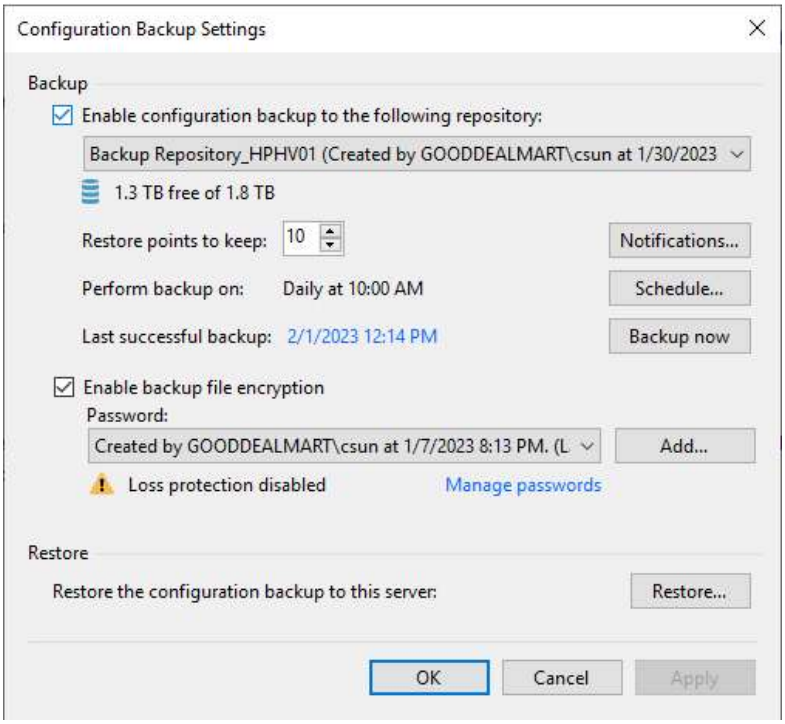
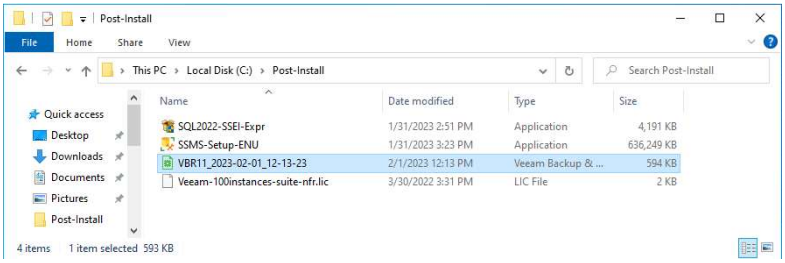
5. Drop down the main menu and select Configuration Backup.



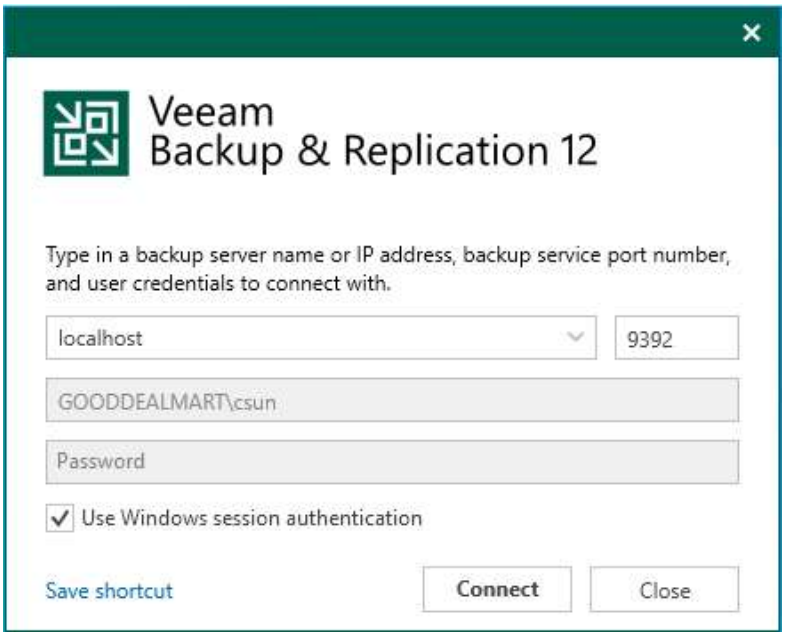
6. Click Backup now on the Configuration Backup Settings page.



7. Copy the configuration file from the backup repository to the new Backup and Replication manager server.



8. Log in to the new Veeam Backup and Replication manager server.
9. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.



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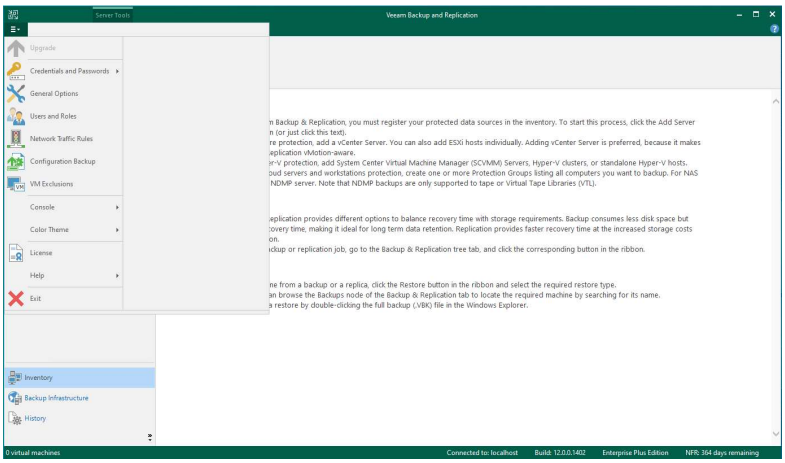
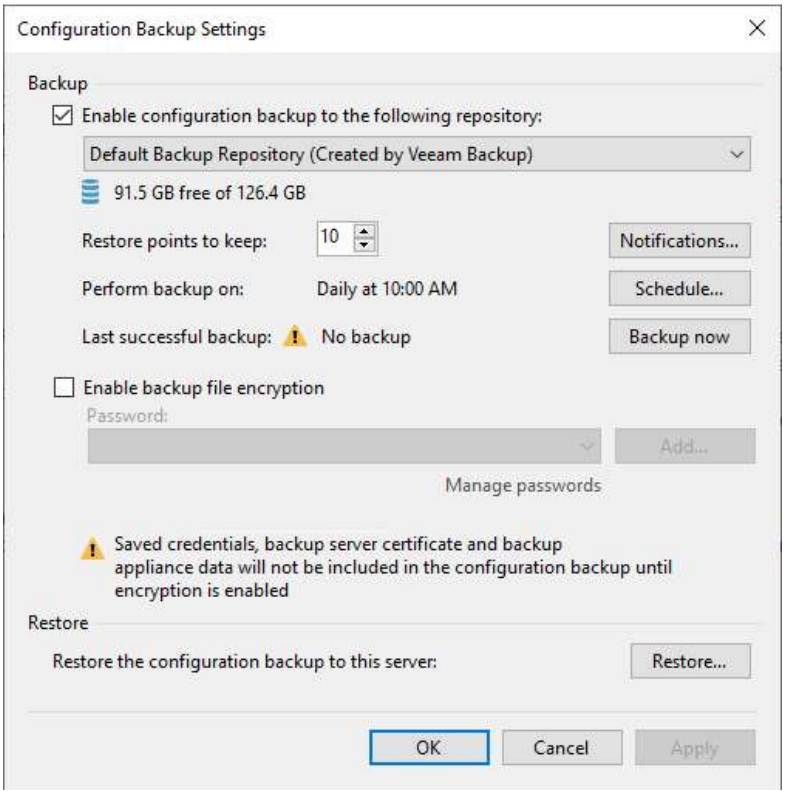
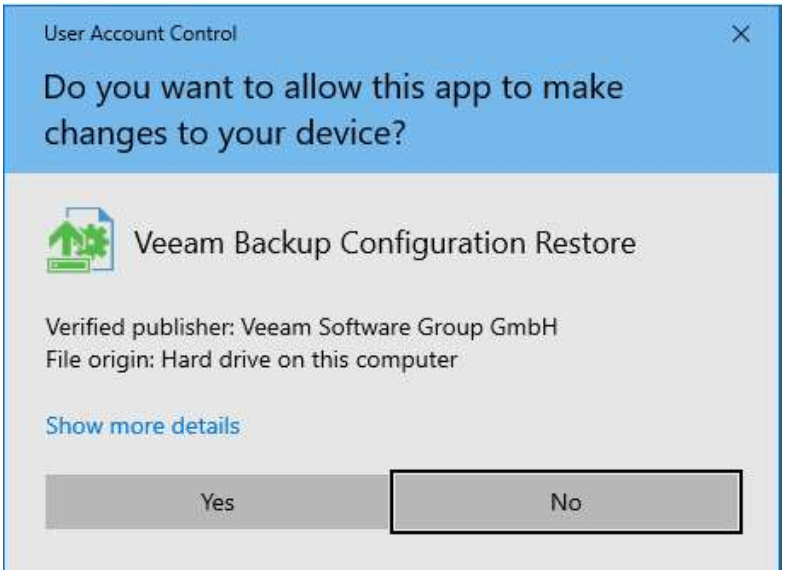
10. Drop down the main menu and select Configuration Backup.



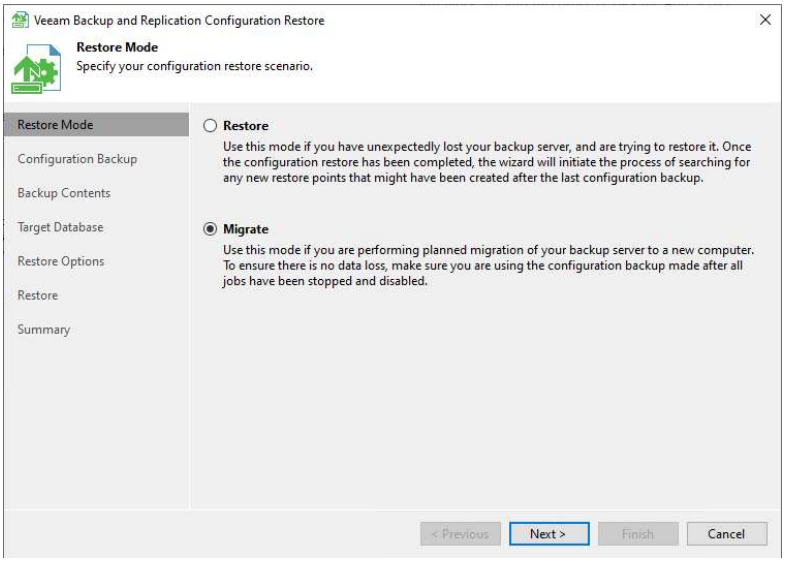
11. Click Restore on the Configuration Backup Settings page.



12. Click Yes on the User Account Control page.



13. Select Migrate on the Restore Mode page.



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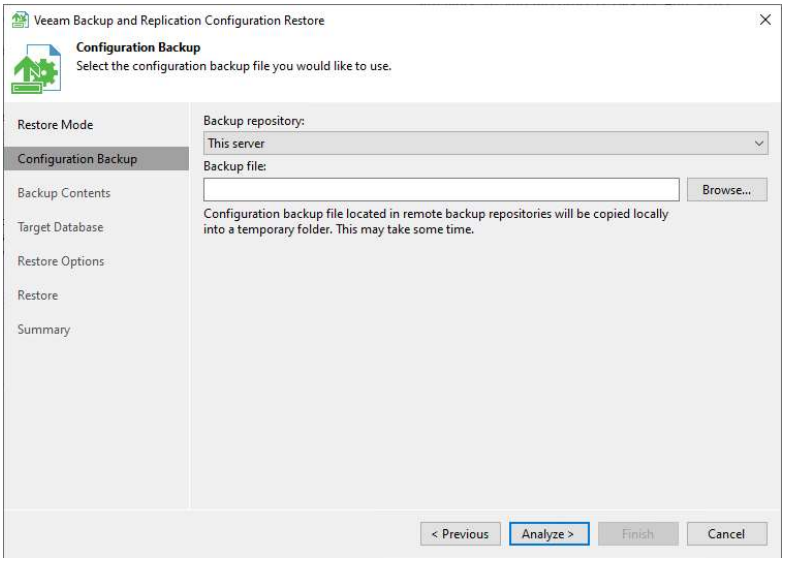
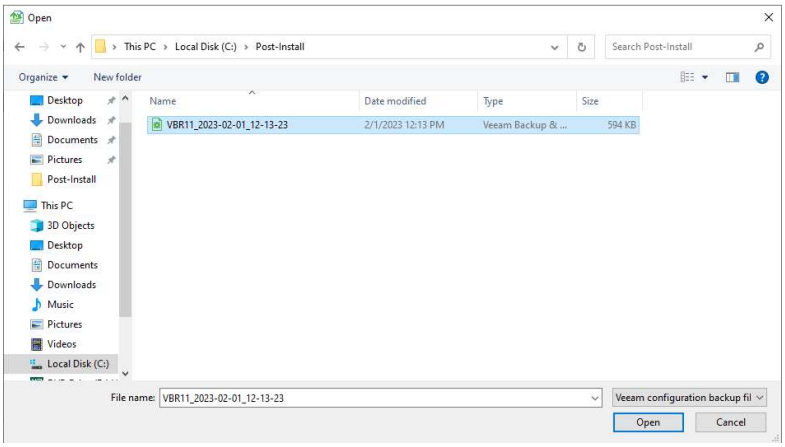
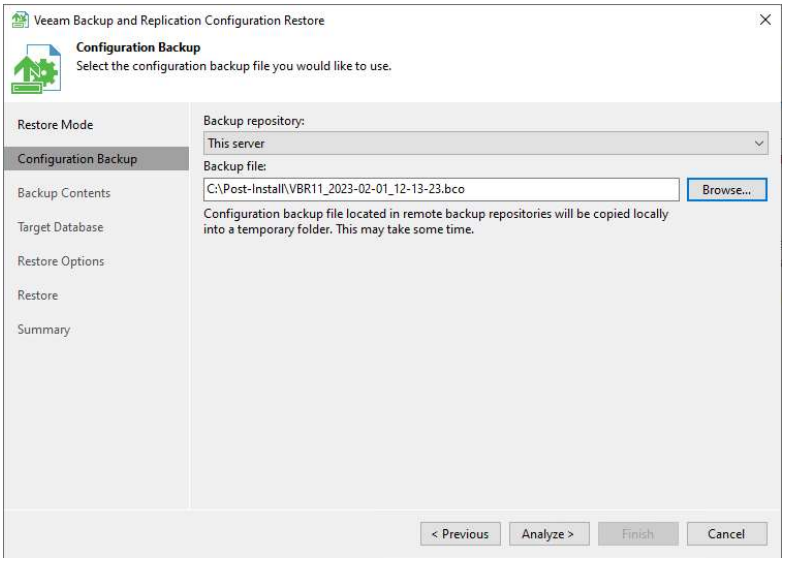
14. Select this server in the Backup repository field on the Configuration Backup page.
15. Click Browse in the Backup file field.



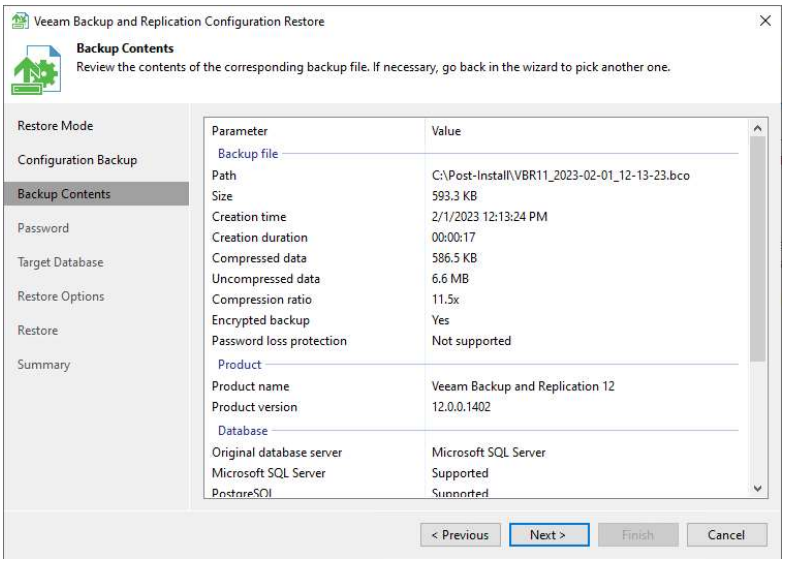
16. Select the backup configuration file and click Open.



17. Click Analyze on the Configuration Backup page.



18. Click Next on the Backup Contents page.



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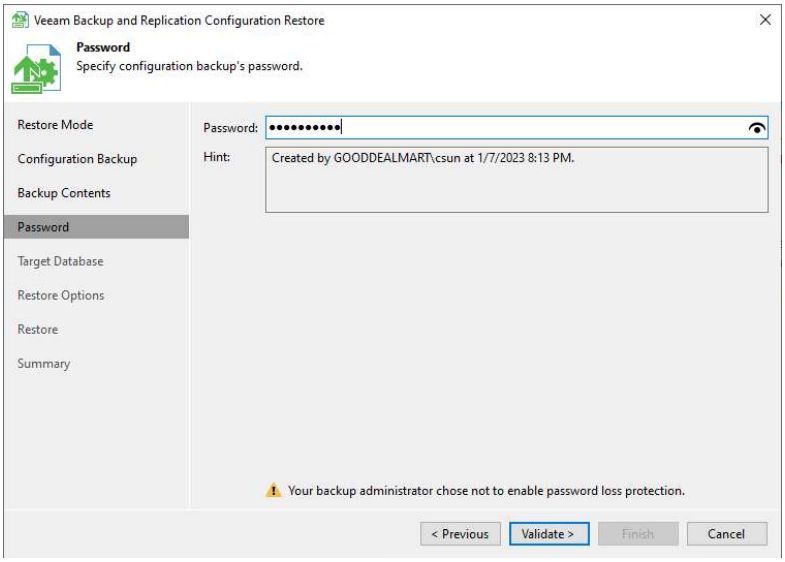
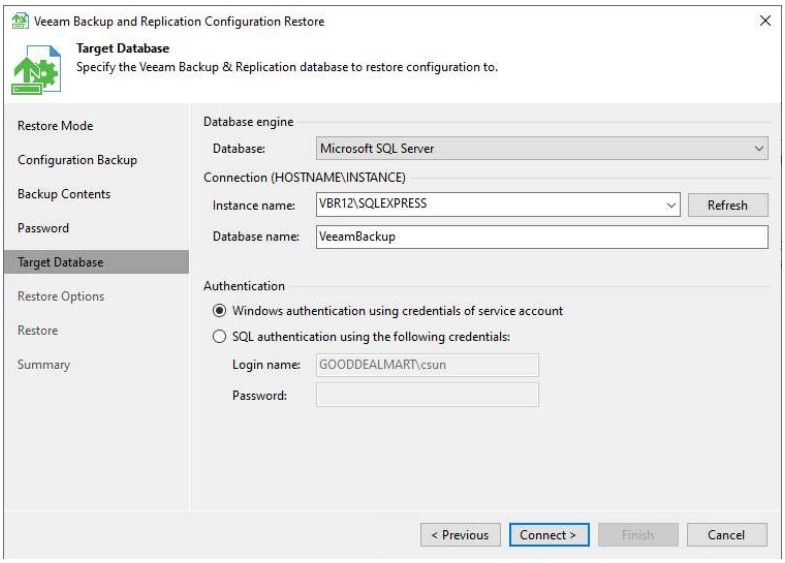
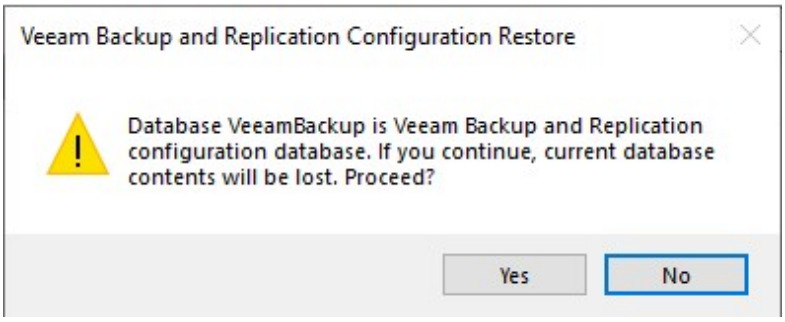
19. On the Password page, enter the password of the configuration file in the Password field.
20. Enter the description in the Hint field.
21. Click Validate.



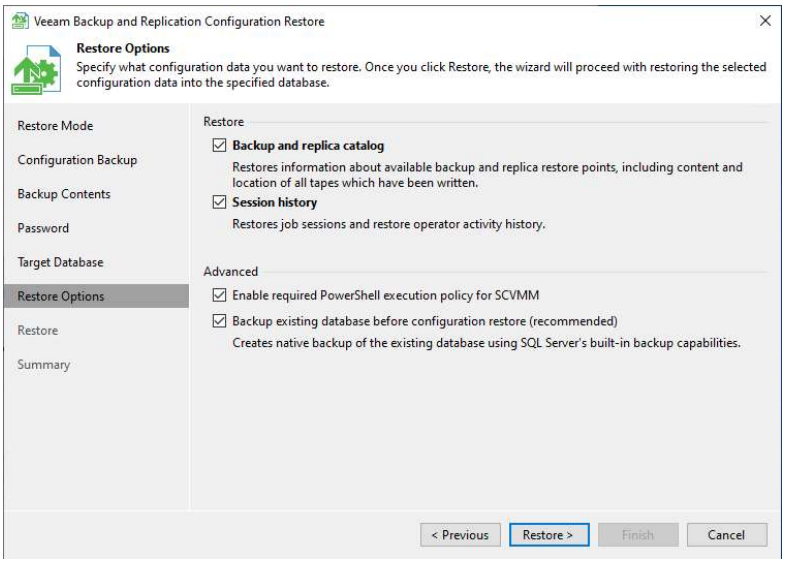
22. Select Microsoft SQL Server from the Database drop-down list on the Target Database page.
23. Enter the instance name and Database name in the Connection session.
24. Select Windows authentication using the service account credentials in the Authentication session.



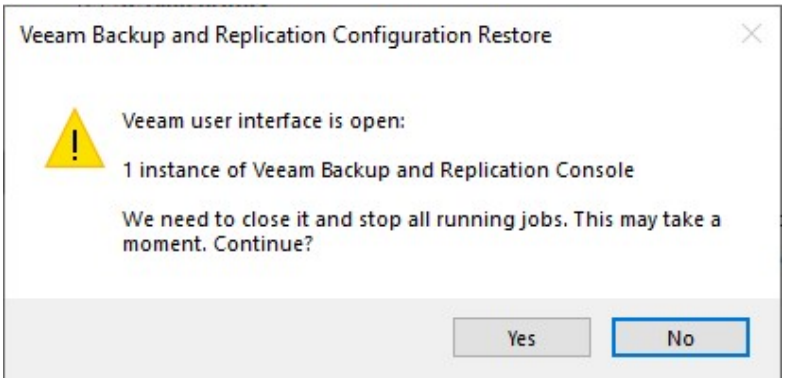
25. Click Yes on the warning message.



26. Select the Backup and replica catalog checkbox on the Restore Options page.
27. Select the Session history checkbox.
28. Select Enable required PowerShell execution policy for SCVMM checkbox.
29. Select Backup existing database before configuration restore (recommended).
30. Click Restore.



31. Click Yes on the warning message.



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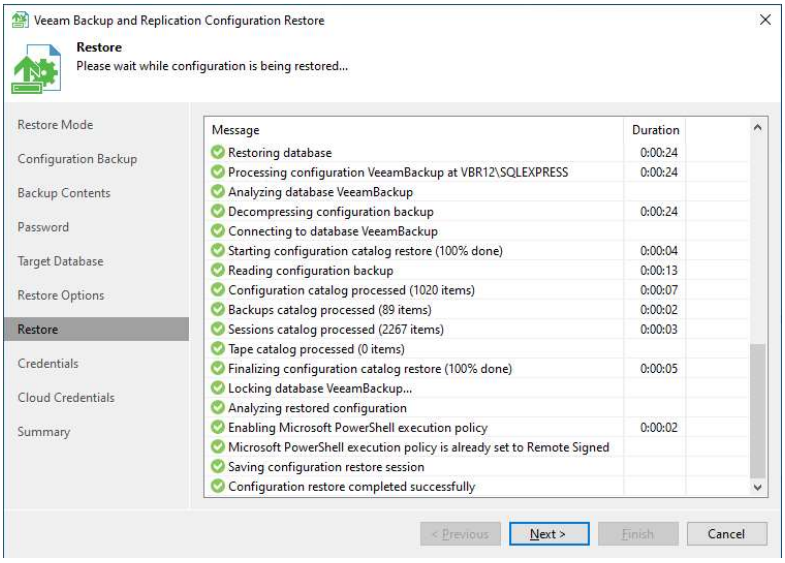
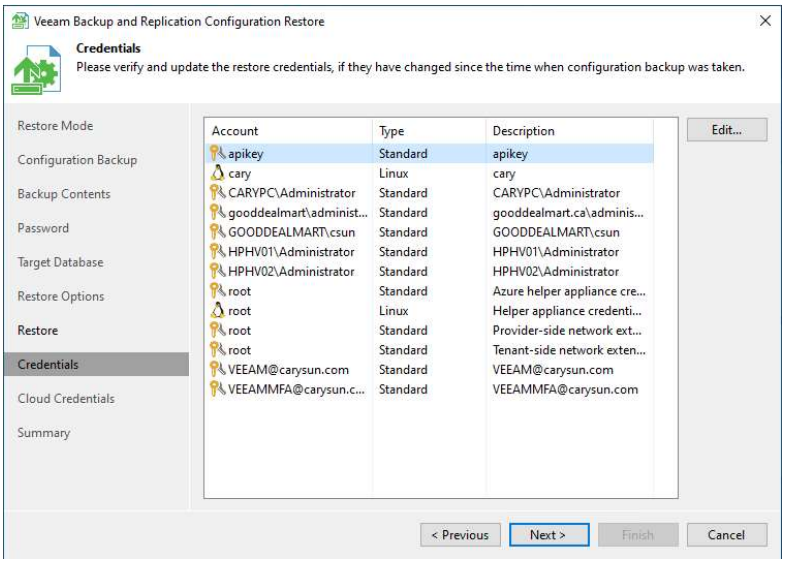
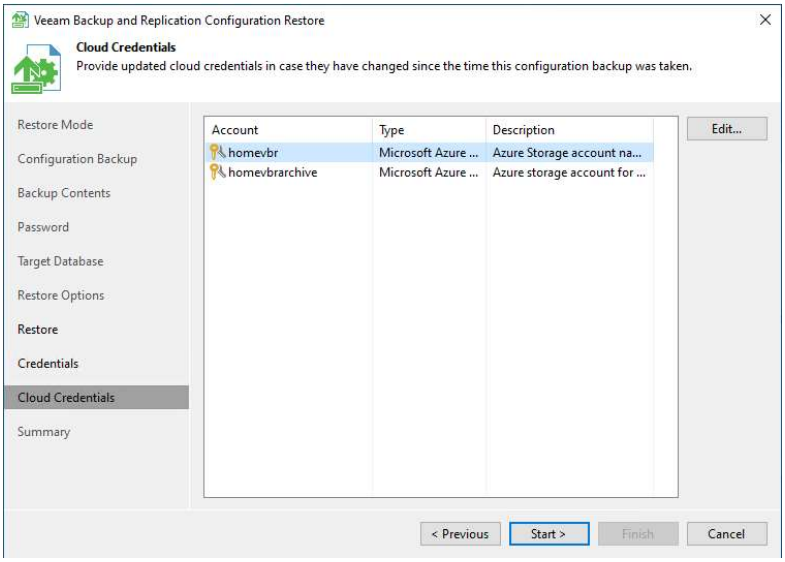
32. On the Restore page, ensure the Configuration restore is completed successfully and click Next.



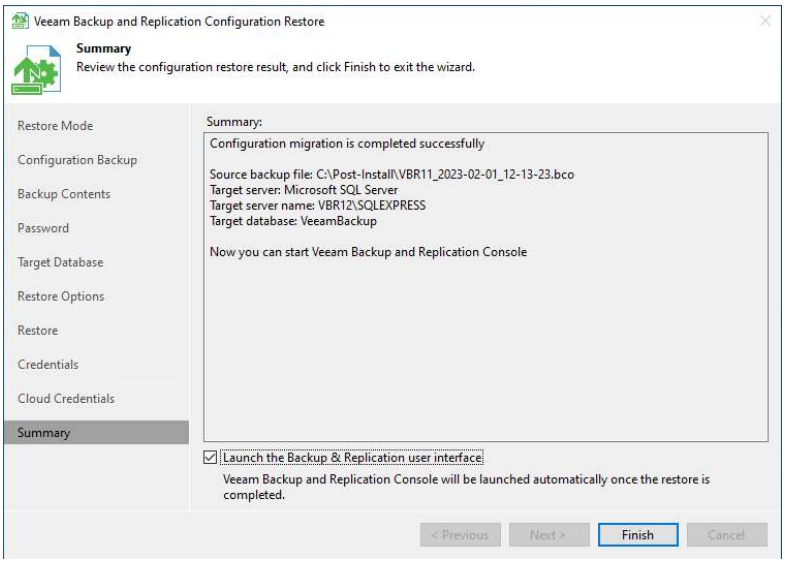
33. On the Credentials page, ensure all credentials are up-to-date and click Next.



34. Ensure all credentials are up-to-date on the Cloud Credentials page and click Start.



35. Click Finish on the Summary page.



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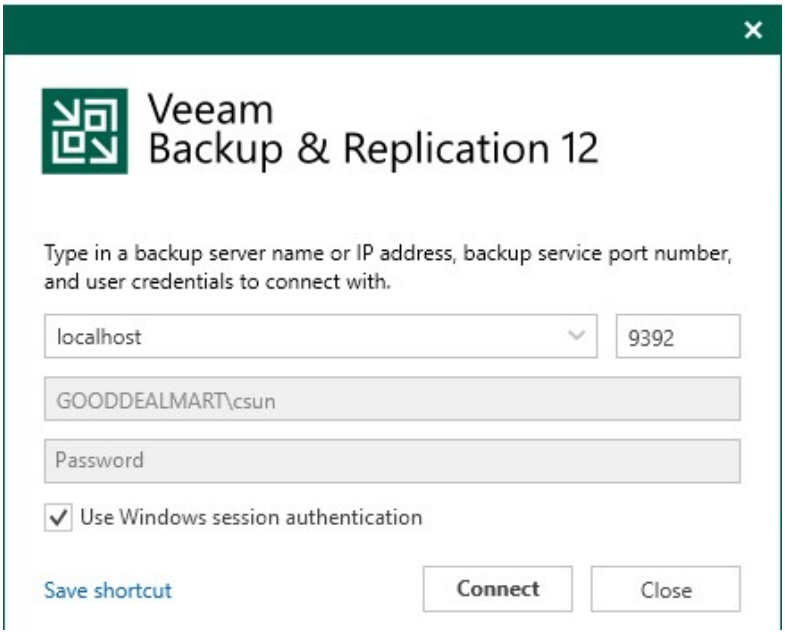
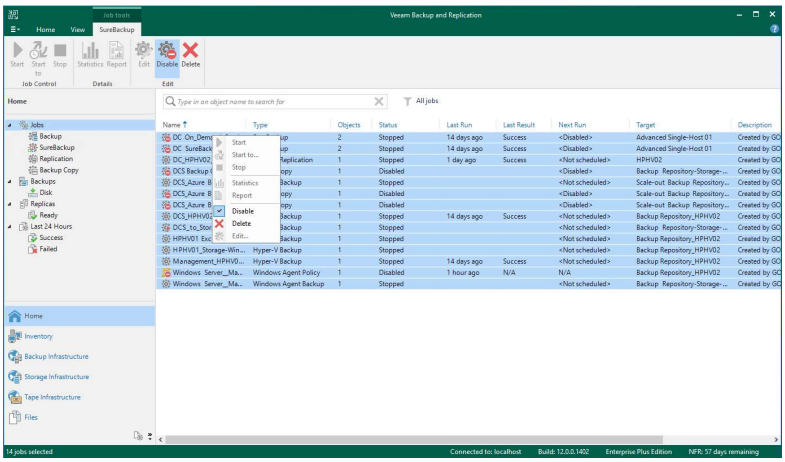
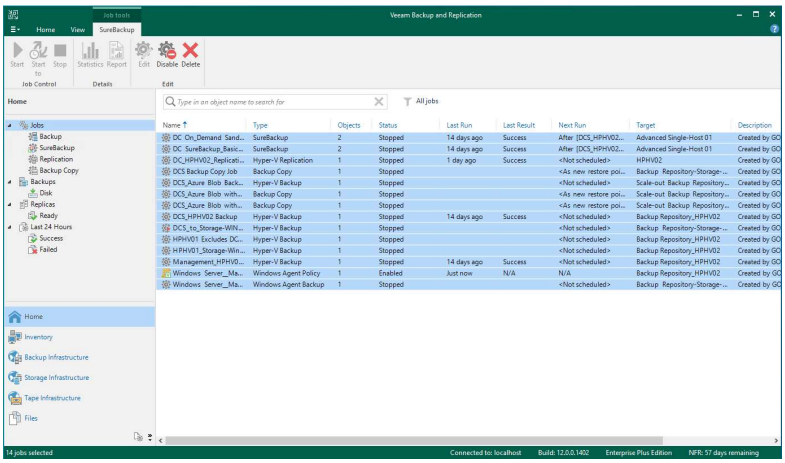
36. Open Veeam Backup & Replication console and click Connect.



37. Select and right-click all jobs, and unselect Disable to enable all jobs.



38. Ensure all jobs are re-enabled.



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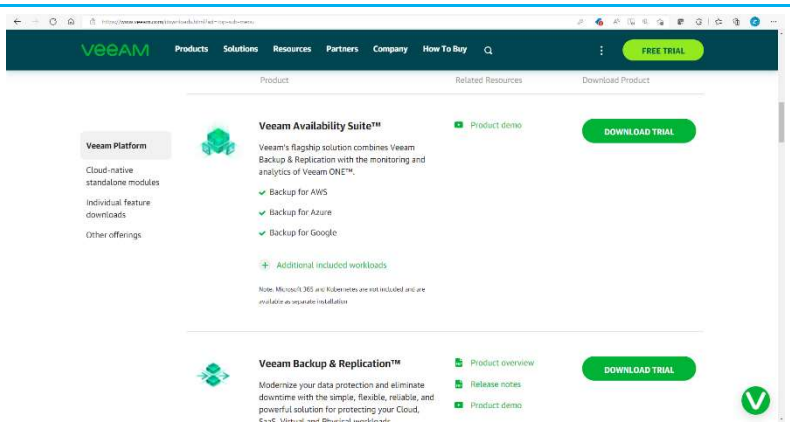
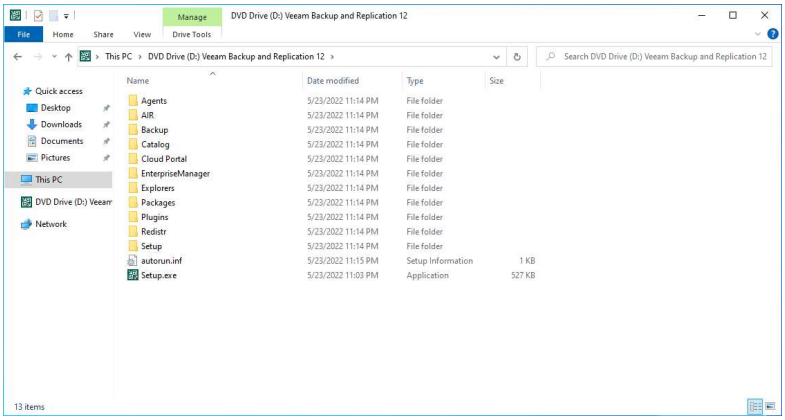
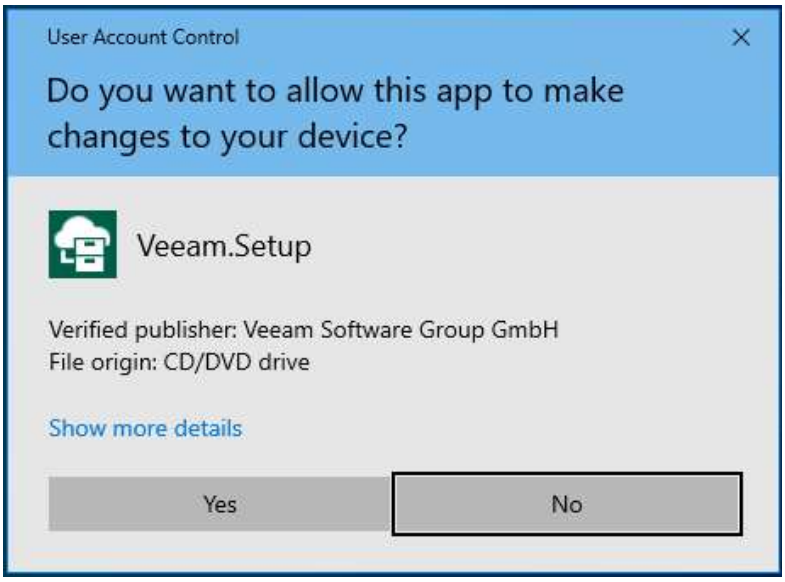
Install Veeam Backup and Replication Console 12

When you install Veeam Backup & Replication, the Veeam Backup & Replication console is automatically installed on the backup server. If you want to access Veeam Backup & Replication remotely, you can install the Veeam Backup & Replication console on a dedicated machine.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and Replication manager console machine. 2. Download the Veeam Backup and Replication v12 ISO image file from the Veeam website sign-in required).	
3. Mount Veeam Backup & Replication v12 iso image file. 4. Run Setup.exe.	

5. On the User Access Control page, click Yes.



6. On the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 page, click Install.

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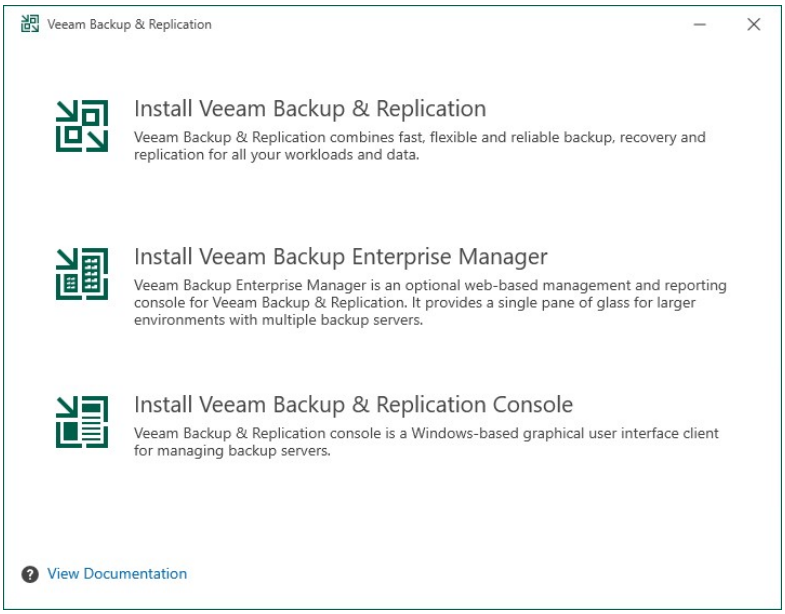
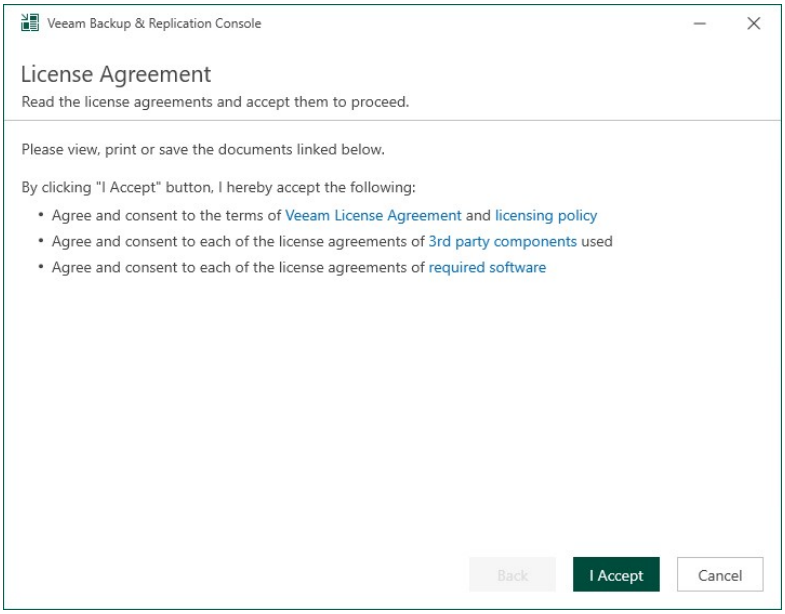
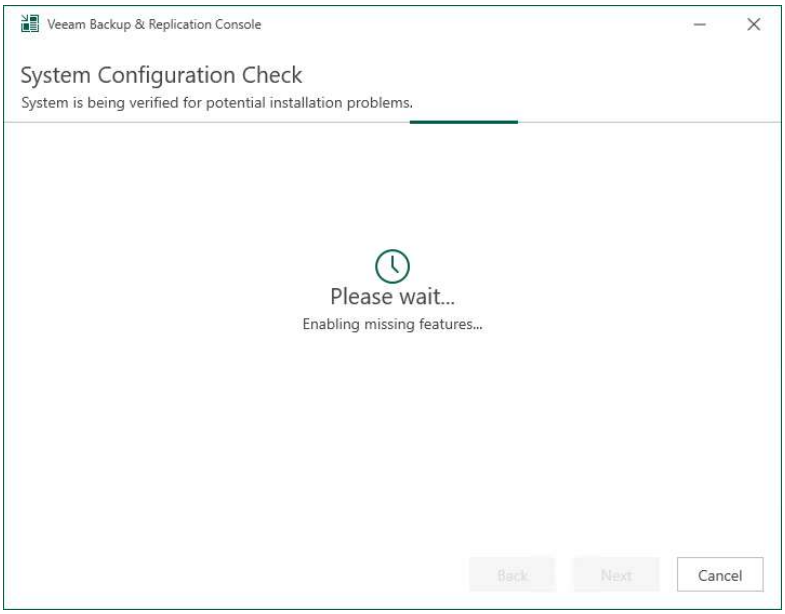
7. Select Install Veeam Backup & Replication Console on the Veeam Backup & Replication page



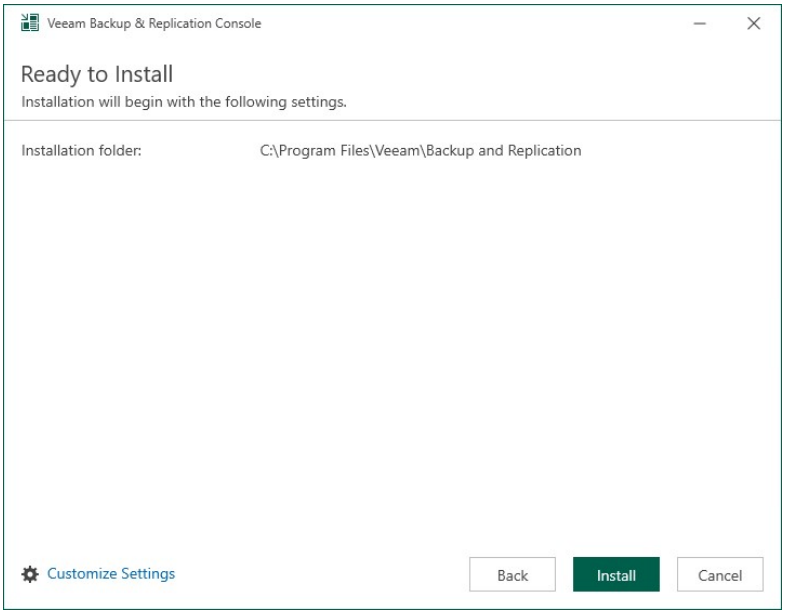
8. Click I Accept on the License Agreement page.



9. The setup wizard checks if the required software is installed on the machine during the System Configuration Check step. If required components are missing, the setup will attempt to install them independently. Rebooting is required after the components have been successfully installed. Click Reboot to restart the machine.



10. Click Customize Settings on the Ready to Install page.



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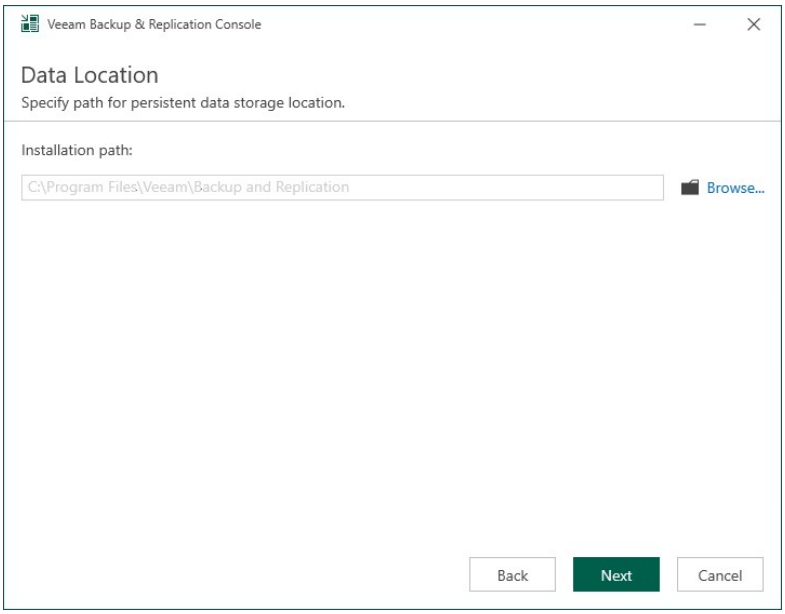
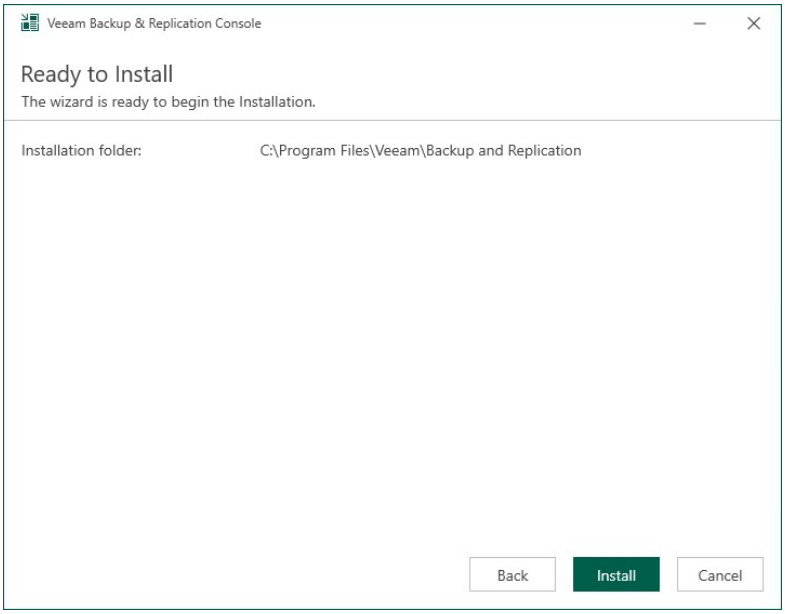
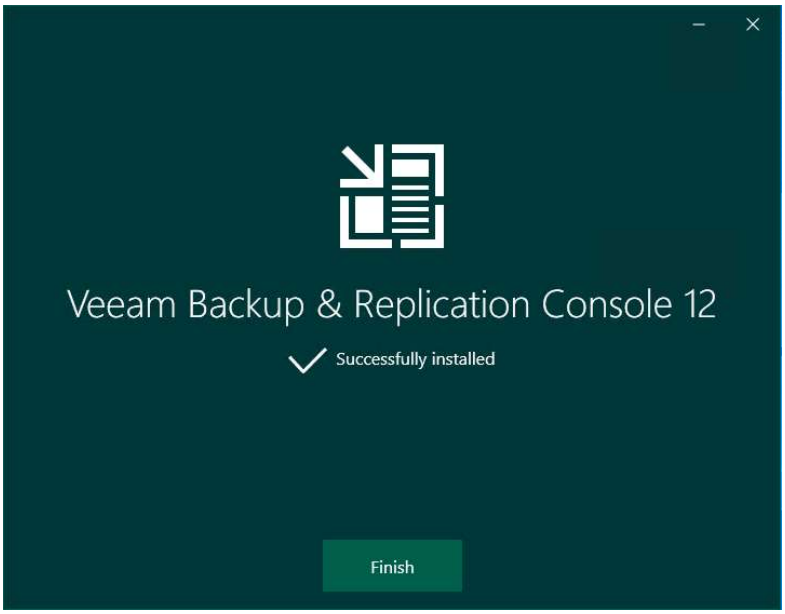
11. On the Data locations page, click Browse and select the path in the Installation path field.
12. Click Next.



13. Click Install on the Ready to Install page.

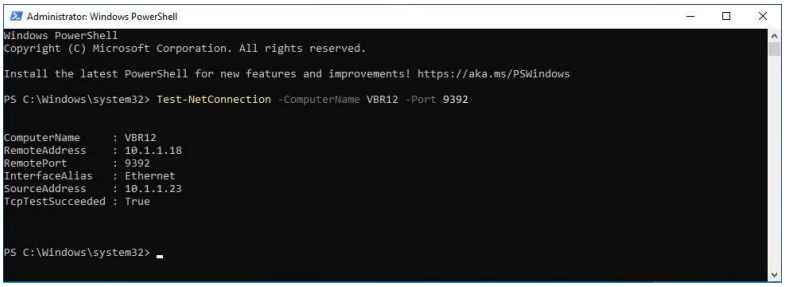


14. Click Finish on the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 Successfully installed page.



15. Verify that the Veeam Backup Service is running on the Veeam Backup Server, and then test connectivity to that service from the remote machine using the following PowerShell cmdlet.

Test-NetConnection -ComputerName <hostname/ip> -Port 9392



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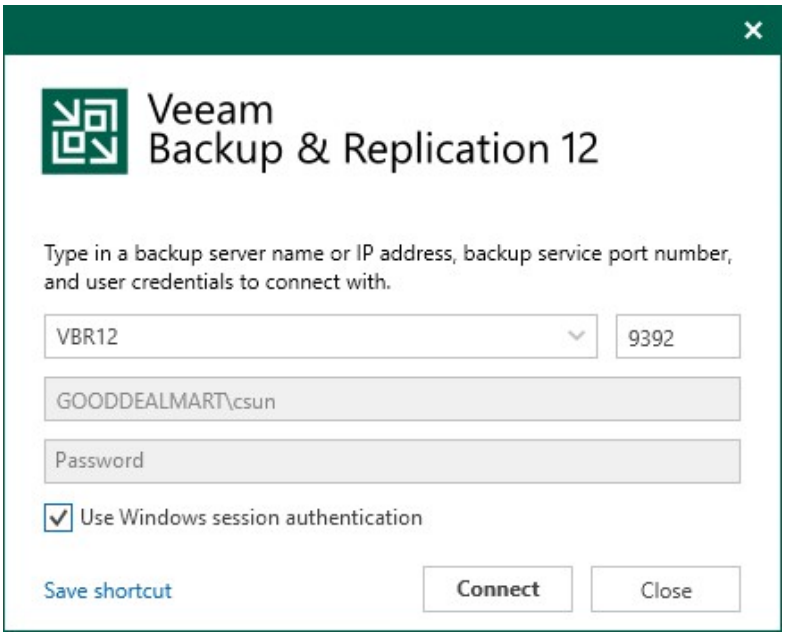
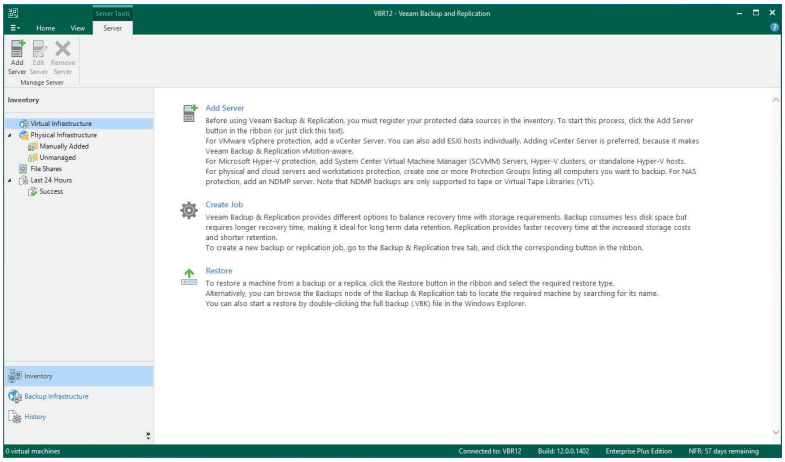
16. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, click Connect, enter the Backup & Replication manager server name or IP address, and click Connect.

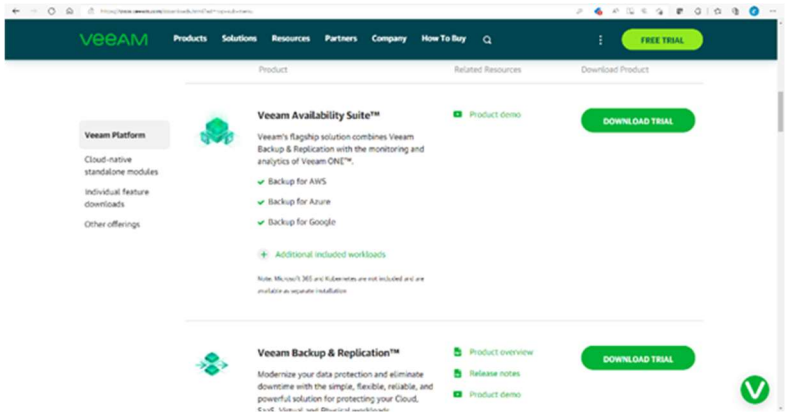


17. Ensure you can connect to the Veeam Backup & Replication manager server without issue.



Upgrade to Veeam Backup and Replication Console 12

To gain remote access to Veeam Backup & Replication v12, you must first upgrade the Veeam Backup & Replication console to v12 on a dedicated machine.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the existing Veeam Backup and replication manager console machine. 2. Download the Veeam Backup and Replication v12 iso image file from the Veeam website. (Sign-in required).	

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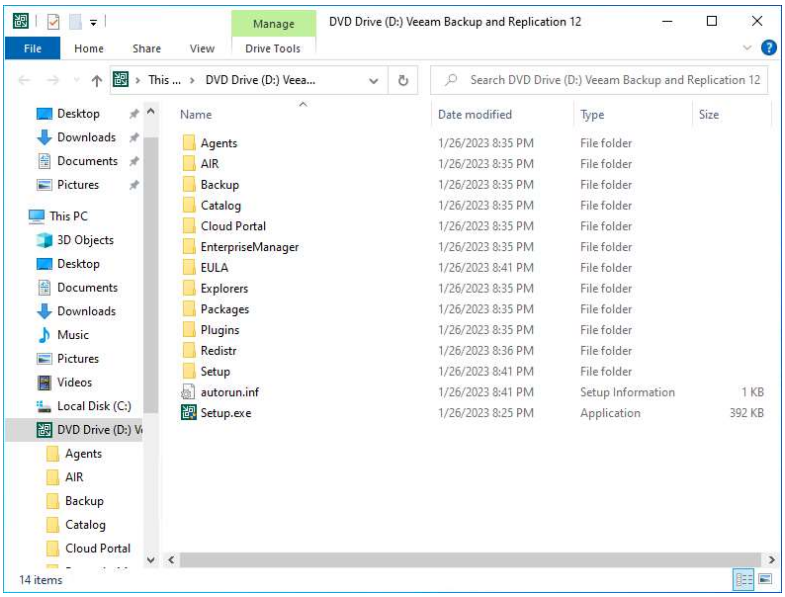
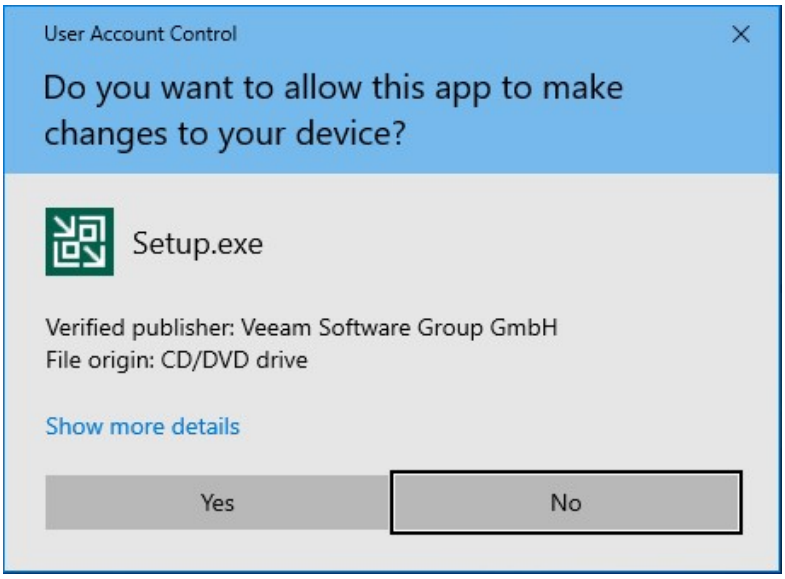
3. Mount the Veeam Backup & Replication v12 ISO image file.
4. Run Setup.exe.

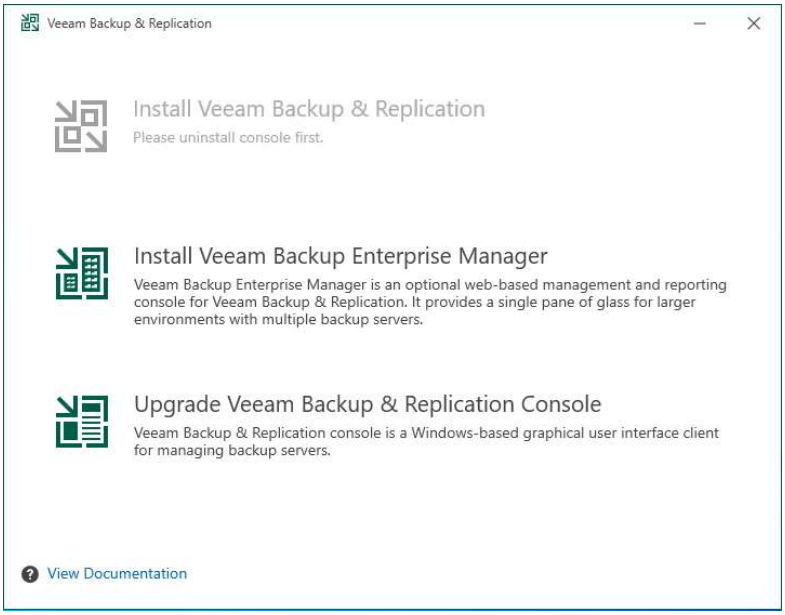


5. Click Yes on the User Account Control page.



6. Click Upgrade on the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 page.

7. Select Upgrade Veeam Backup & Replication Console on the Veeam Backup & Replication page.



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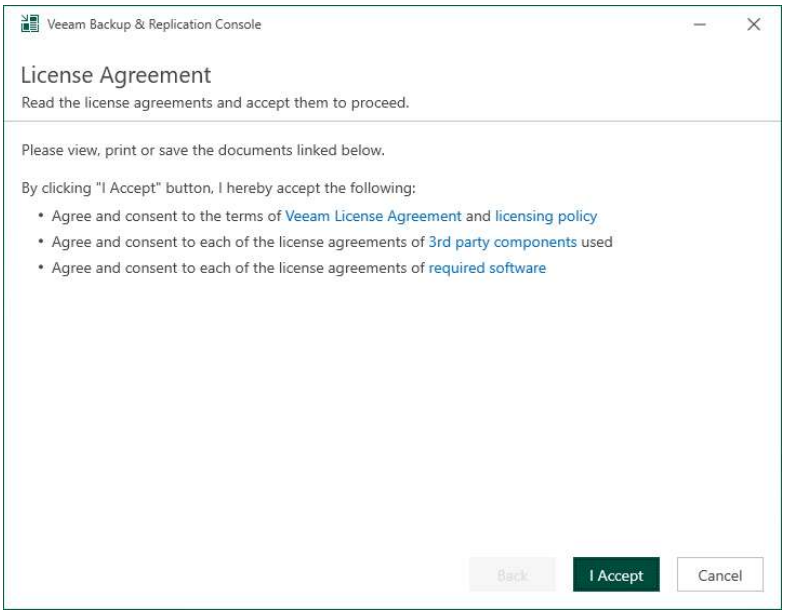
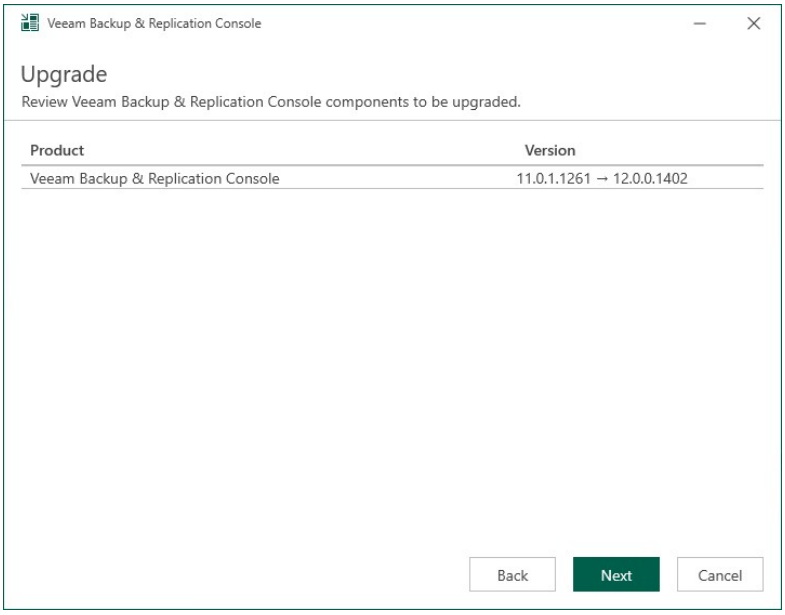
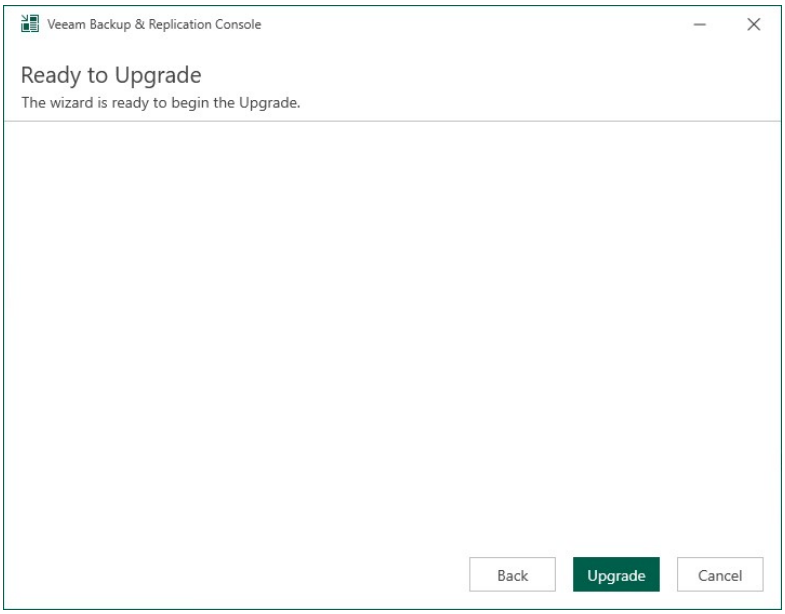
8. On the License Agreement page, click I Accept.



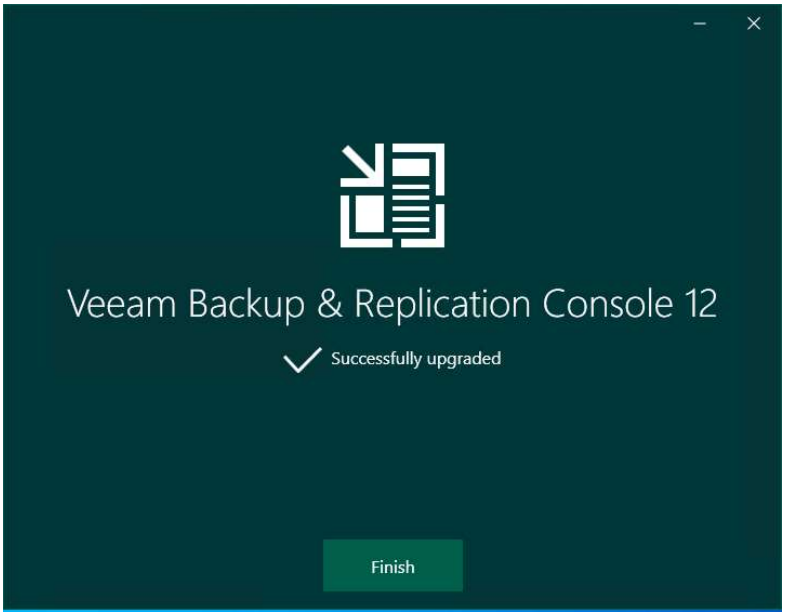
9. On the Upgrade page, click Next.



10. Click Upgrade on the Ready to Upgrade page.



11. Click Finish on the Veeam Backup & Replication Console 12 successfully upgraded page.



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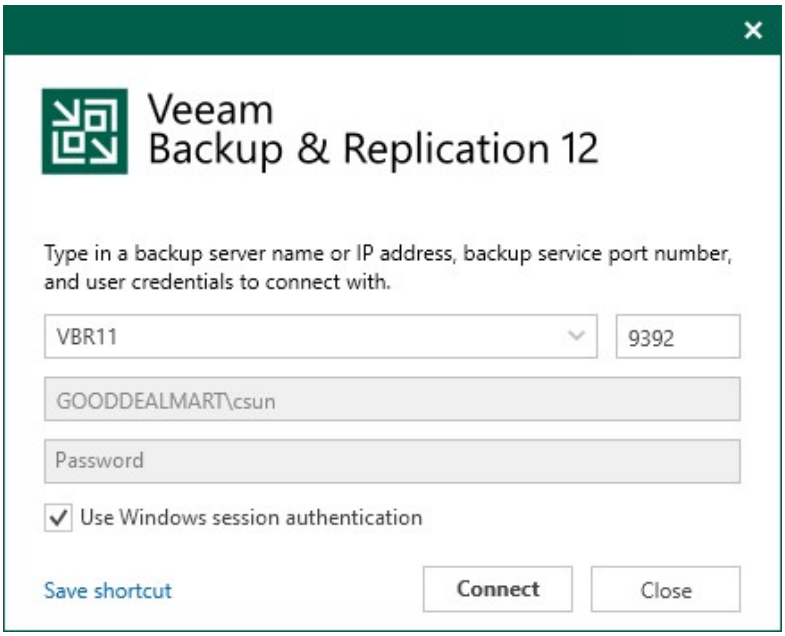
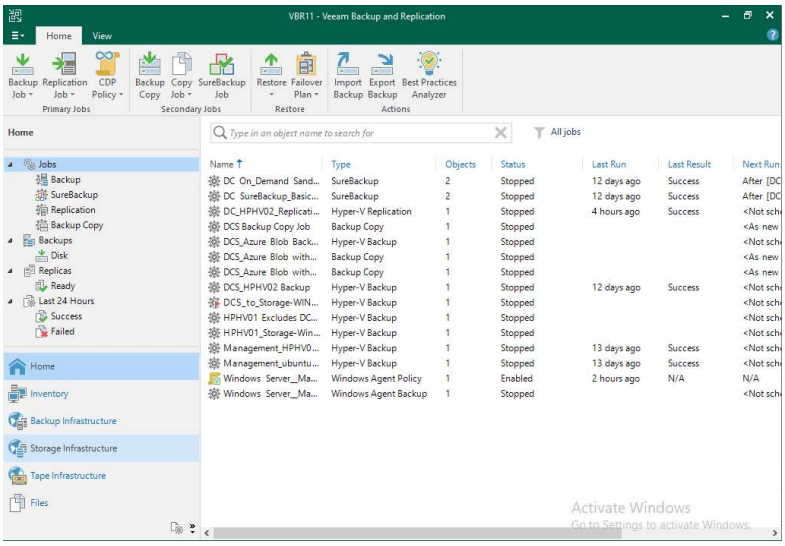
12. Open Veeam and Replication Console 12 and click Connect.



13. Ensure connection to Veeam Backup and Replication manager server is successful.



Chapter 3

Configuration

This chapter will review the initial configurations of Veeam Backup and Replication. These include:

- Add Virtualization Servers and Hosts
- Add Physical Machines
- Add Backup Repositories
- Generation Settings

These steps must be configured before setting up Backup Jobs, covered in the next chapter.

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Virtualization Servers and Hosts

Veeam Backup & Replication allows you to build a scalable backup infrastructure for many environments. Physical and virtual machines can be added to the backup infrastructure and assigned different roles. In addition, Veeam Backup and Replication components can coexist on the same machine.

The Backup Infrastructure can be expanded with the following types of servers and hosts:

- Microsoft Hyper-V Standalone Servers
- Microsoft Hyper-V Cluster Servers
- Microsoft SMB3 Servers
- Microsoft Windows Servers
- Linux Server

Add Microsoft Hyper-V Standalone Servers

You must add the Microsoft Hyper-V standalone hosts you plan to use as source and target for backup, replication and other activities.

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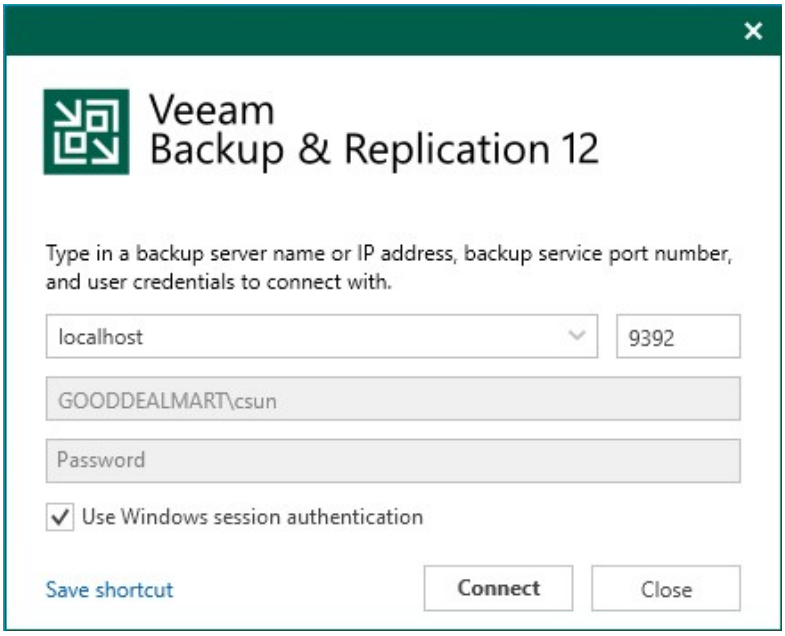
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	

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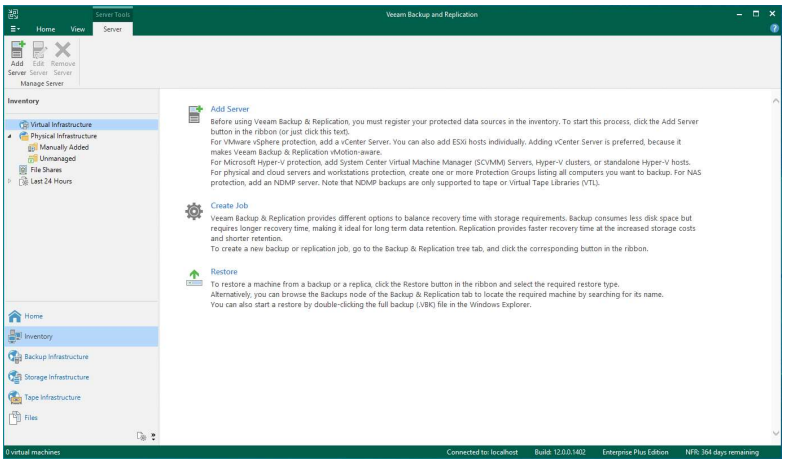
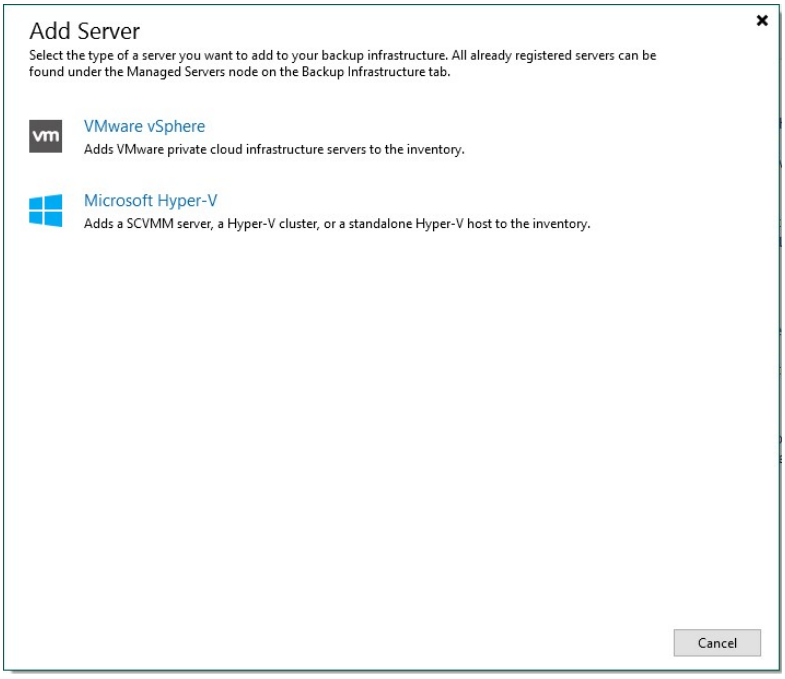
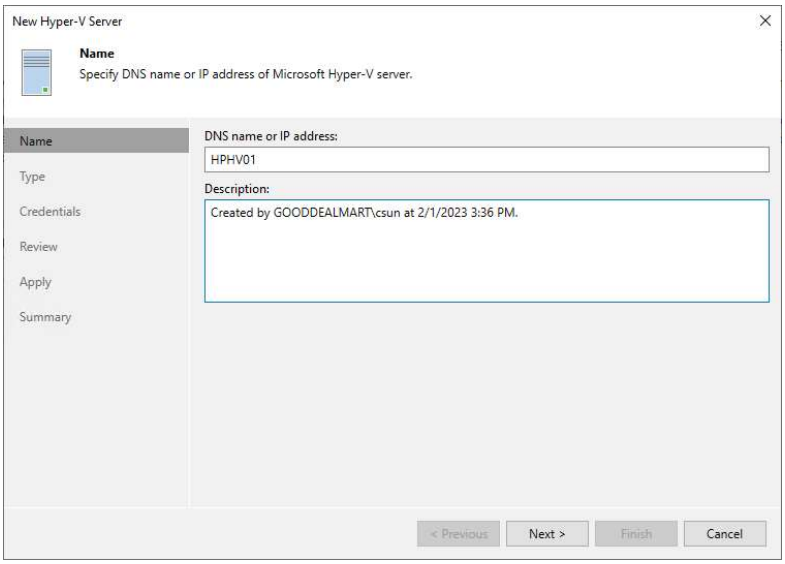
3. On the Home page, select Inventory.
4. On the Inventory page, select Virtual Infrastructure and click Add Server.



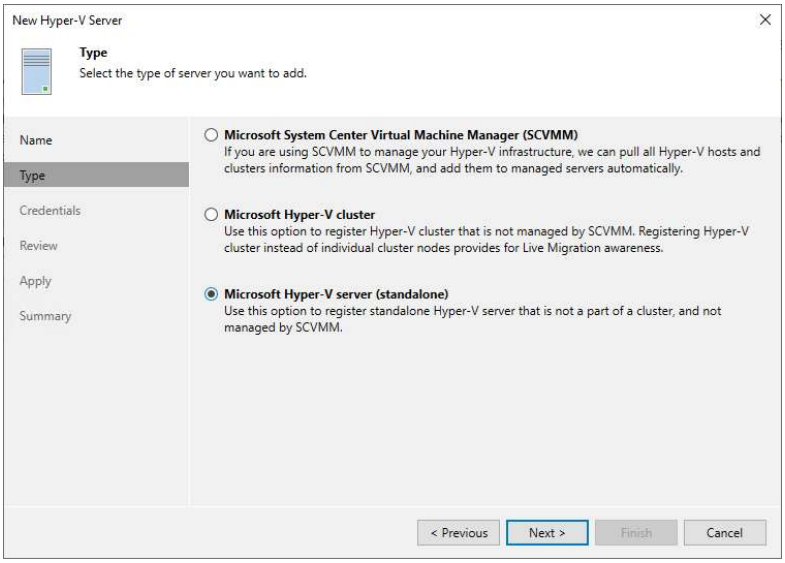
5. On the Add Server page, select Microsoft Hyper-V.



6. Enter the Microsoft Hyper-V server's full DNS name or IP address on the Name page.
7. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



8. Select Microsoft Hyper-V server (standalone) on the Type page and click Next.



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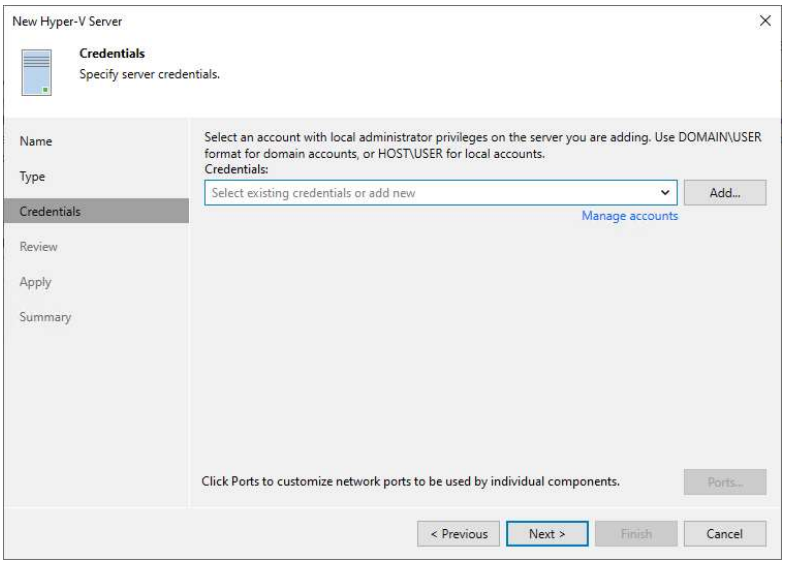
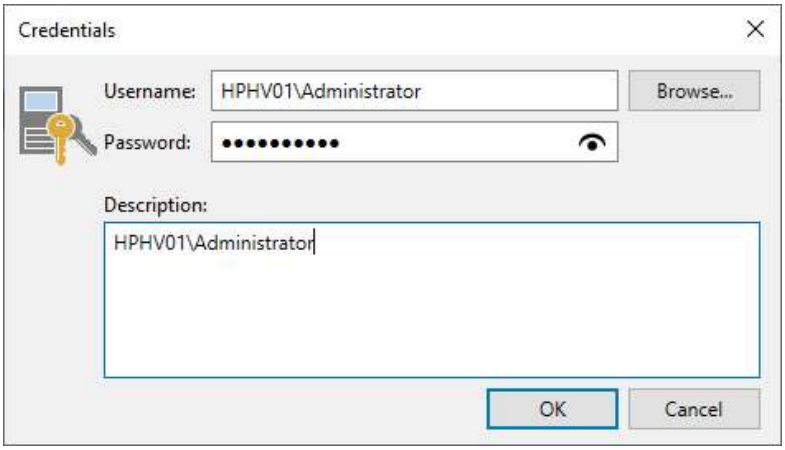
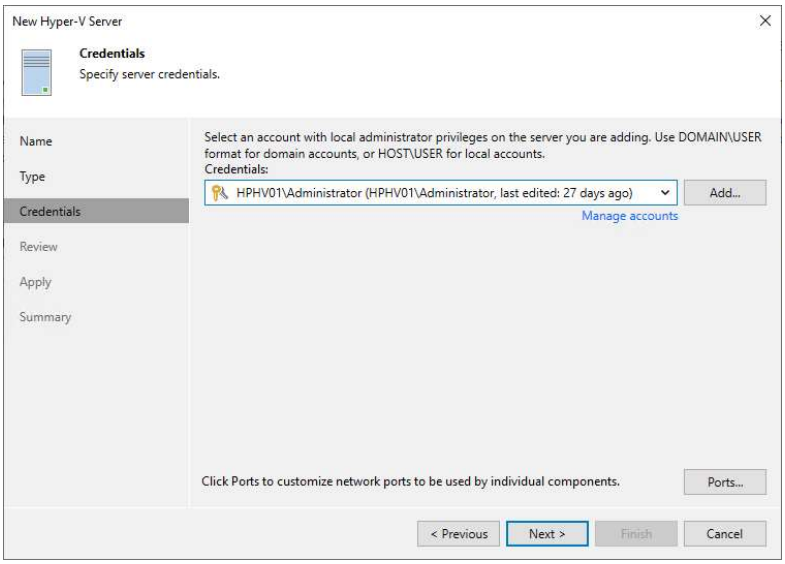
9. Select an account from the Credentials drop-down list on the Credentials page or click Add on the right to add the credentials.



10. On the Credentials page, enter a user name in the Username field. You can also click Browse to select an existing user account.
11. Enter the password In the Password field.
12. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click OK.



13. On the Credentials page, click Ports.



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14. If necessary, change the network ports used by Veeam Backup & Replication components on the Network Settings page.
15. Configure connection settings for file copy operations in the Network Settings window's Data transfer options section. Provide a set of ports for transmission channels between the source and target hosts (one port per task).
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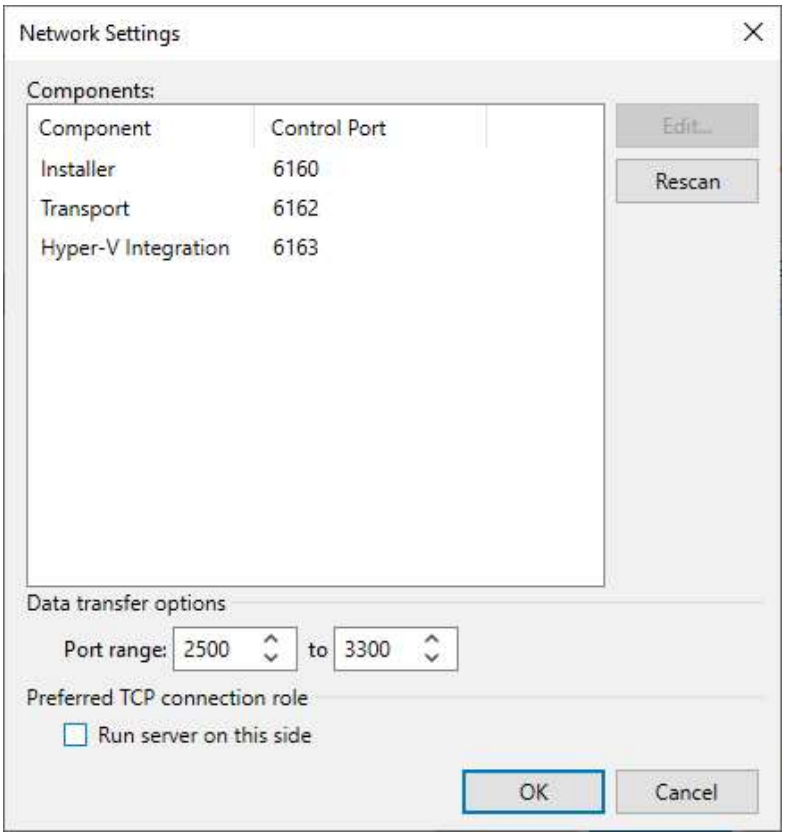
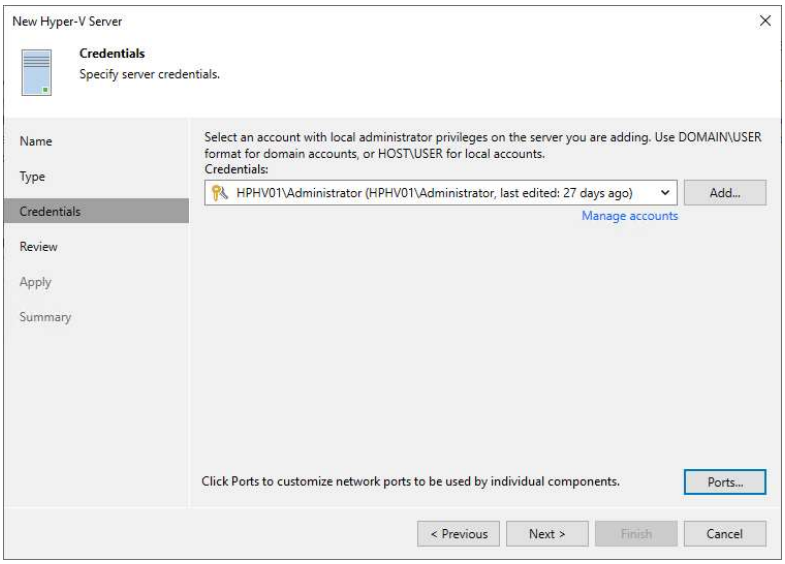
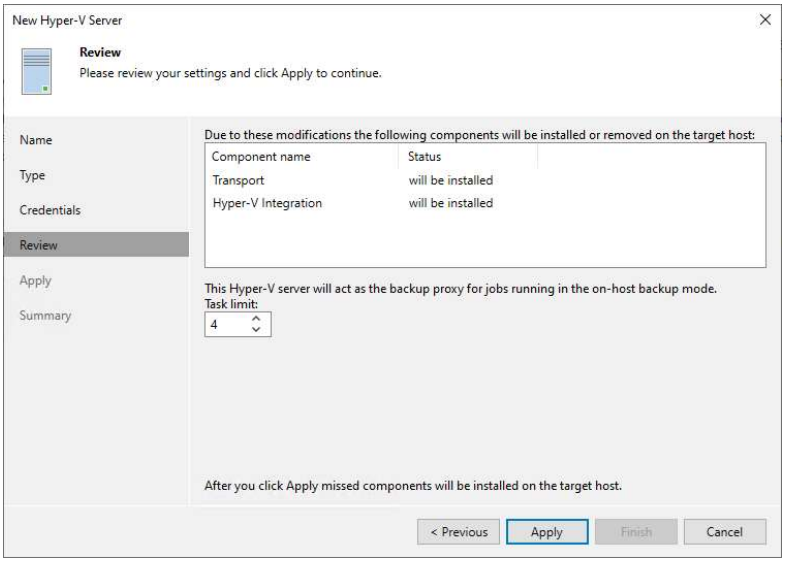
17. Click OK.



18. Click Next on the Credentials page.



19. If you add a standalone Microsoft Hyper-V host on the Review page, specify the number of tasks the Microsoft Hyper-V host must handle concurrently in the Max concurrent tasks field.
20. Click Apply.



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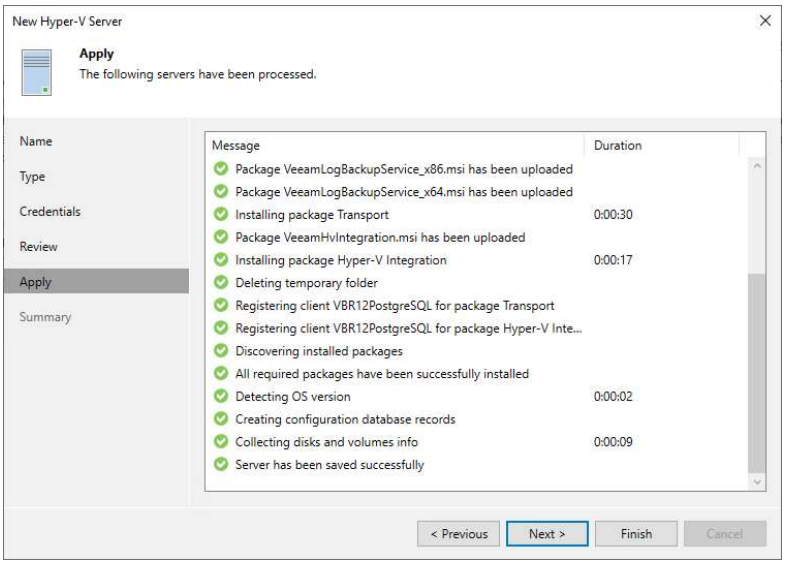
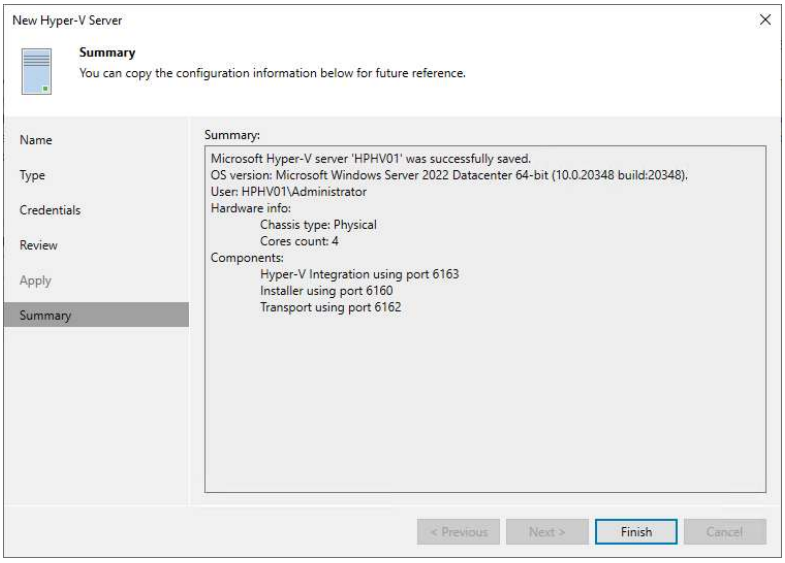
21. Click Next on the Apply page.



22. Click Finish on the Summary page.



Add Microsoft Hyper-V Clusters

You must add the Microsoft Hyper-V clusters you plan to use as source and target for backup, replication and other activities.

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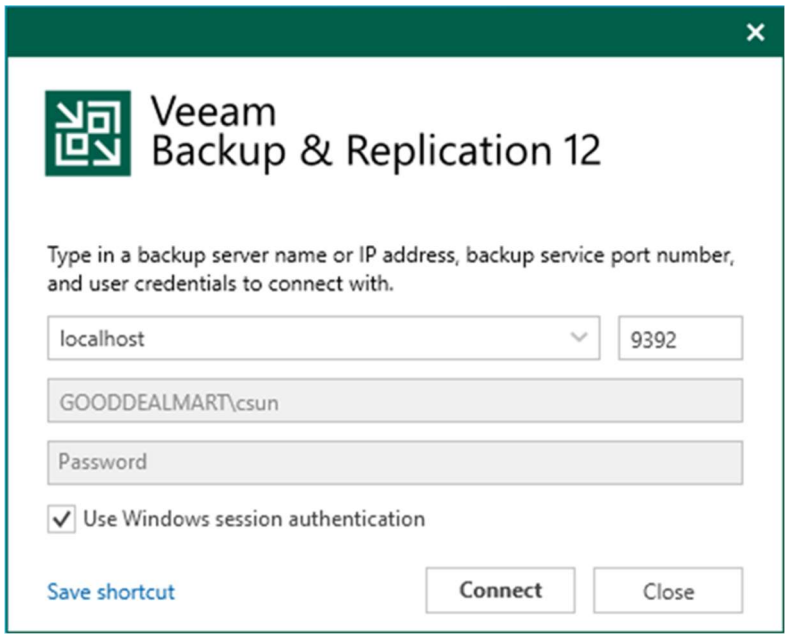
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	

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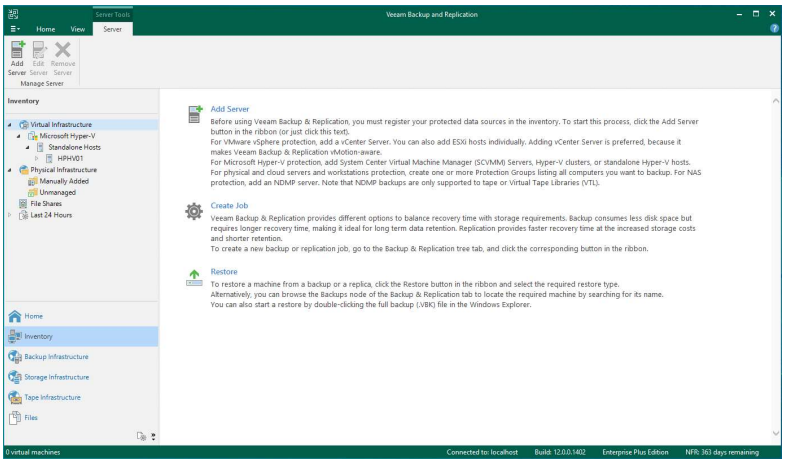
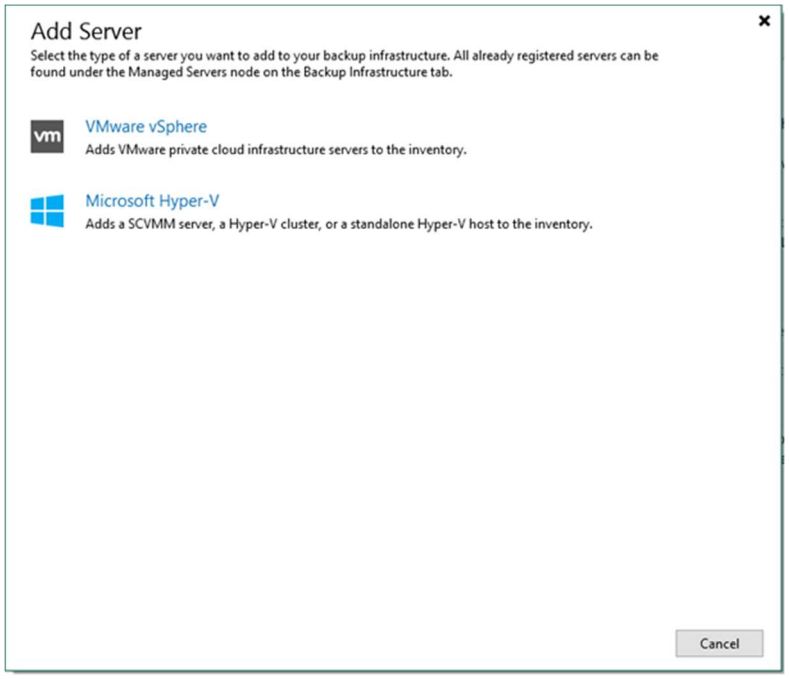
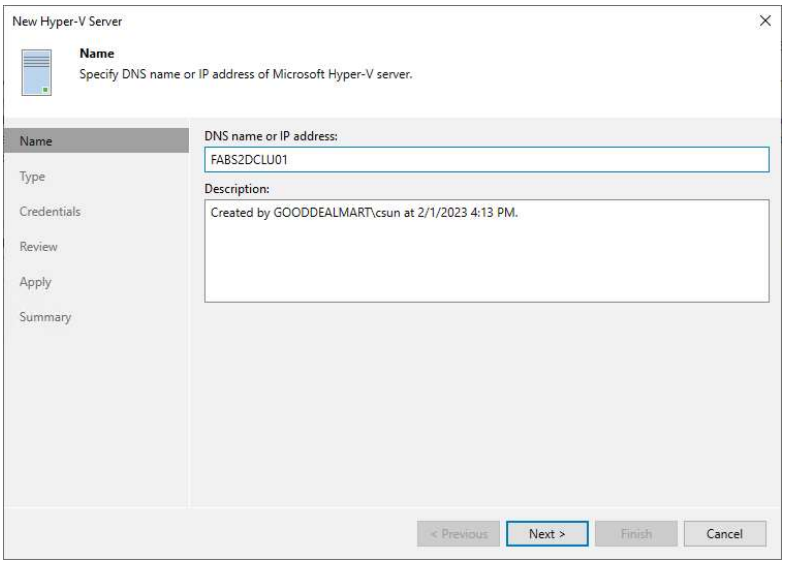
3. On the Home page, select Inventory.
4. On the Inventory page, select Virtual Infrastructure and click Add Server.



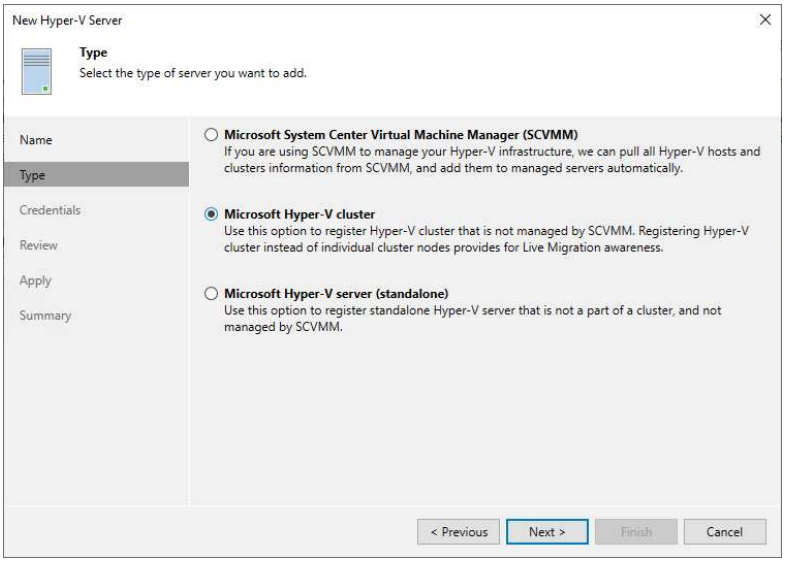
5. On the Add Server page, select Microsoft Hyper-V.



6. Enter the Microsoft Hyper-V Cluster's full DNS name or IP address on the Name page.
7. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



8. On the Type page, select Microsoft Hyper-V cluster and click Next.



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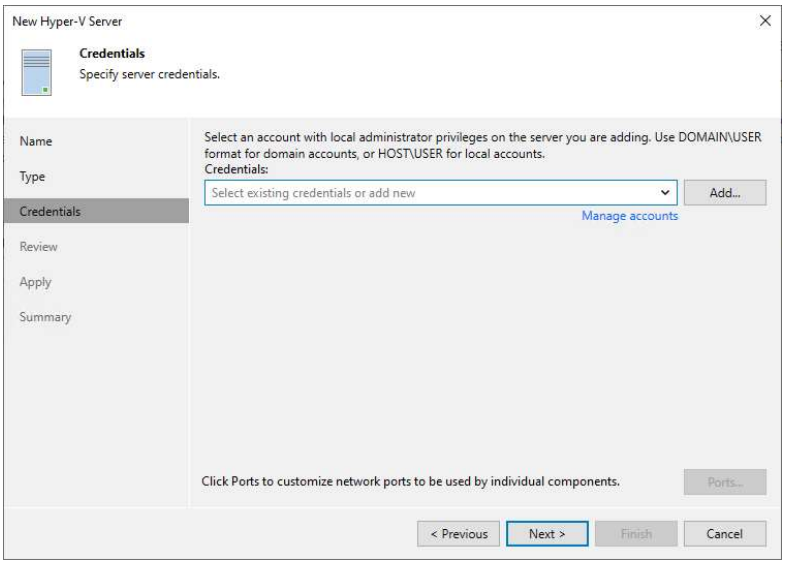
9. Select an account from the Credentials drop-down list on the Credentials page or click Add on the right to add the credentials.



10. On the Credentials page, enter a user name in the Username field. You can also click Browse to select an existing user account.
11. Enter the password In the Password field.
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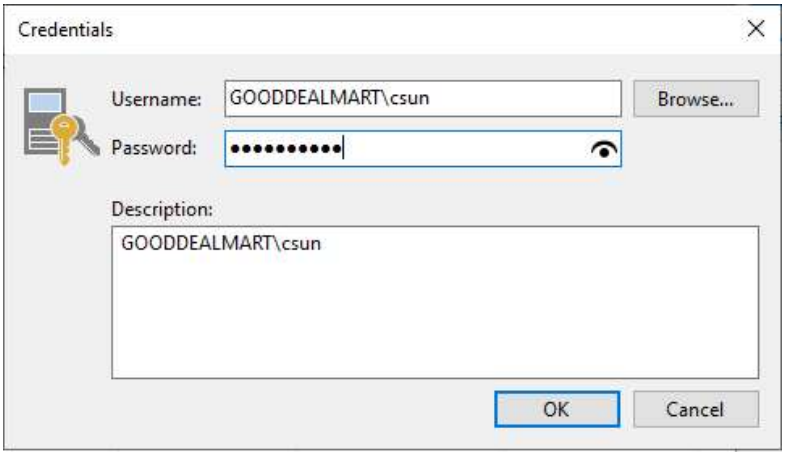
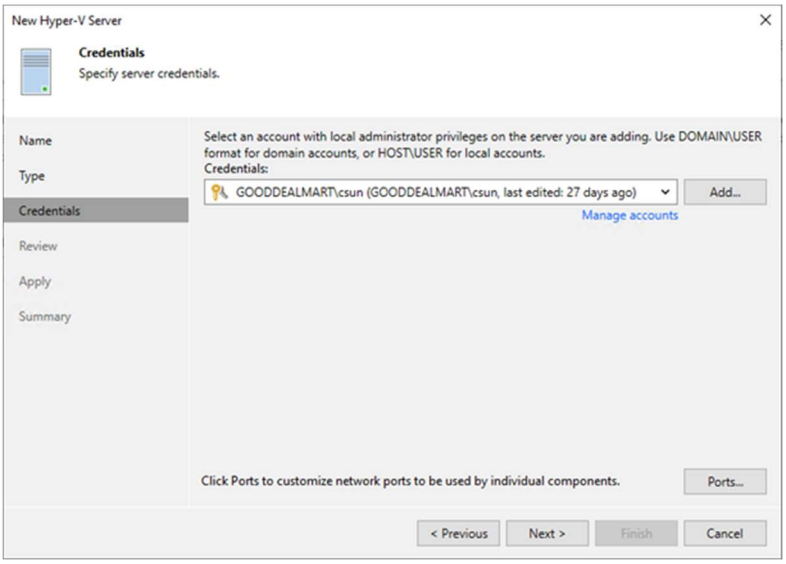


13. On the Credentials page, click Ports.



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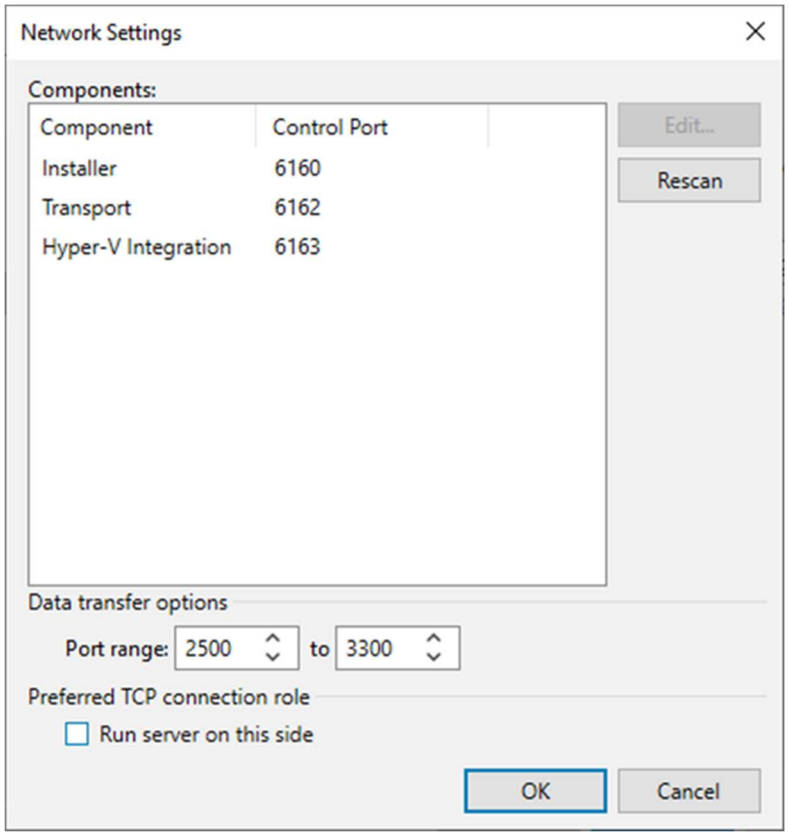
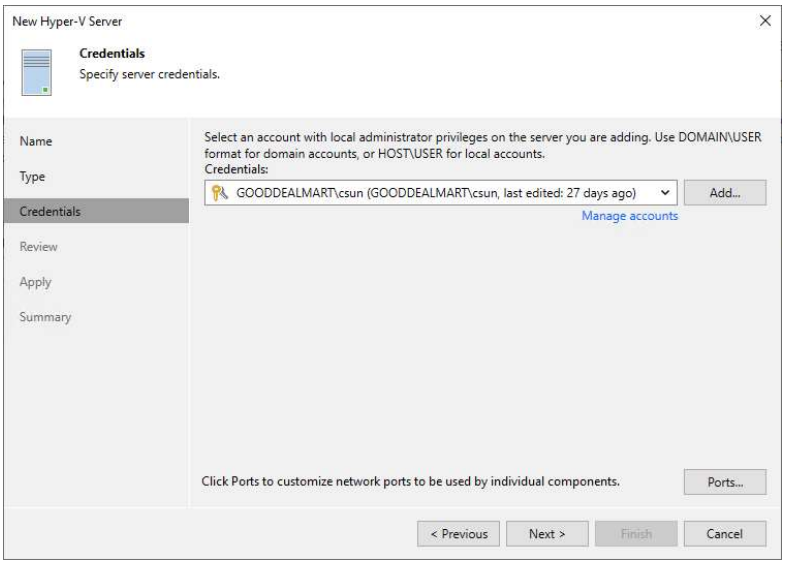
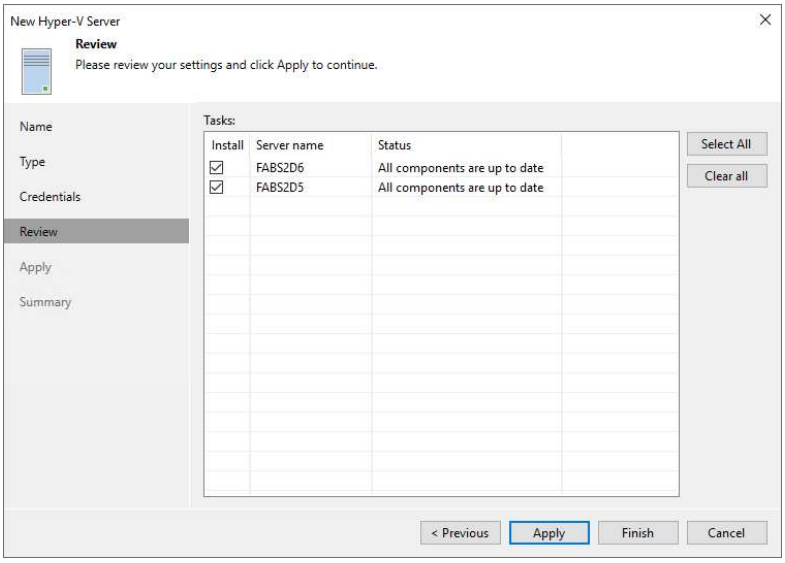


18. On the Credentials page, click Next.



19. Select all servers' checkboxes on the Review page and click Apply.



20. Click Next on the Apply page.

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21. Click Finish on the Summary page.

Add Microsoft SMB3 Servers

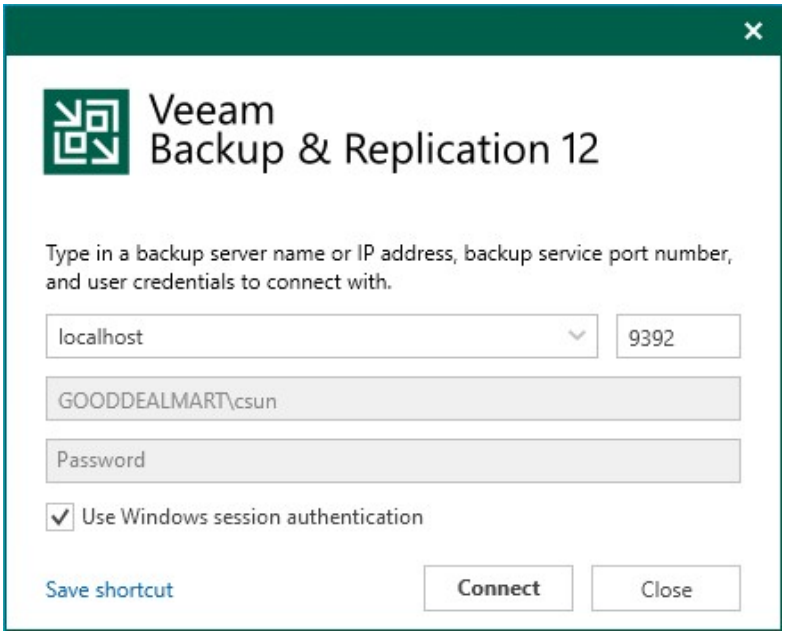
Veeam Backup & Replication can perform backup, replication, and file copy operations on Microsoft Hyper-V VMs whose discs are located on Microsoft SMB3 file shares.

If a Microsoft SMB3 server or cluster is not added to the backup infrastructure, Veeam Backup & Replication cannot process such VMs using the changed block tracking mechanism.

If VMs with discs on SMB3 shared folders are registered on Microsoft Hyper-V Server 2016 or later, a Microsoft SMB3 server is not required. However, if the Microsoft SMB3 server is not added, you cannot specify the Max snapshots, and latency control settings for SMB3 shared folders.

Note:

You cannot use Microsoft SMB3 shared folder as storage for VM replicas.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	

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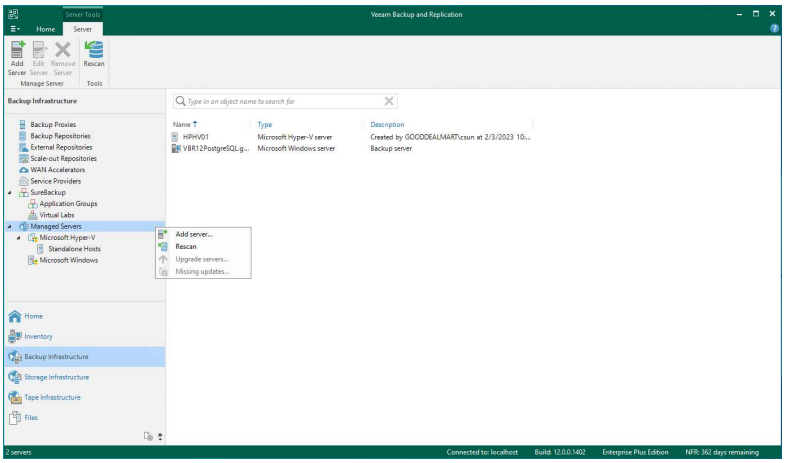
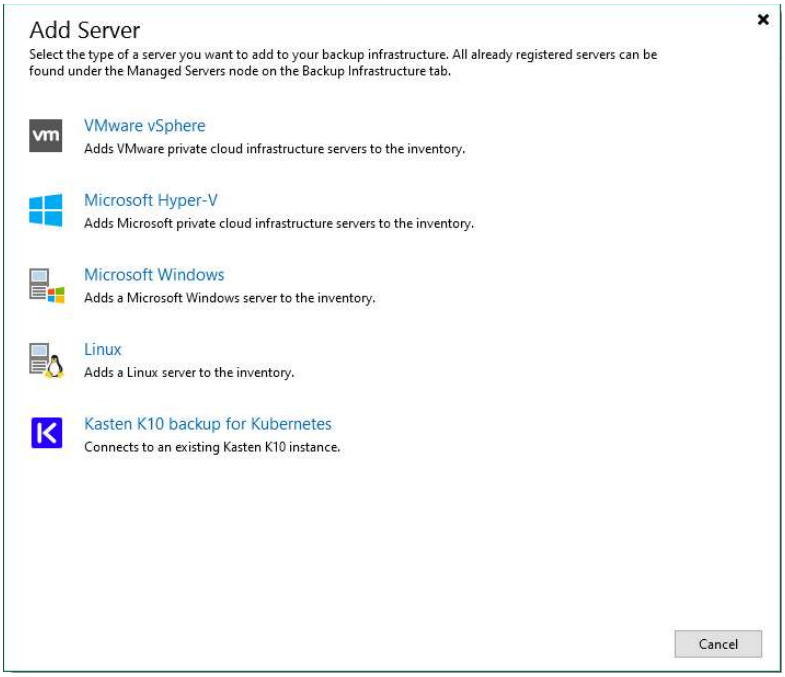
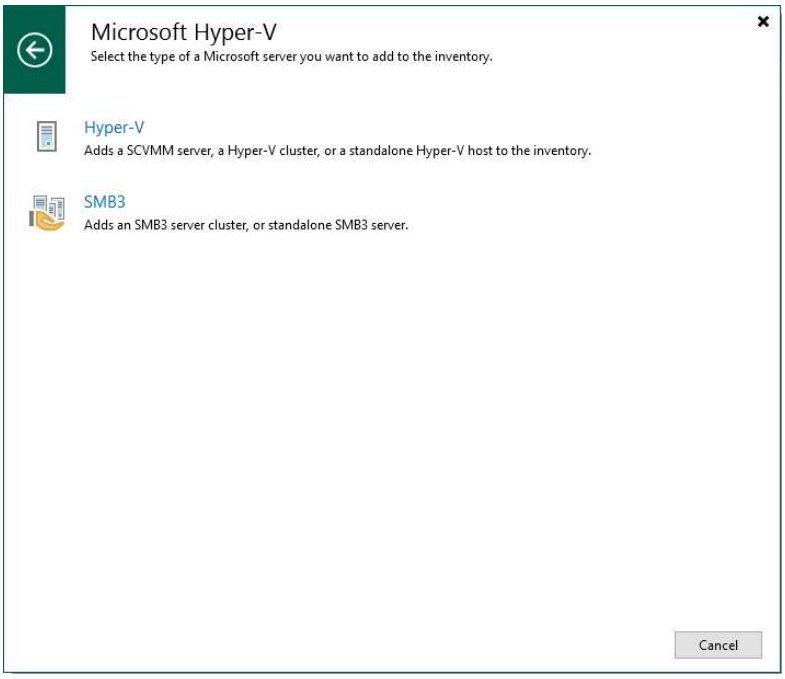
3. On the Home page, select Backup Infrastructure.
4. On the Backup Infrastructure page, select Managed Servers.
5. Right-click Managed Servers and select Add Server.



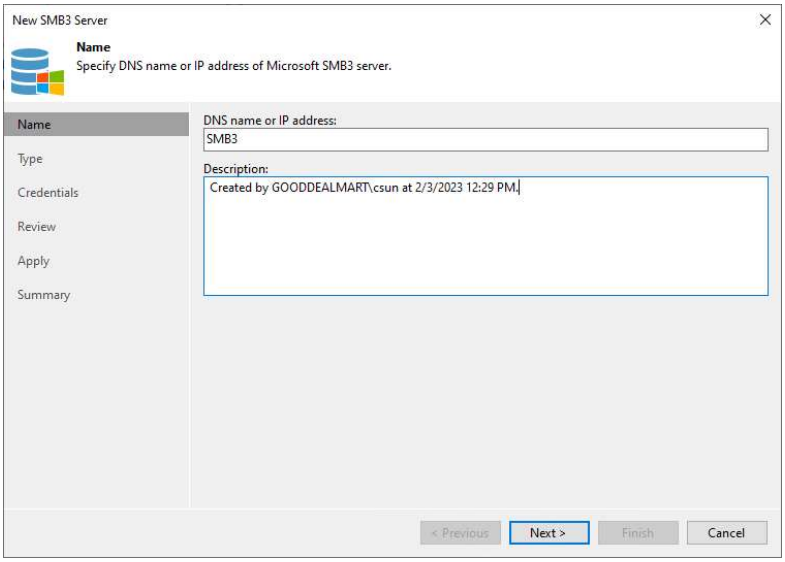
6. Select Microsoft Hyper-V on the Add Server Page.



7. Select SMB3 on the Microsoft Hyper-V page.



8. Enter the Microsoft SMB3 server's full DNS name or IP address on the Name page.
9. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



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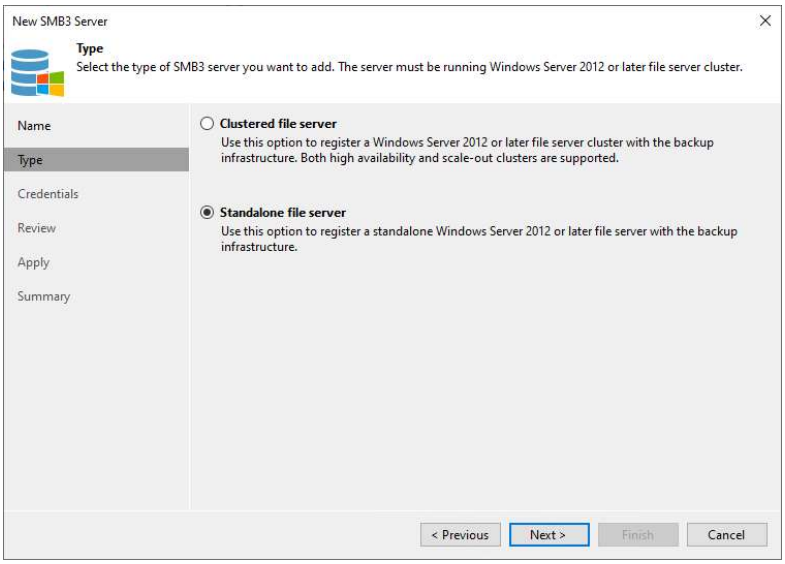
10. On the Type page, Choose the type of Microsoft SMB3 server you want to add and click Next.



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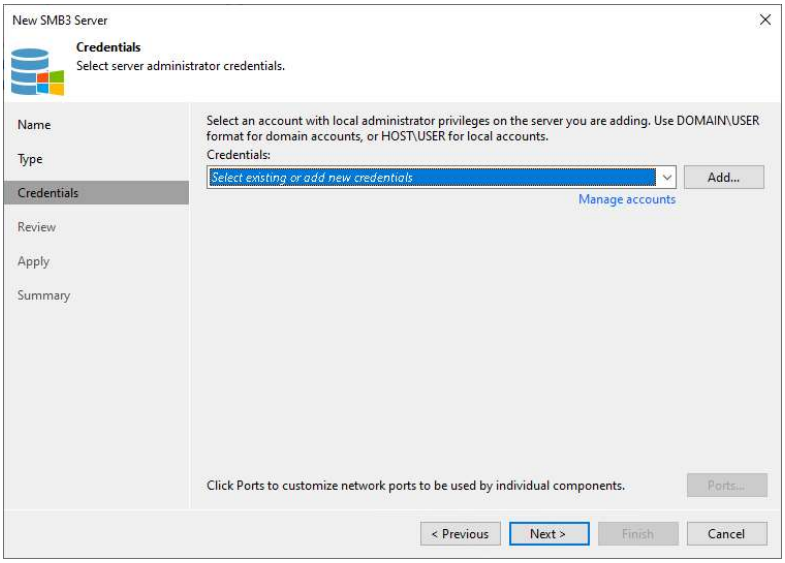

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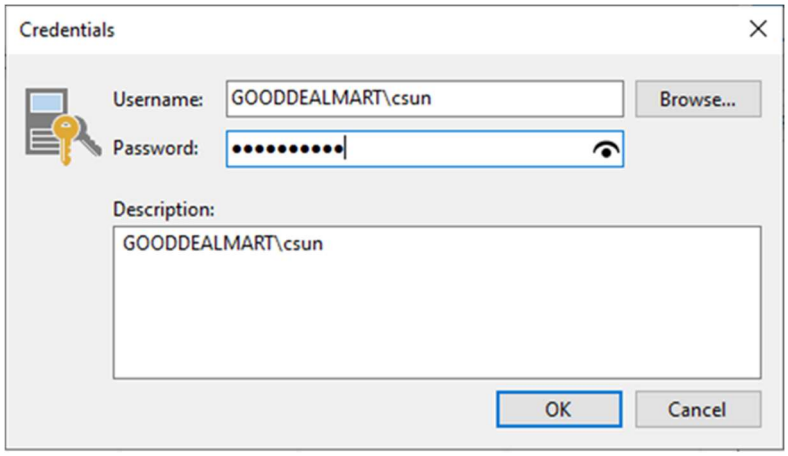
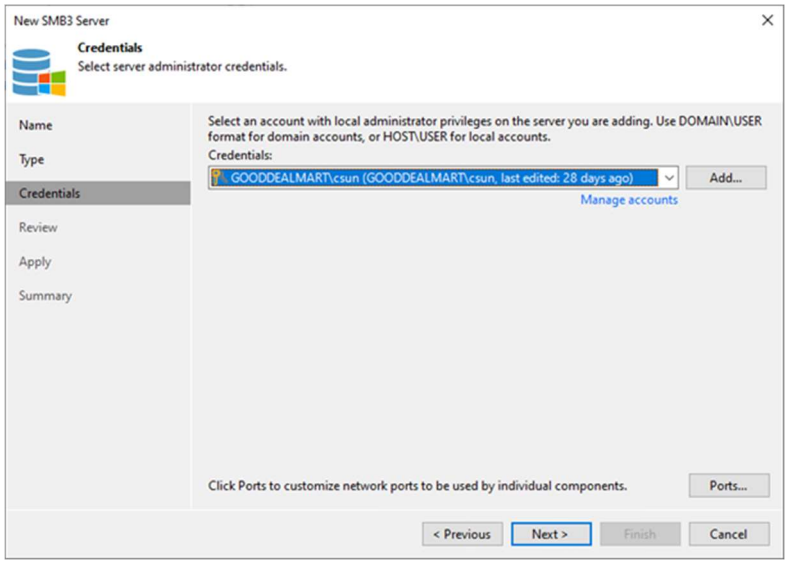


15. On the Credentials page, click Ports.



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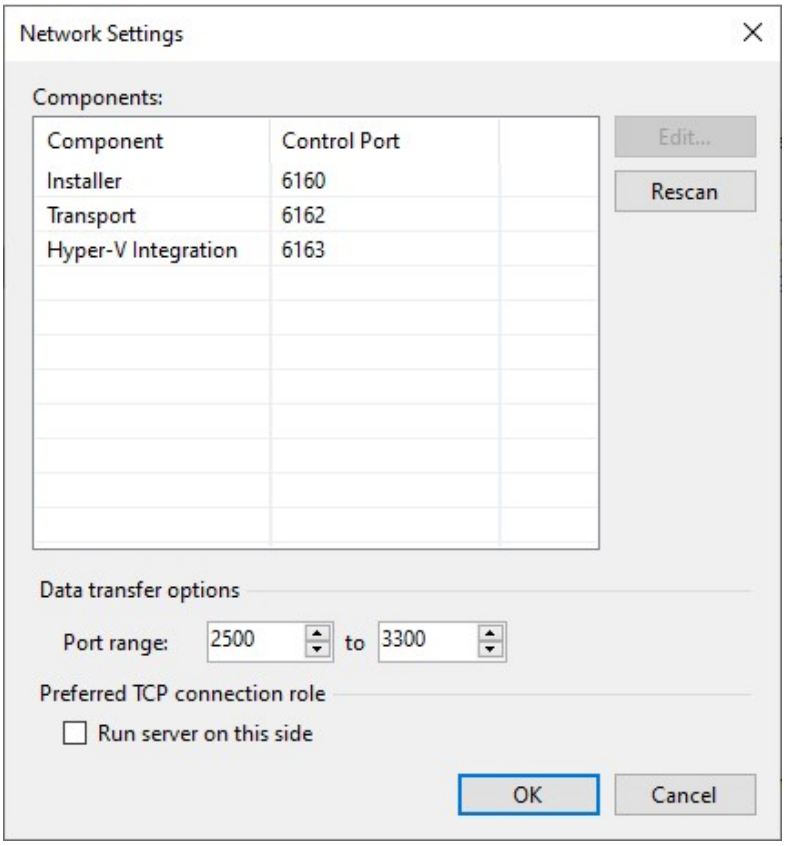
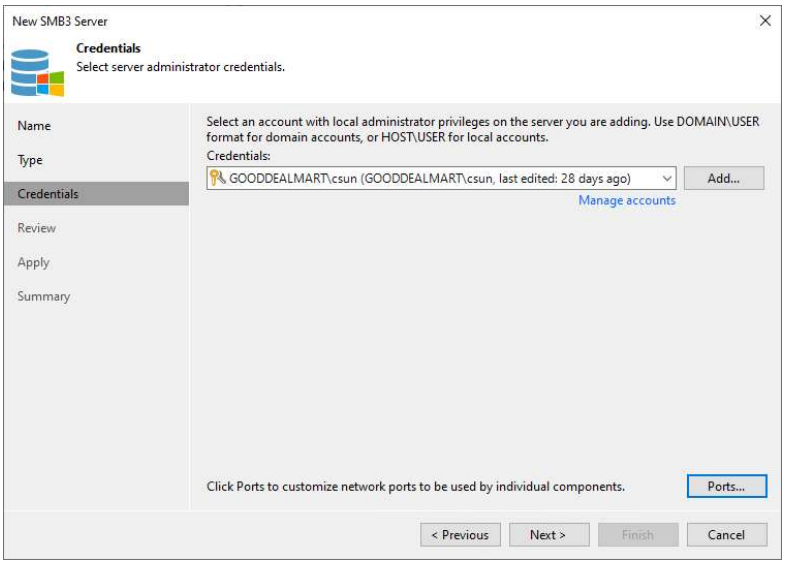
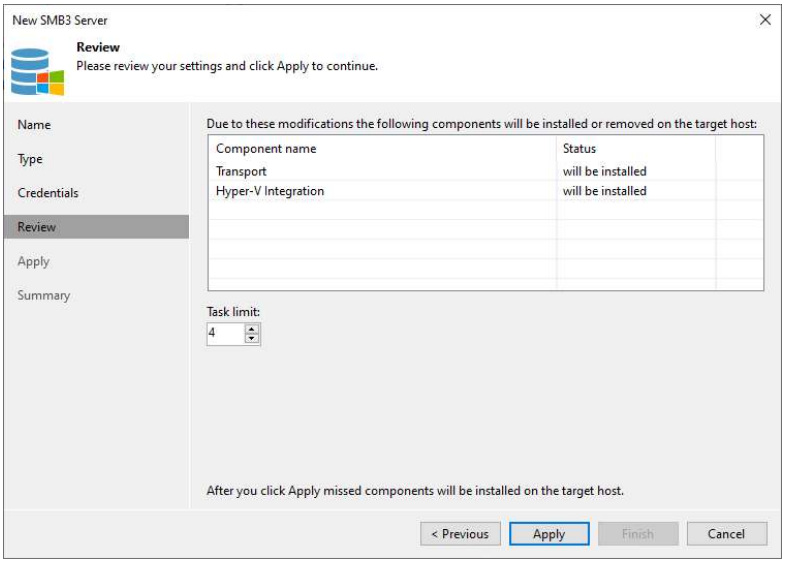


20. Click Next on the Credentials page.



21. If you add a standalone Microsoft Hyper-V host on the Review page, specify the number of tasks the Microsoft Hyper-V host must handle concurrently in the Task limit field.
22. Click Apply.



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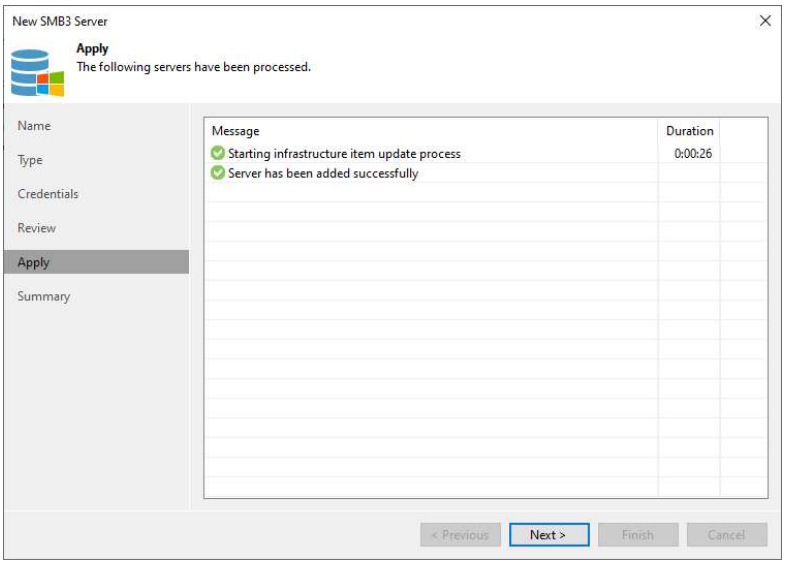

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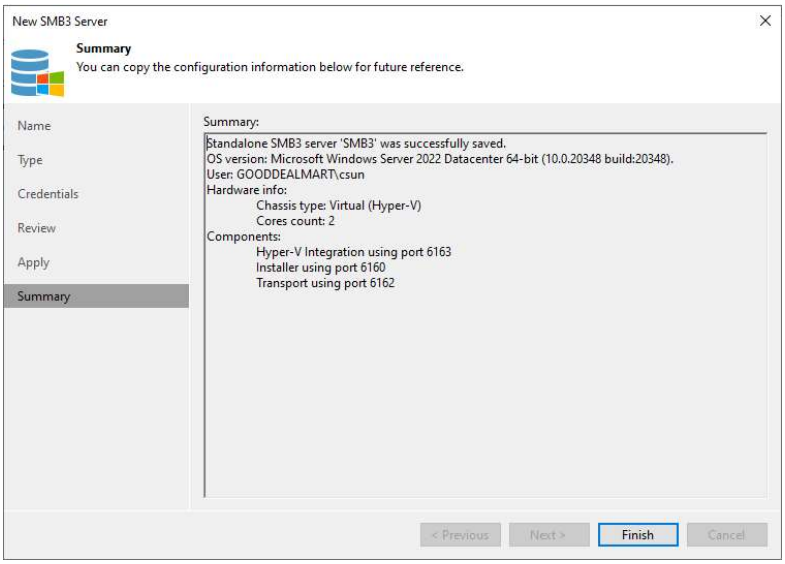
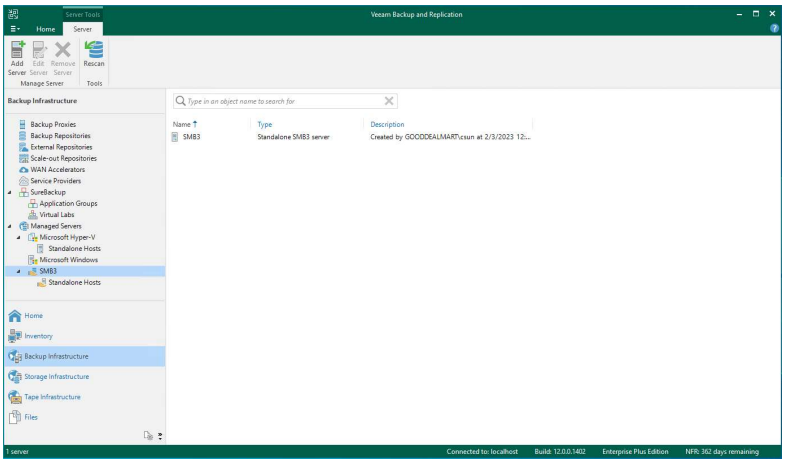


24. Ensure the new Microsoft SMB3 server is added.



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Add Microsoft Windows Servers

Suppose you plan to use as backup infrastructure components and servers that you plan to use for various types of restore operations. In that case, you must add the Microsoft Windows servers to the backup infrastructure.

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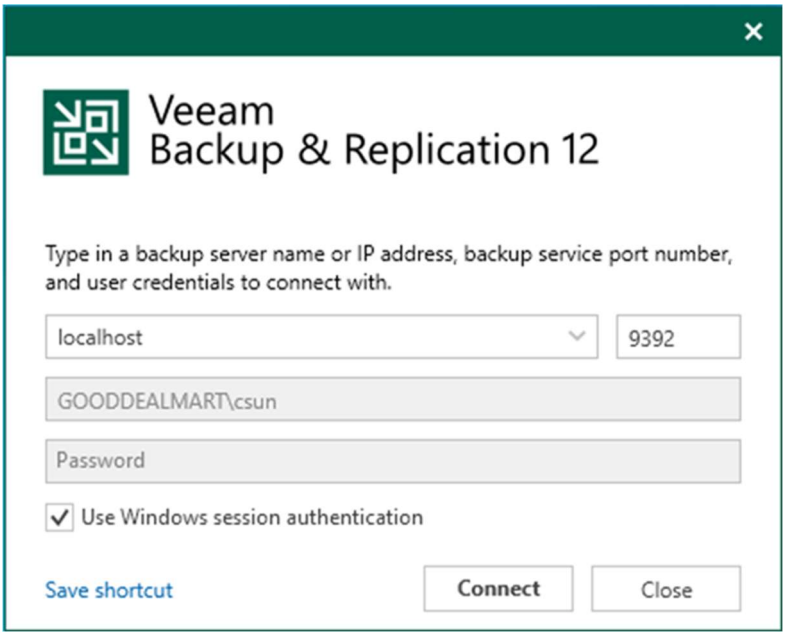
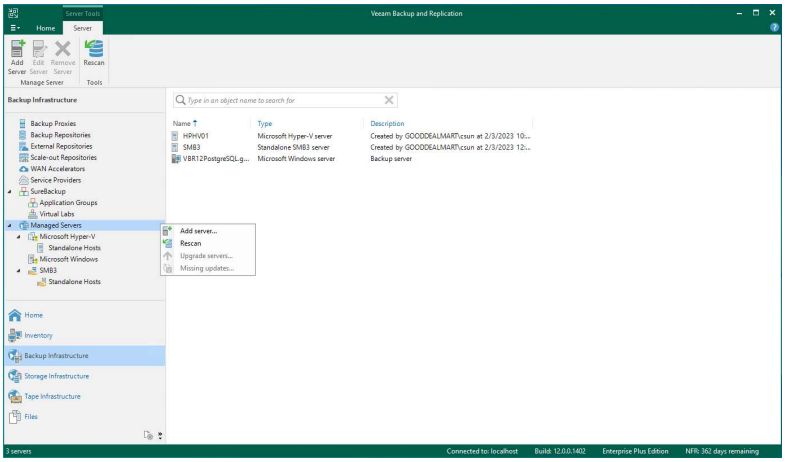
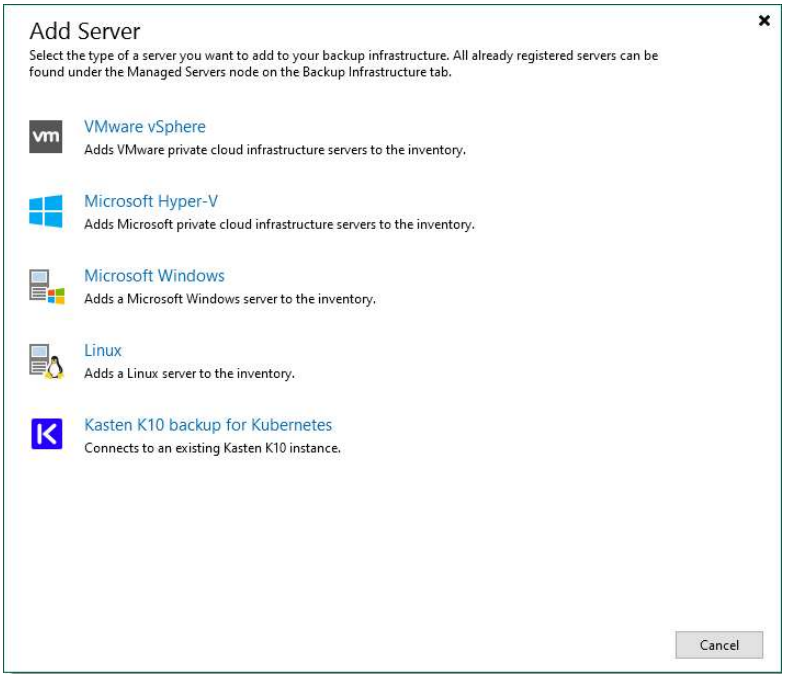
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	

3. On the Home page, select Backup Infrastructure.
4. On the Backup Infrastructure page, select Managed Servers.
5. Right-click Managed Servers and select Add Server.



6. On the Add Server page, select Microsoft Windows.



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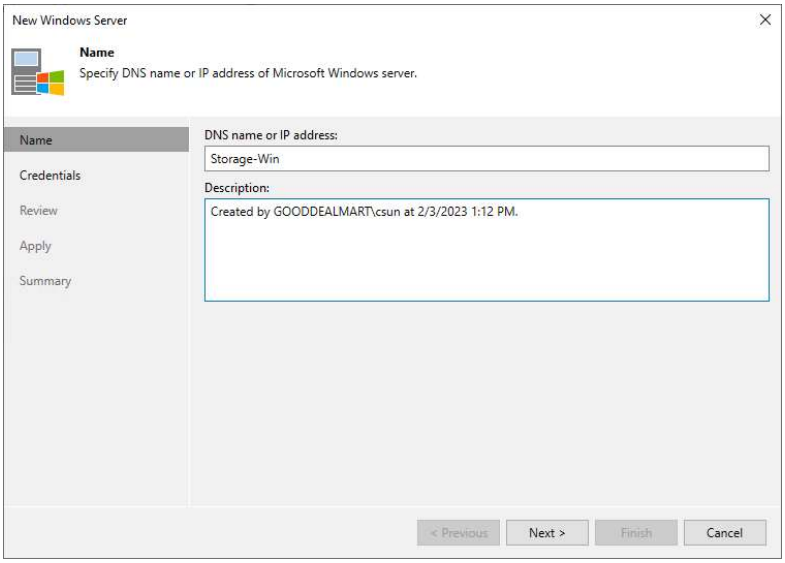
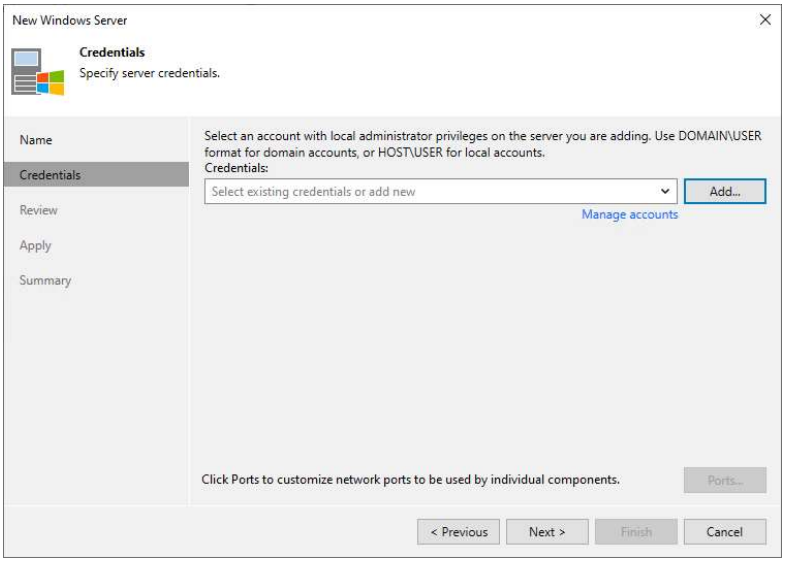
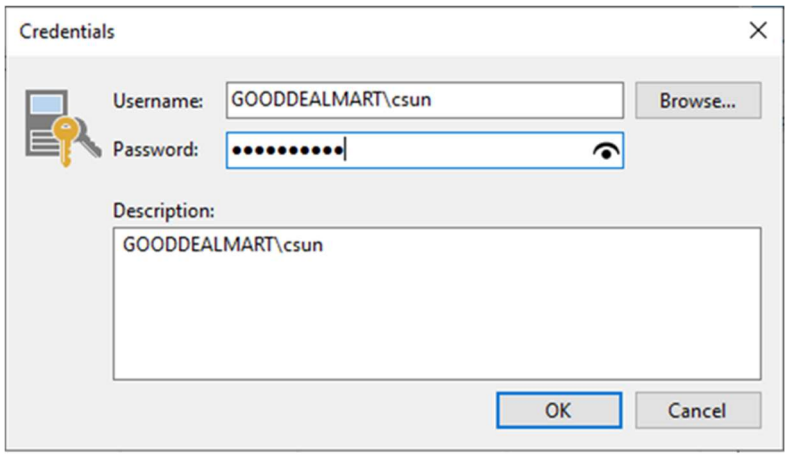
7. Enter the Microsoft Windows server's full DNS name or IP address on the Name page.
8. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



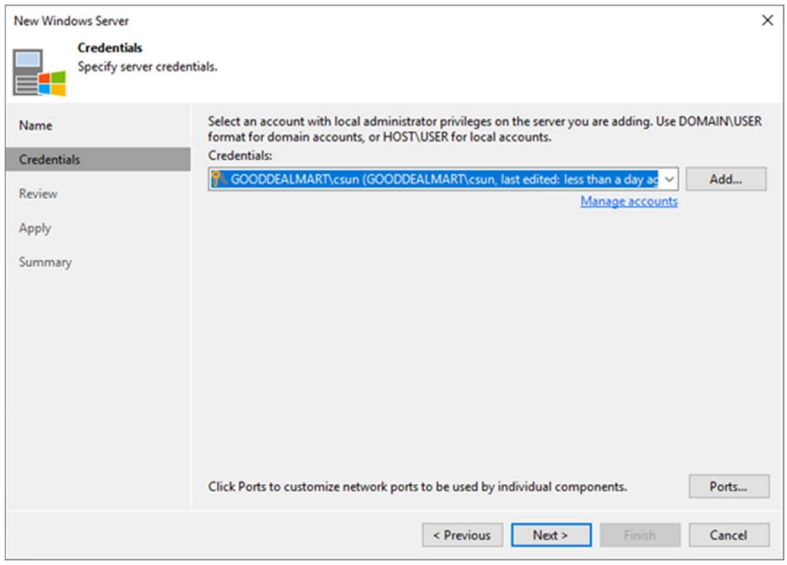
9. Select an account from the Credentials drop-down list on the Credentials page or click Add on the right to add the credentials.



10. On the Credentials page, enter a user name in the Username field. You also can click Browse to select an existing user account.
11. Enter the password In the Password field.
12. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click OK.



13. On the Credentials page, click Ports.



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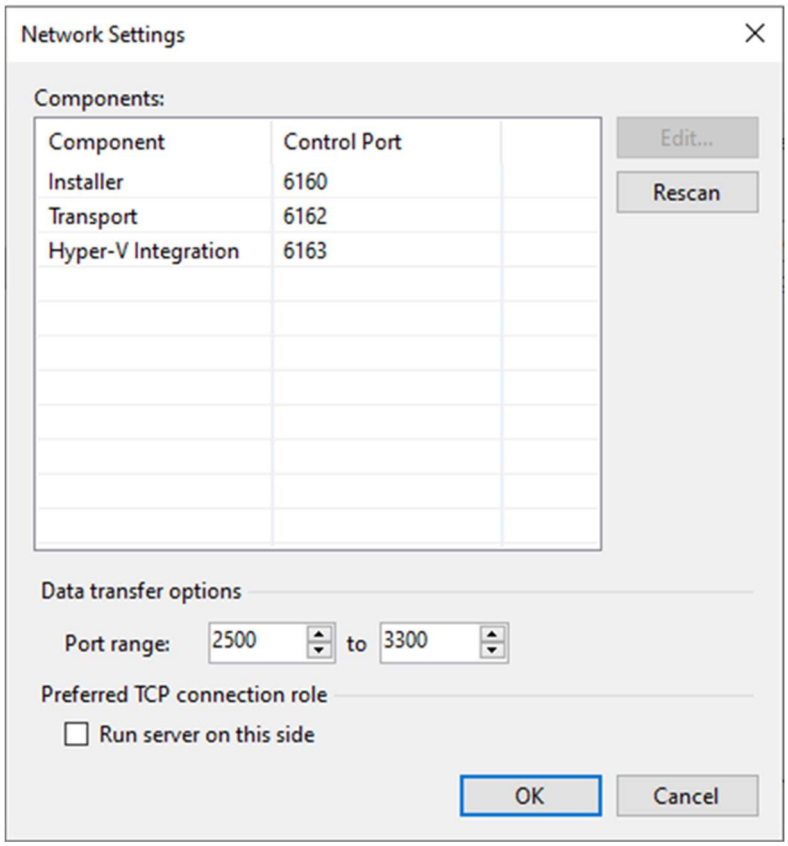
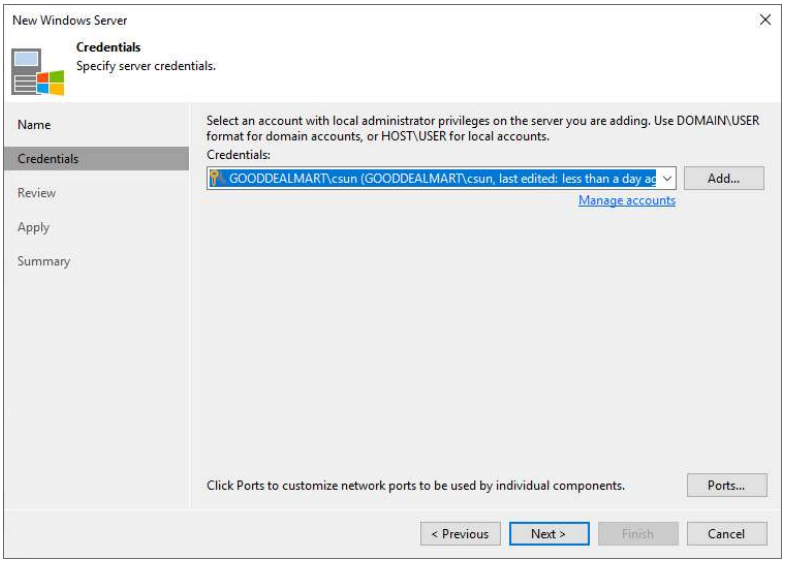
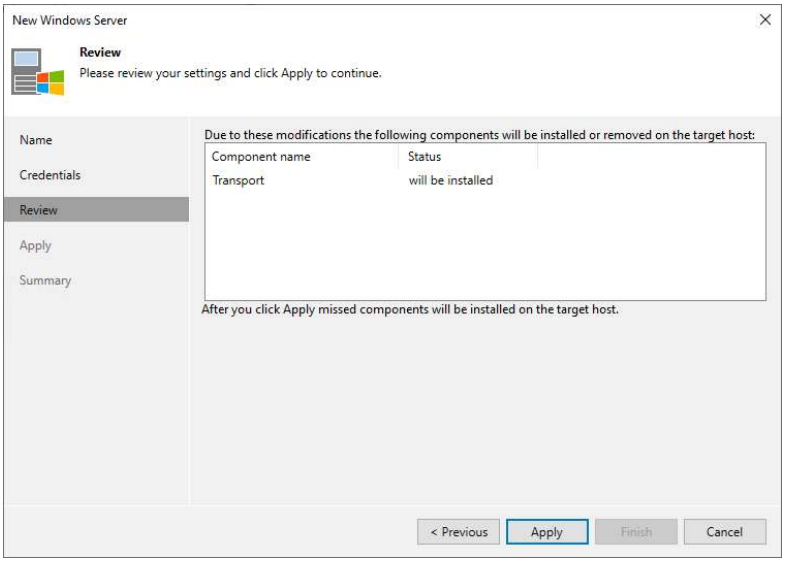
14. If necessary, change the network ports used by Veeam Backup & Replication components on the Network Settings page.
15. Configure connection settings for file copy operations in the Network Settings window's Data transfer options section. Provide a set of ports for transmission channels between the source and target hosts (one port per task).
16. Select the Run server on this side checkbox in the Preferred TCP connection role section. The outside client cannot connect to the server on the NAT network in the NAT scenario. As a result, services that require external connection initiation may be disrupted.
17. Click OK.



18. On the Credentials page, click Next.



19. On the Review page, click Apply.



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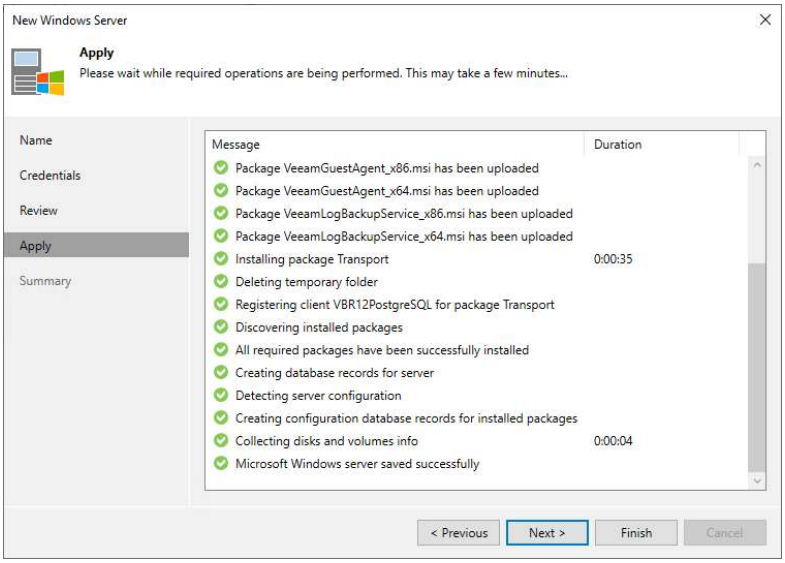

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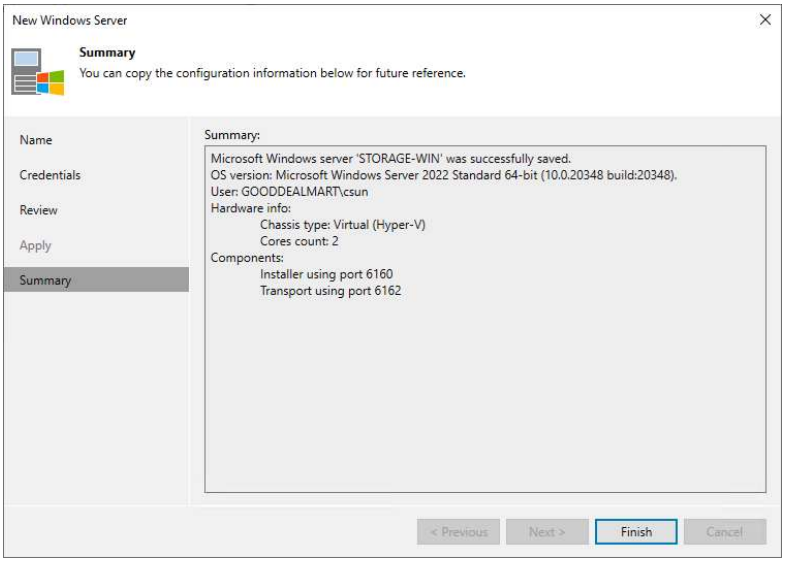
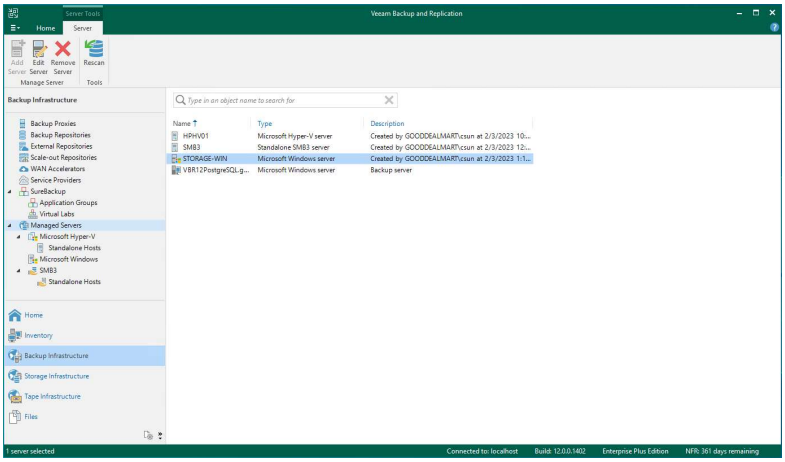


22. Ensure the new Microsoft Windows server is added.



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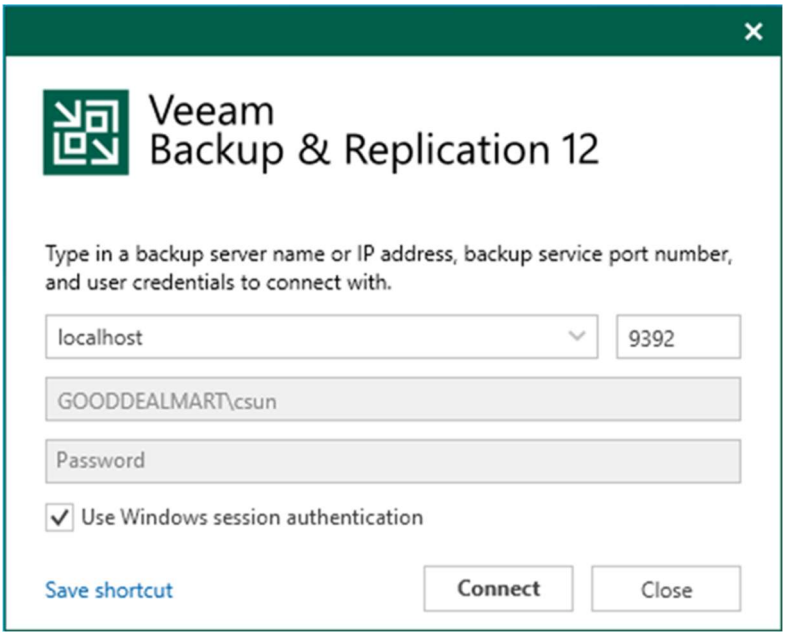
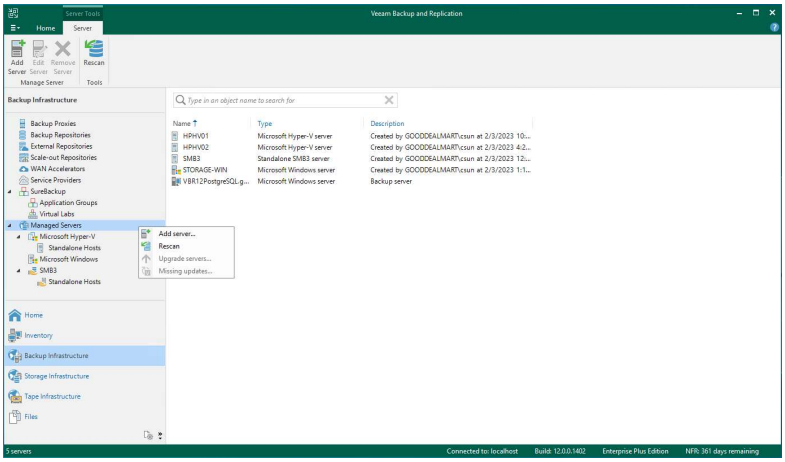
Add Linux Server for a hardened repository

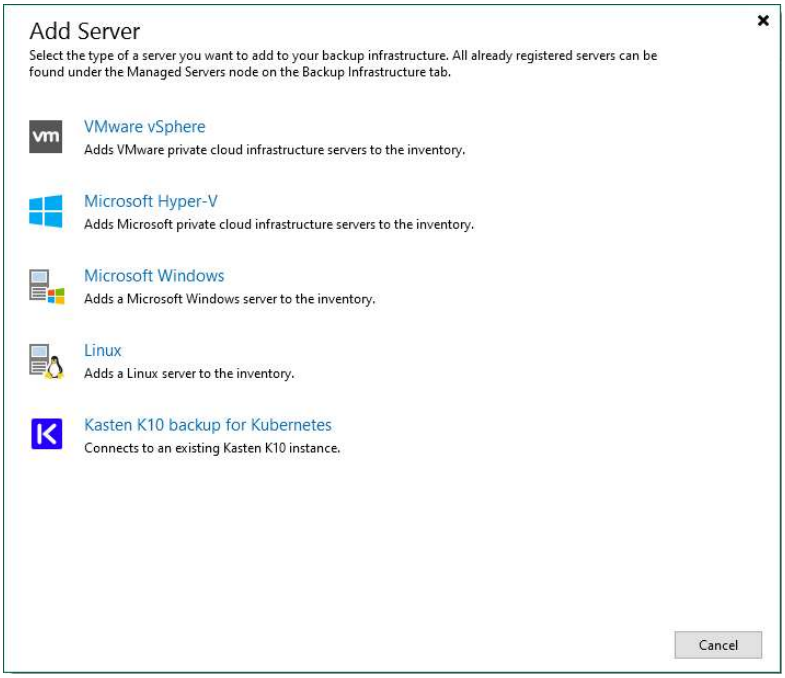
Suppose you plan to use backup infrastructure components and servers that you plan to use for various types of restore operations. In that case, you must add the Linux servers to the backup infrastructure.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	

3. On the Home page, select Backup Infrastructure.
4. On the Backup Infrastructure page, select Managed Servers.
5. Right-click Managed Servers and select Add Server.



6. Select Linux on the Add Server page.



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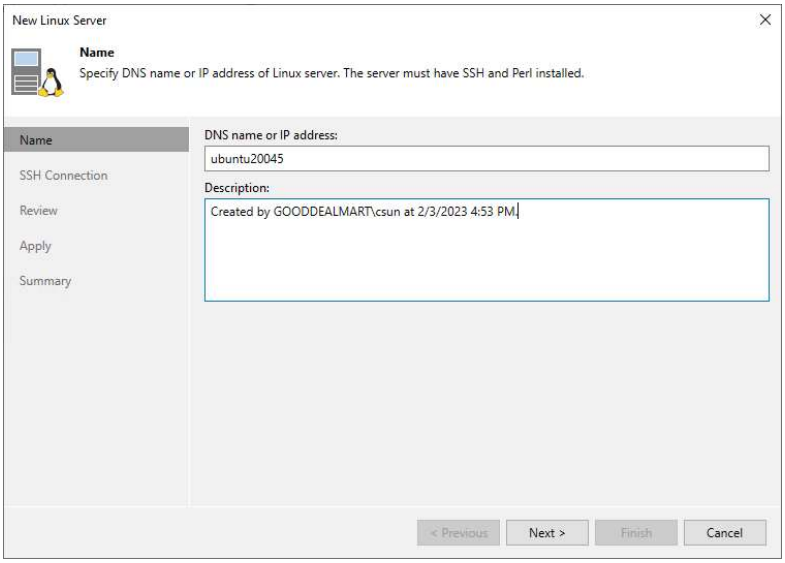
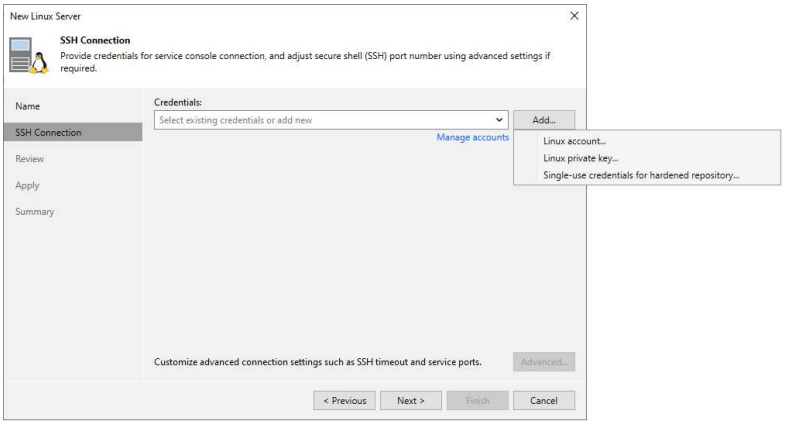
7. Enter the Linux server's full DNS name or IP address on the Name page.
8. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



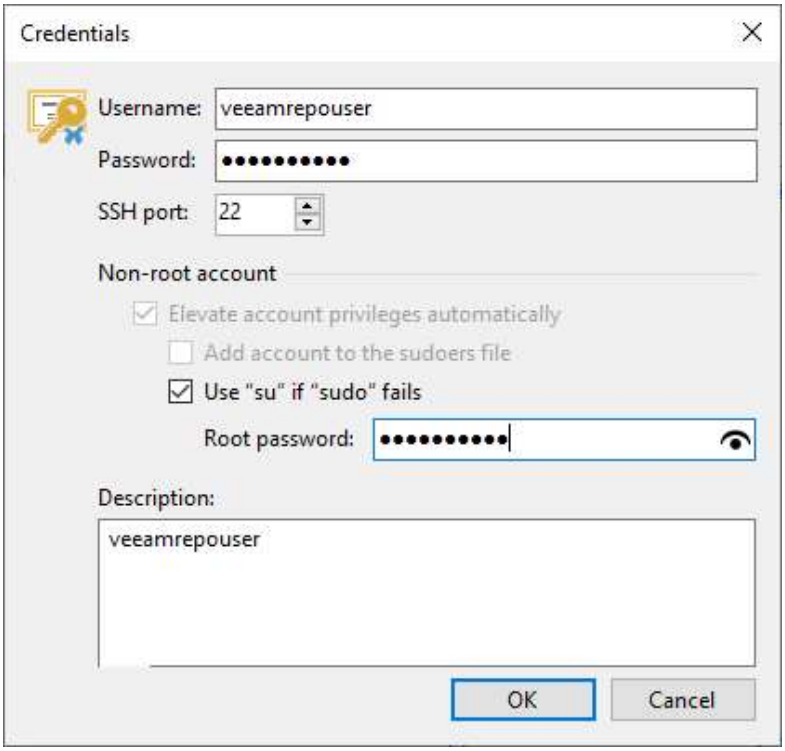
9. Click Add on the SSH Connection page and select Single-use credential for the hardened repository.

Note:

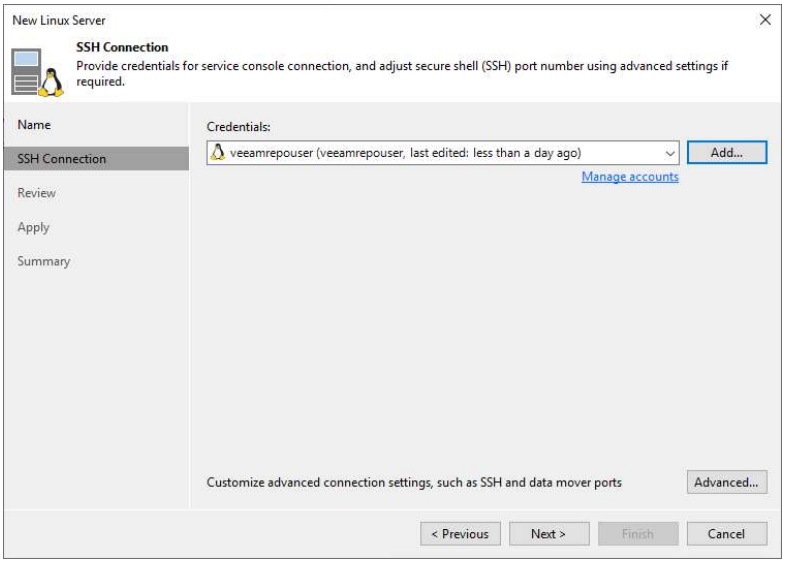
These credentials are not saved by Veeam Backup & Replication. They are only used to install Veeam Data Mover on the server. These credentials reduce the rights of the Veeam Data Mover. Single-use or temporary credentials are recommended options for a hardened repository.



10. On the Credentials page, Enter a username
11. Enter a user name in the Username field.
12. Enter a password in the Password field.
13. Enter 22 in the SSH port field.
14. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click OK.



15. On the SSH Connection page, click Advanced.



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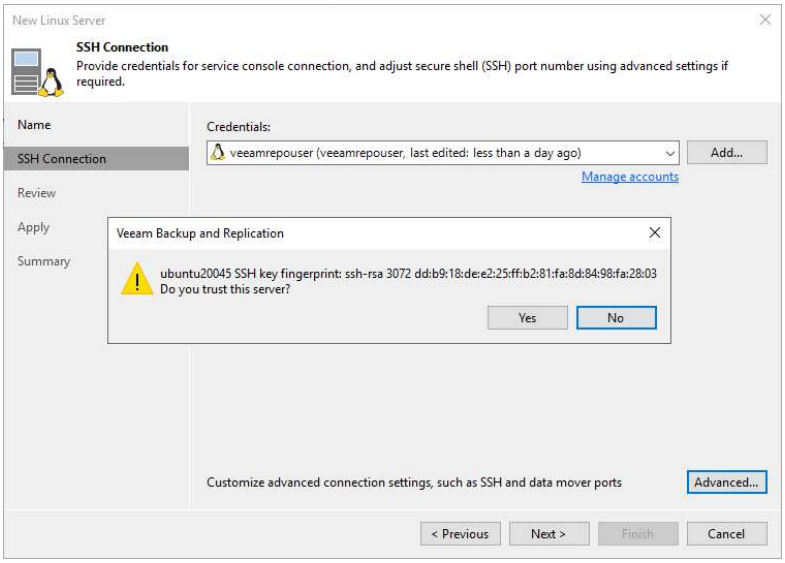
16. Select Yes on the trust warning message page.



17. If necessary, change the network ports used by Veeam Backup & Replication components on the Network Settings page.
18. In the Service console connection section, enter an SSH timeout. The default timeout is set to 20000 ms.
19. Configure connection settings for file copy operations in the Network Settings window's Data transfer options section. Provide a set of ports for transmission channels between the source and target hosts (one port per task).
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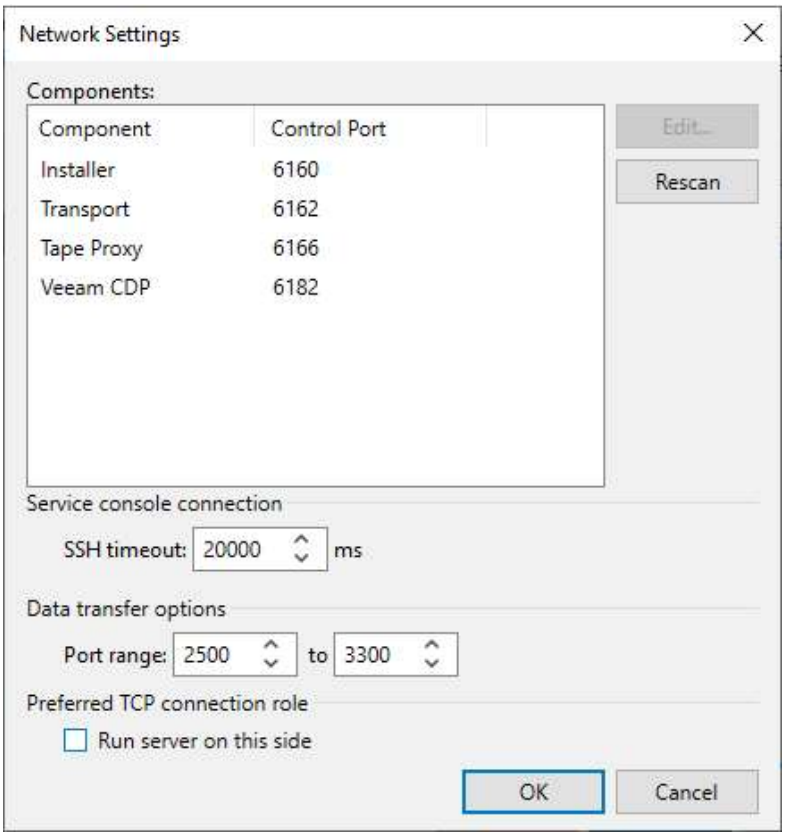

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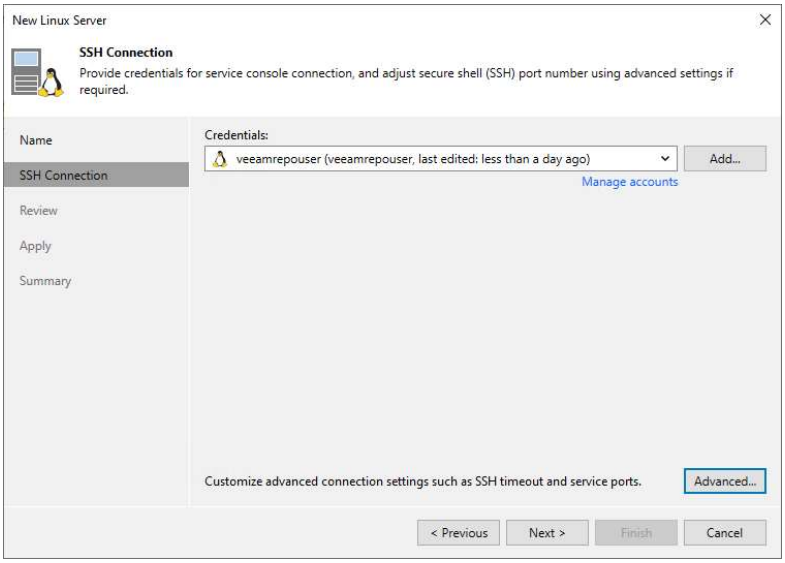
21. Click OK.

22. Click Next on the SSH Connection page.



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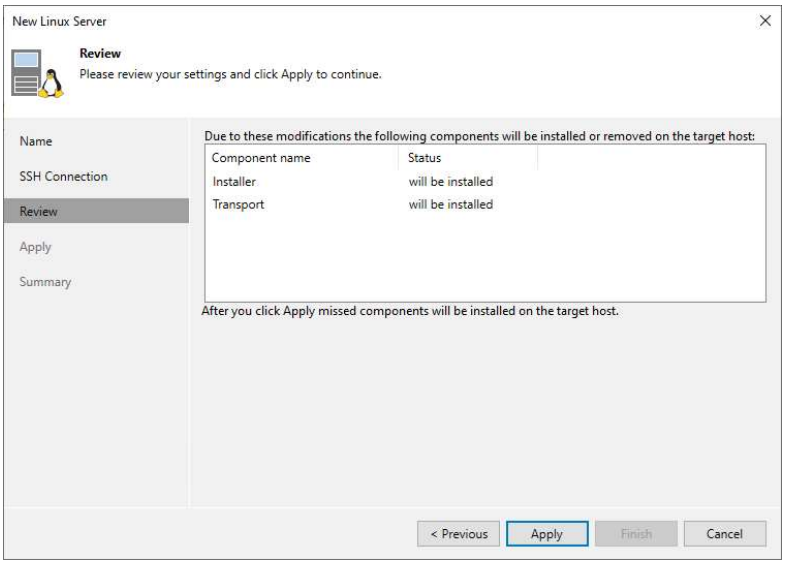

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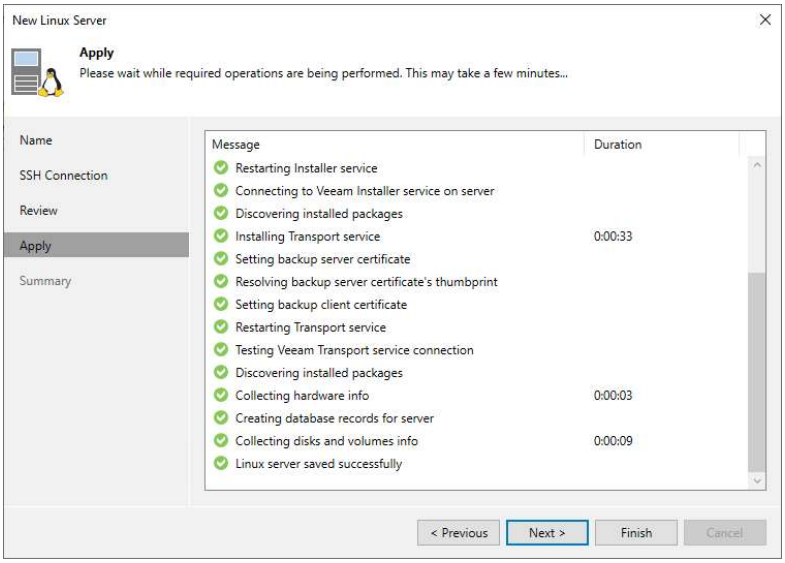

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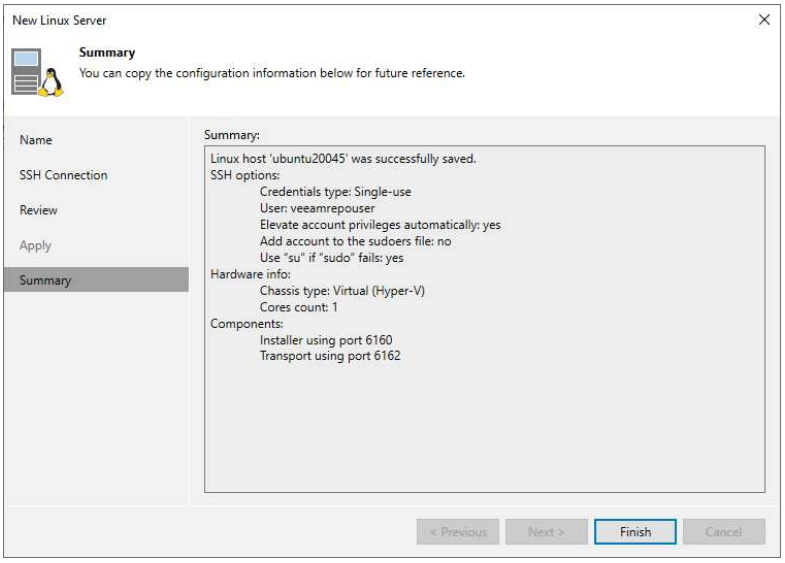

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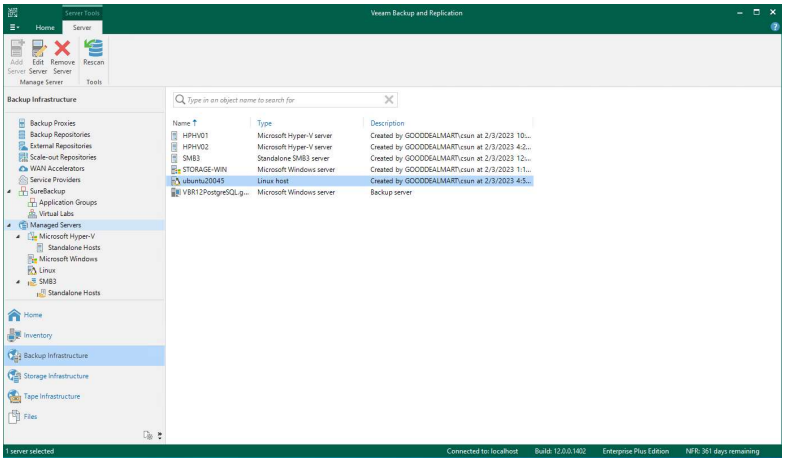
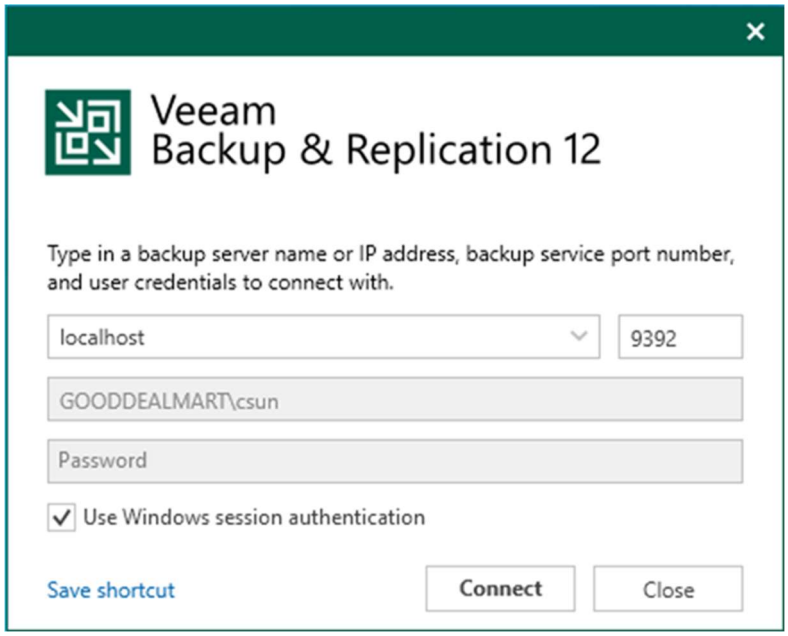
26. Ensure the new Linux server is added.



Add Off-Host Backup proxy servers

Off-Host Backup proxy servers will retrieve VM data from the source datastore, process it and transfer it to the destination. The off-host backup proxy removes unwanted overhead on the production Hyper-V host.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	

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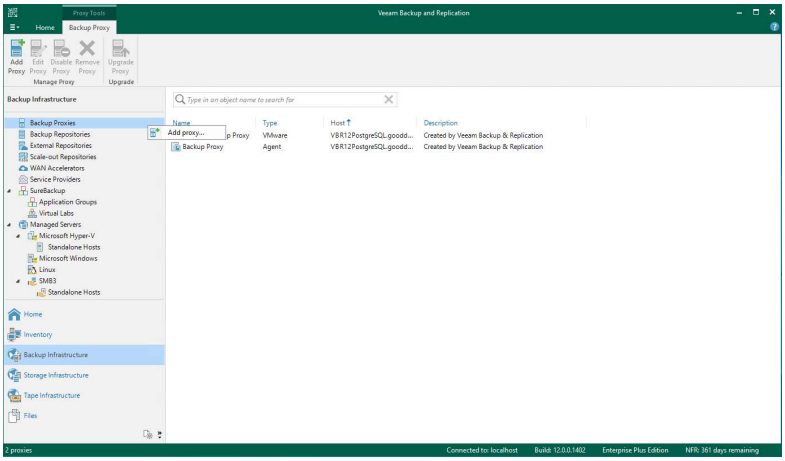
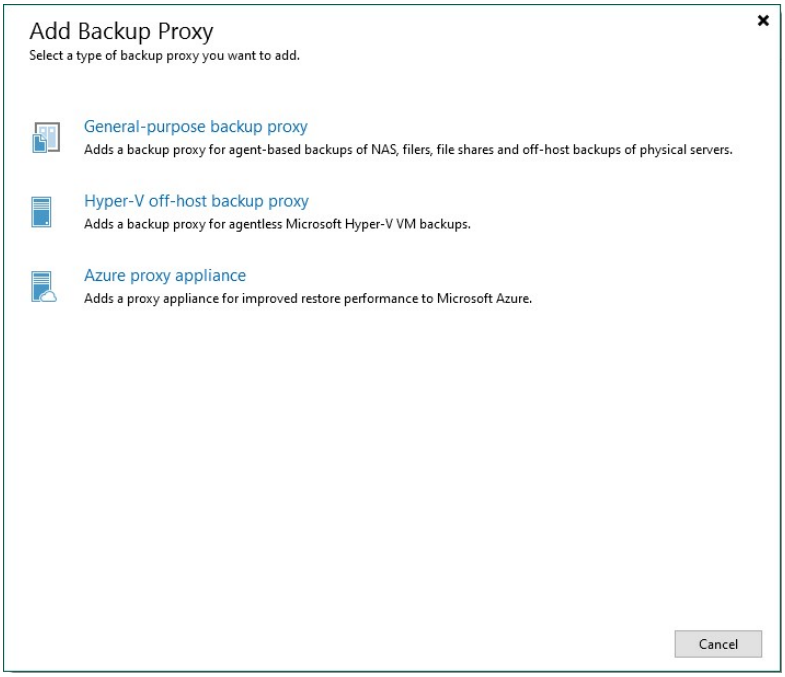
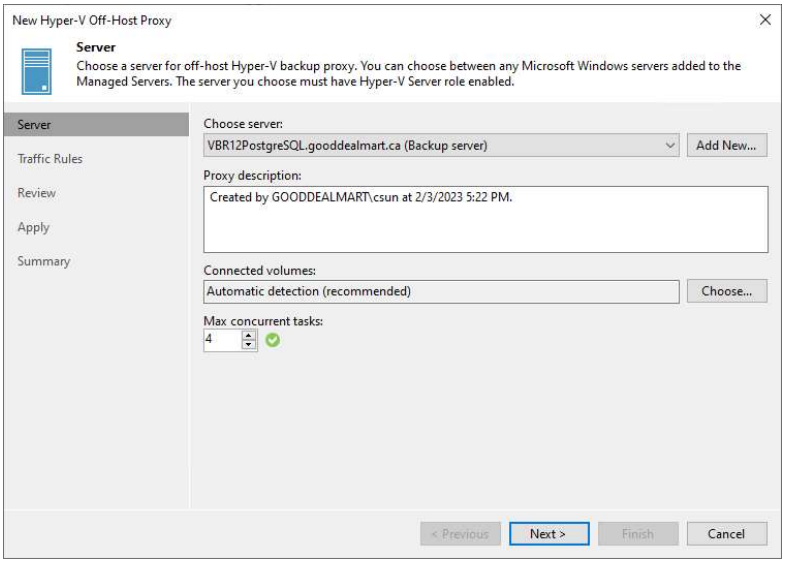
3. On the Home page, select Backup Infrastructure.
4. On the Backup Infrastructure page, select Backup Proxies.
5. Right-click Backup Proxies and select Add Proxies.



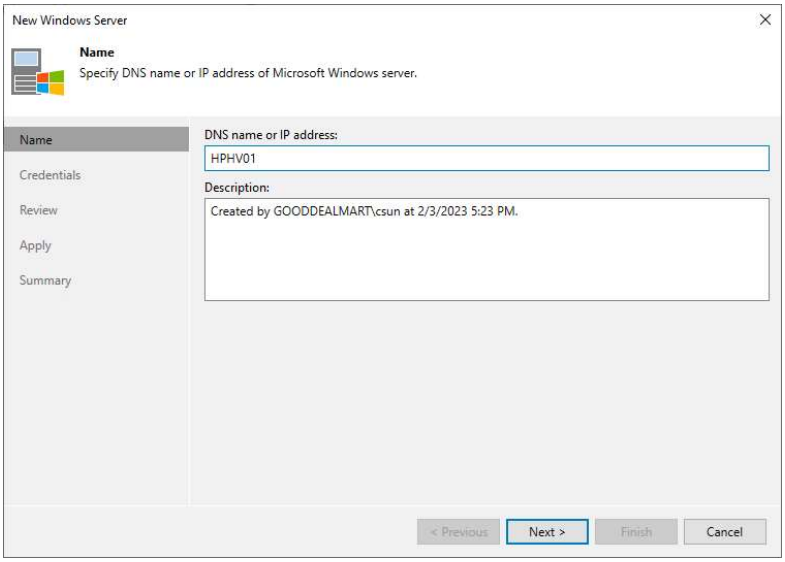
6. Select Hyper-V off-host backup proxy on the Add Backup Proxy page.



7. Click Add New in the Choose server field on the Server page.



8. Enter the Microsoft Windows server's full DNS name or IP address on the Name page.
9. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



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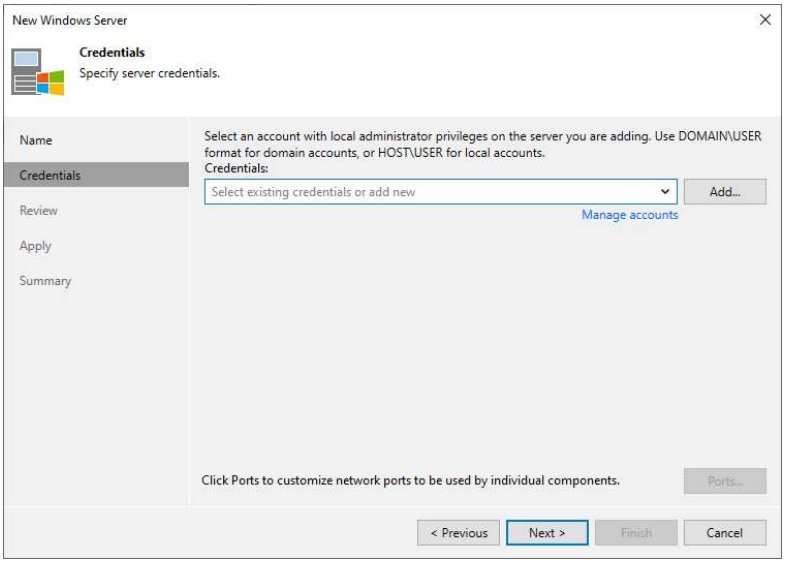
10. Select an account from the Credentials drop-down list on the Credentials page or click Add on the right to add the credentials.



11. On the Credentials page, enter a user name in the Username field. You also can click Browse to select an existing user account.
12. Enter the password In the Password field.
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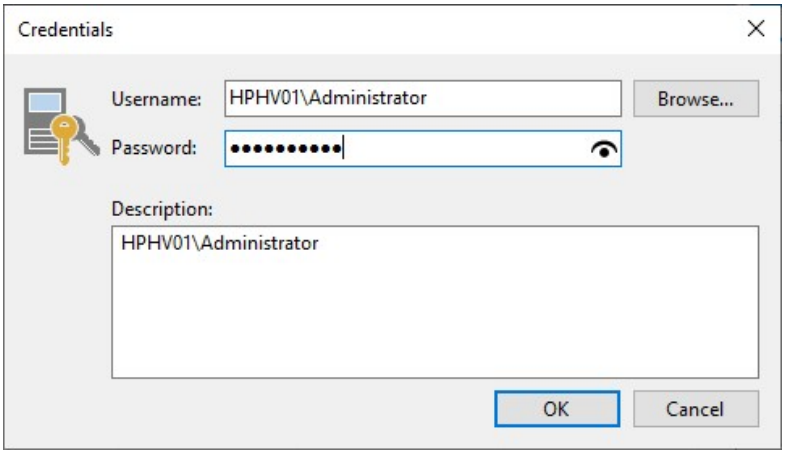
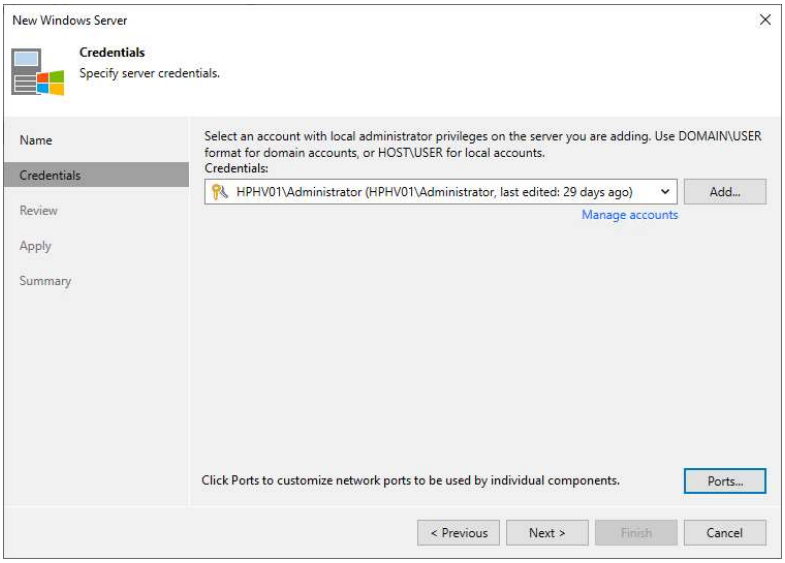


14. On the Credentials page, click Ports.



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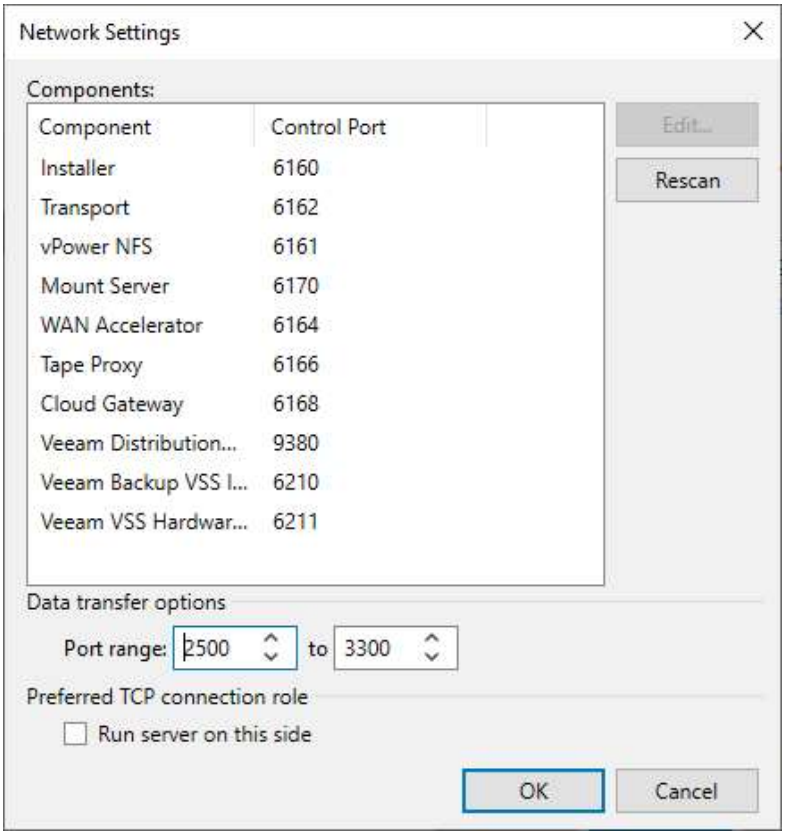
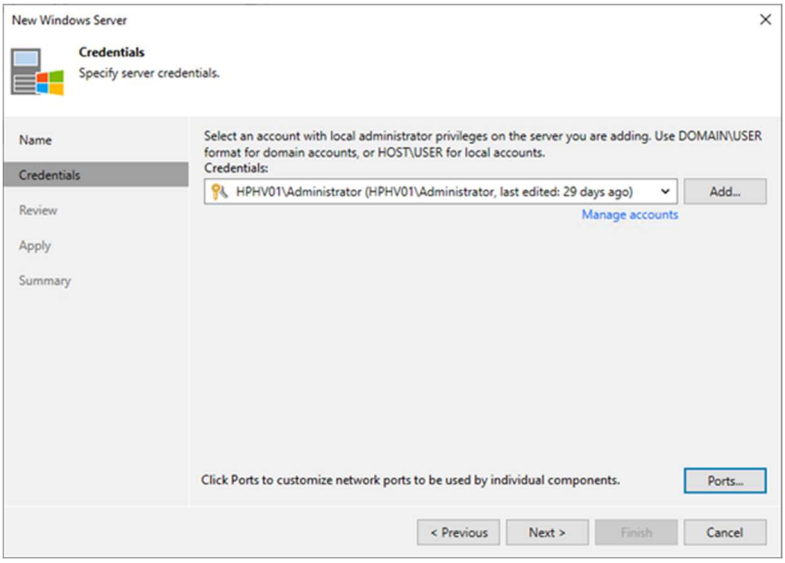


19. Click Next on the Credentials page.



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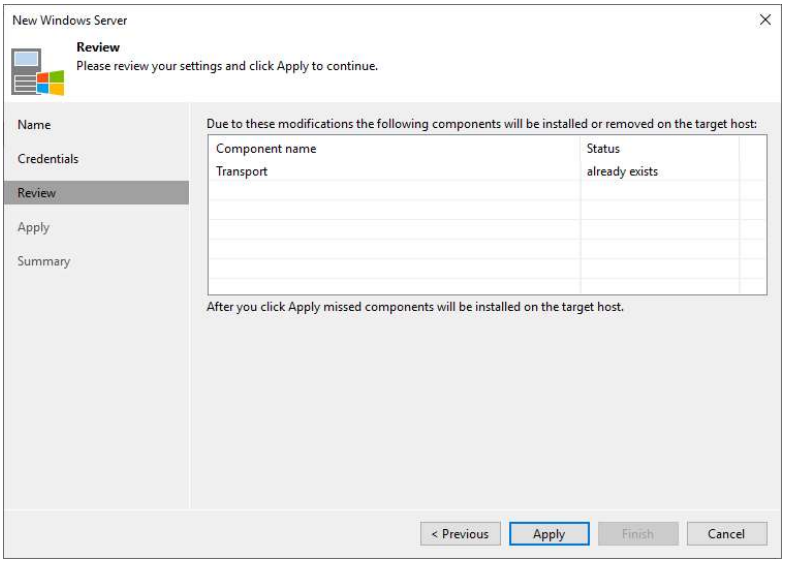

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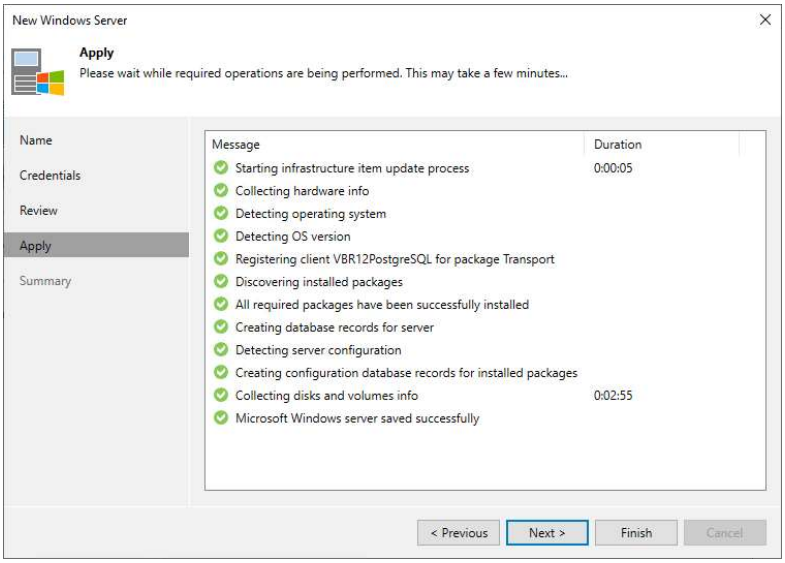

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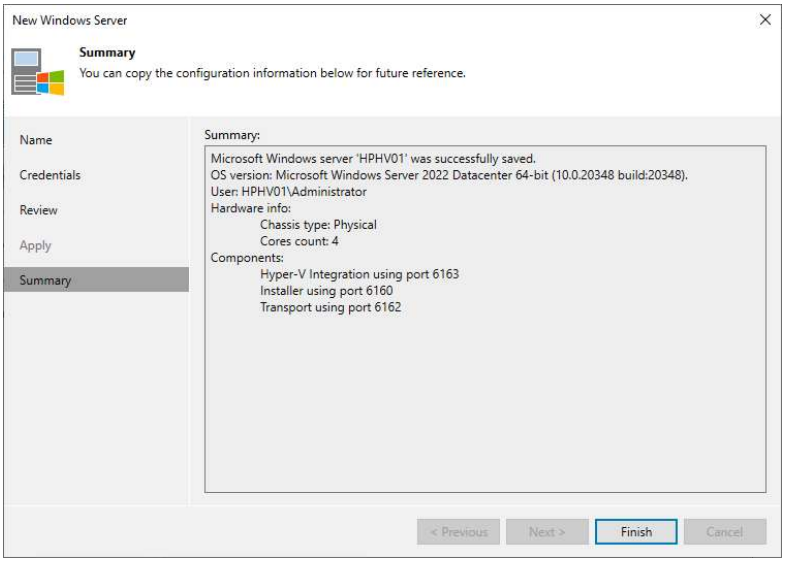
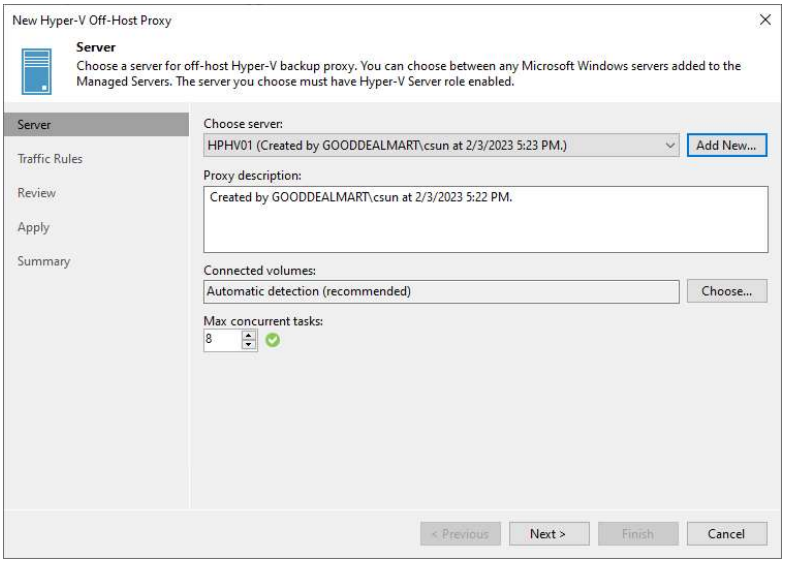
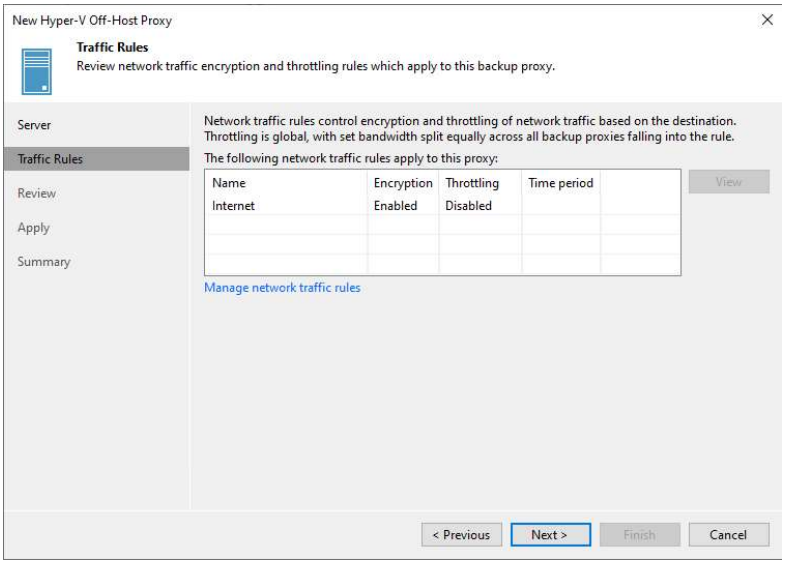


23. Give a brief description in the Proxy description field for future reference.
24. In the Connected volumes field, leave the default settings.
25. Enter the number of tasks the off-host backup proxy must handle concurrently in the Max concurrent tasks field.
26. Click Next.



27. On the Traffic Rules page, click Next.
28. You can open global network traffic settings and modify them directly from the New Hyper-V Off-Host Proxy wizard. To do this, click the Manage network traffic rules link at the bottom of the wizard.



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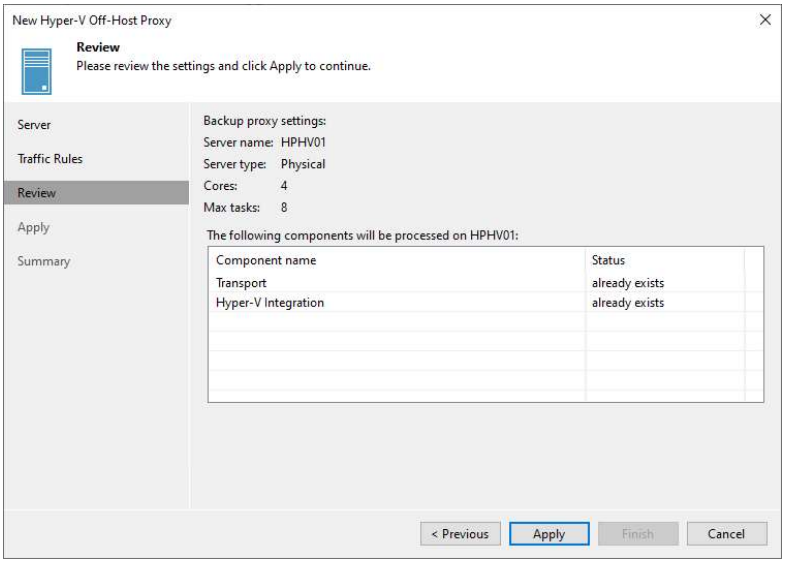

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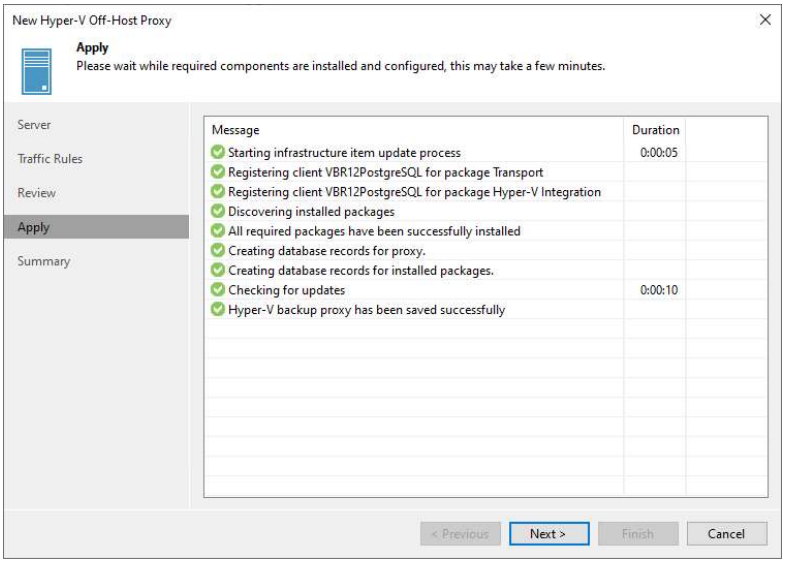

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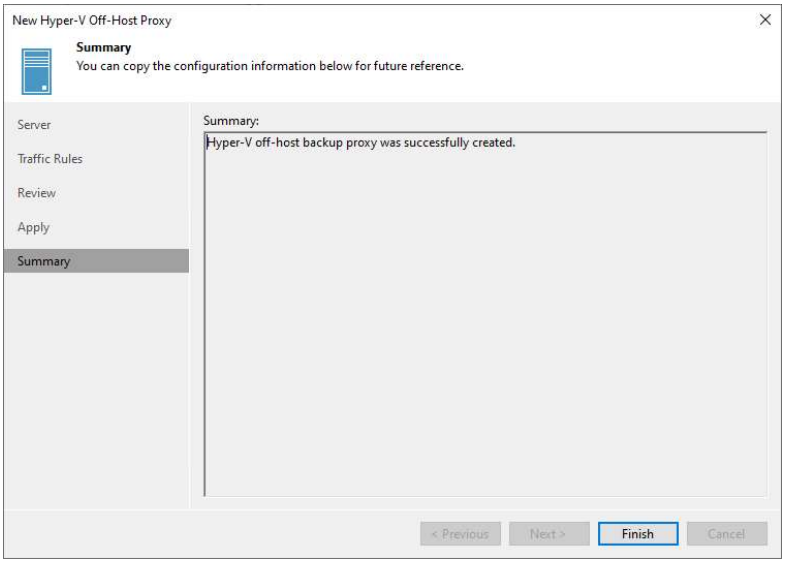
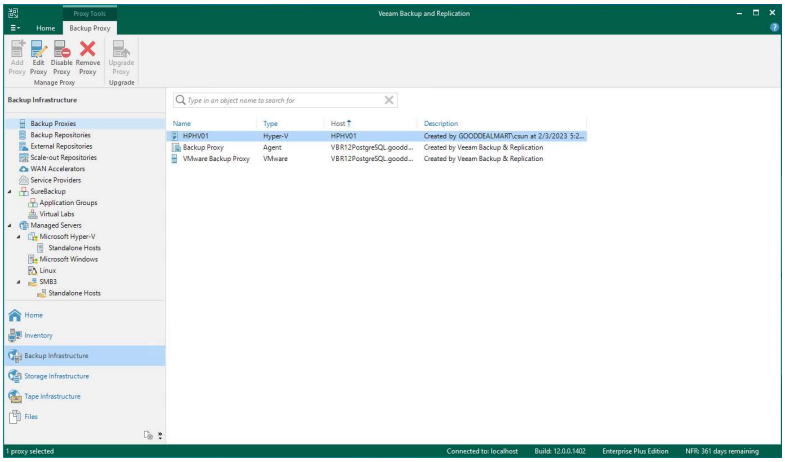


32. Ensure the new Off-Host Backup proxy server is added.



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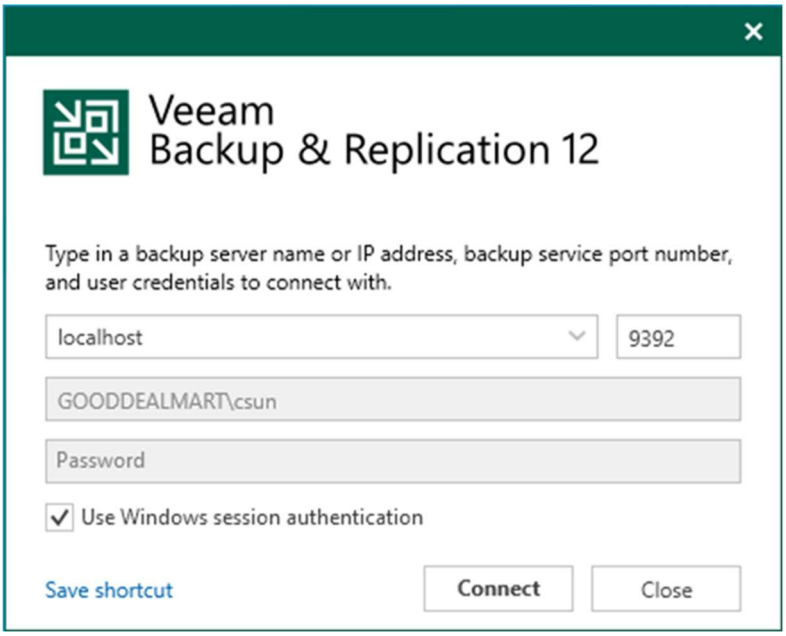
Add WAN Acceleration

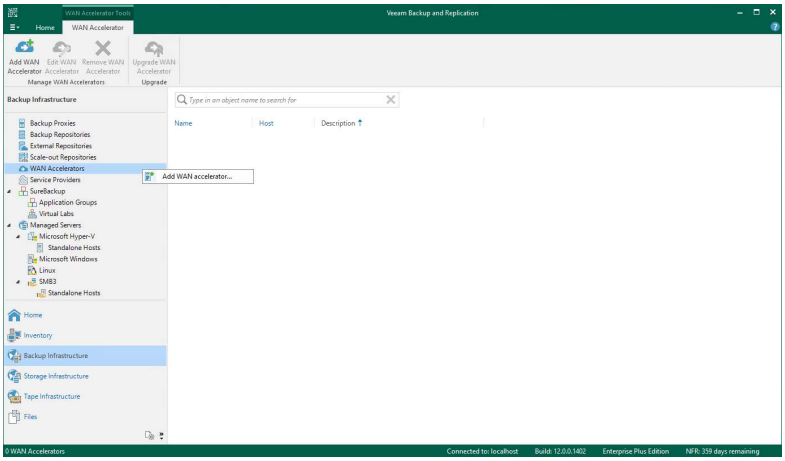
Veeam's WAN acceleration technology optimizes data transfer to remote locations. It is explicitly designed for off-site backup copy and replication jobs. You must deploy a pair of WAN accelerators in your backup infrastructure to enable WAN acceleration and data deduplication technologies.

Note:

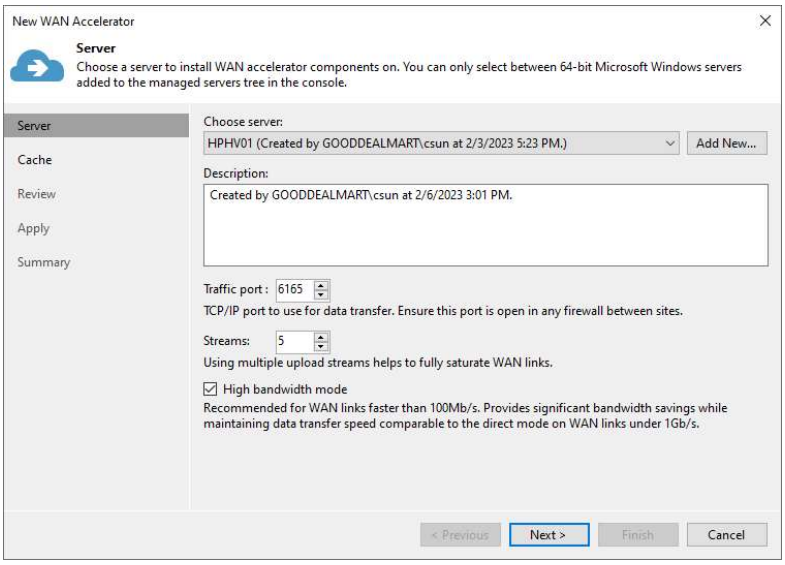
The Veeam Universal License includes WAN acceleration. Veeam Backup & Replication Enterprise or Enterprise Plus editions are required when using a legacy socket-based licence.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

3. On the Home page, select Backup Infrastructure.
4. On the Backup Infrastructure page, select WAN Accelerators.
5. Right-click WAN Accelerators and select Add WAN Accelerator.



6. Select a Microsoft Windows server from the Choose server drop-down list on the Server page.
7. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference.
8. Specify the port number in the Traffic port field.
9. Specify the number of connections in the Streams field. If the link has low latency and high bandwidth, the default setting (5 streams) may sufficiently saturate it thoroughly. However, the link still needs to be fully utilized the number of streams may be increased. According to



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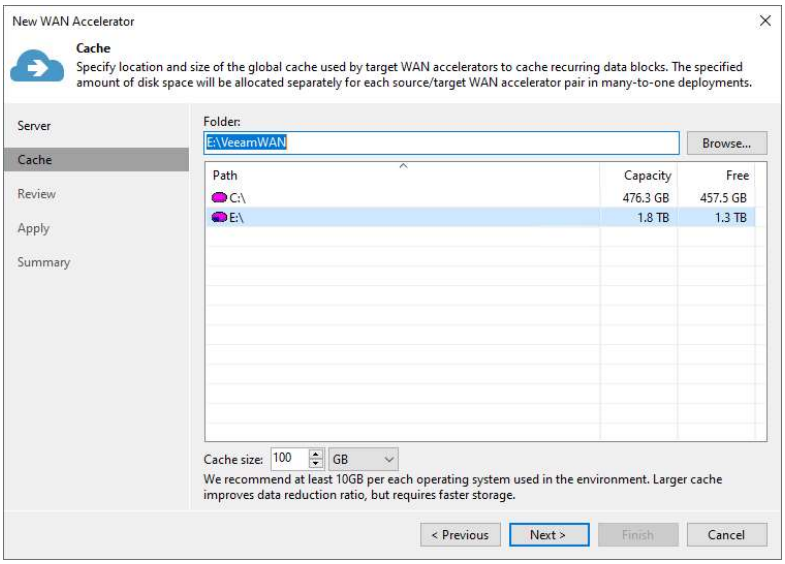
tests, multiplying the link speed by 1.5 is a good best practice for estimating the number of streams required for high latency.

10. Veeam recommends using the High bandwidth mode option if your network bandwidth exceeds 100 Mbps. This mode offers significant bandwidth savings on WAN links less than 1 Gbps than the direct method.
11. Click Next.

12. Specify a path to the folder in the Folder field on the Cache page.
13. Specify the size for the global cache in the Cache size field.
14. Click Next.

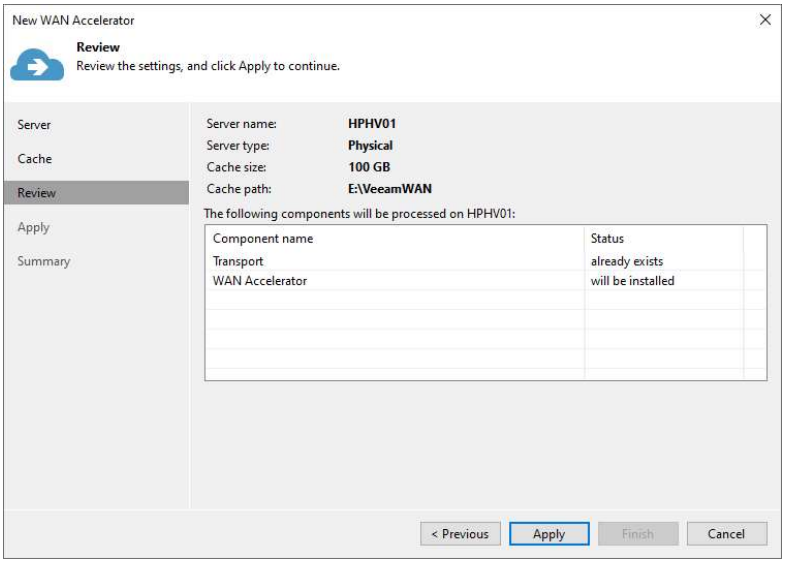


Note:

If both WAN accelerators (source and target) are set to High bandwidth, WAN acceleration does not use the global cache. However, remember that you can deactivate the High

bandwidth mode and return to the Low bandwidth mode anytime.

15. On the Review page, click Apply.



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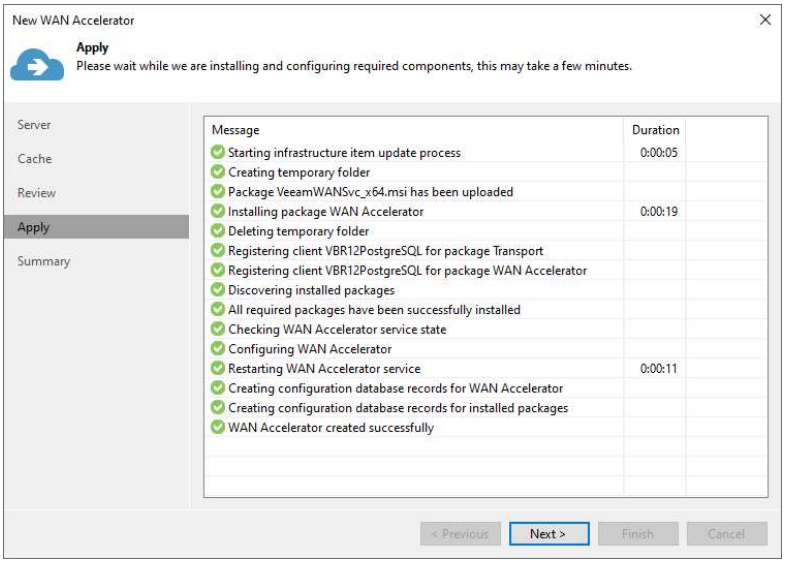
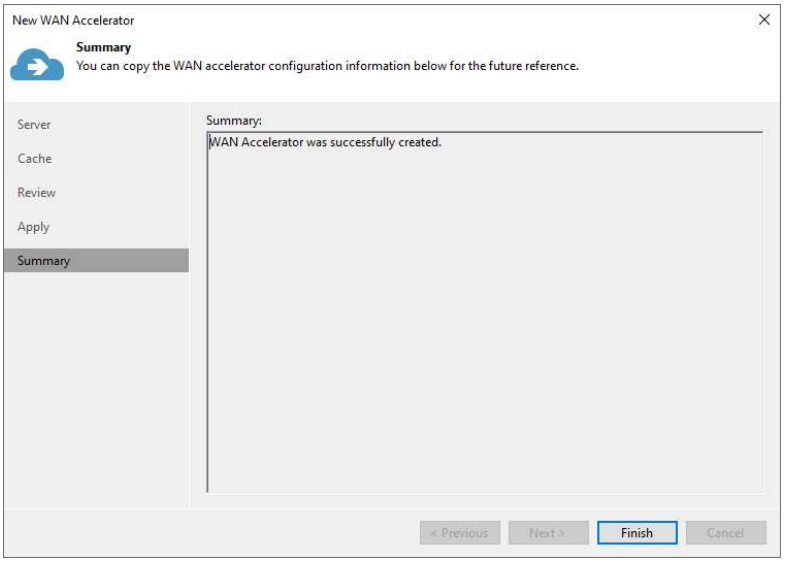
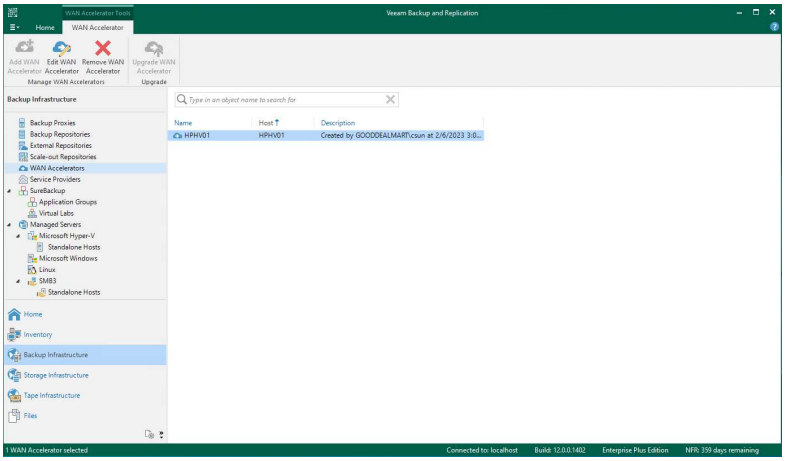
16. Click Next on the Apply page.



17. Click Finish on the Summary page.



18. Verify that the WAN Accelerator has been added.



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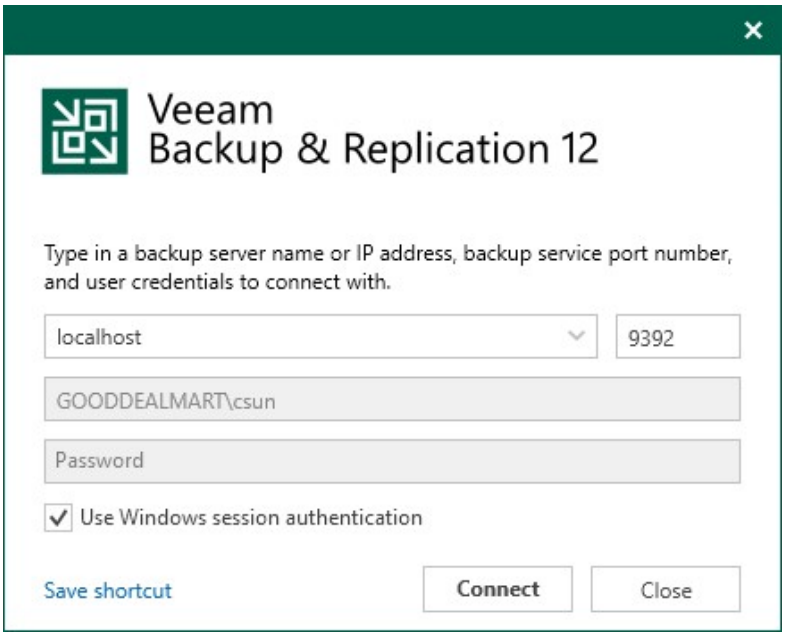
Physical Machines

Veeam Backup & Replication is a centralized control center for deploying and managing Veeam Agent, including Veeam Agent for Microsoft Windows, Linux, IBM AIX, Oracle Solaris, and Mac. Physical machines you want to protect with Veeam Agents are organized into protection groups in Veeam Backup & Replication. A protection group groups together protected computers of the same type. To simplify the management of such computers, Whether you create a protection group for laptops, workstations, servers or any other type of computer, Veeam Backup & Replication allows you to group them for dedicated and targeted protection easily. A separate protection group can also be used for Veeam Agent computers that you manage differently than other machines in your infrastructure.

You can use protection groups to automate the Veeam Agent deployment and management on computers in the infrastructure. When you configure a protection group, you can specify scheduling options for protected computer discovery and Veeam Agent deployment. As a result, you do not need to install, configure, and run Veeam Agent on each computer whose data you wish to protect. Instead, you can use the Veeam Backup & Replication console to remotely perform all Veeam Agent deployment, administration, data protection, and disaster recovery tasks.

Add Veeam Agent to On-Premises Microsoft Windows Physical machines

You can back up and restore the On-Premises physical machines running Windows operating systems. Backup agents are installed on each computer by Veeam Backup & Replication.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	

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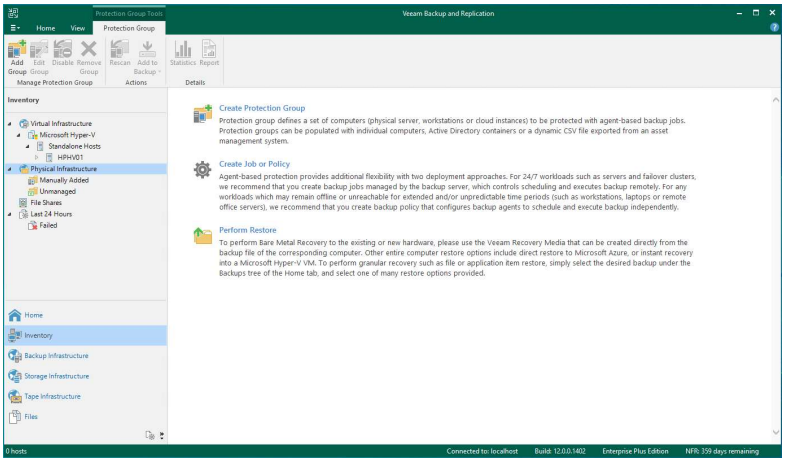
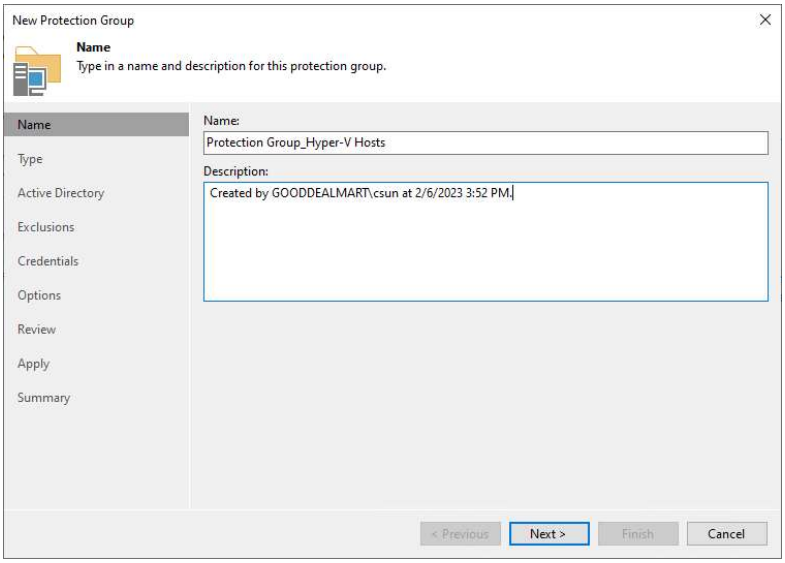
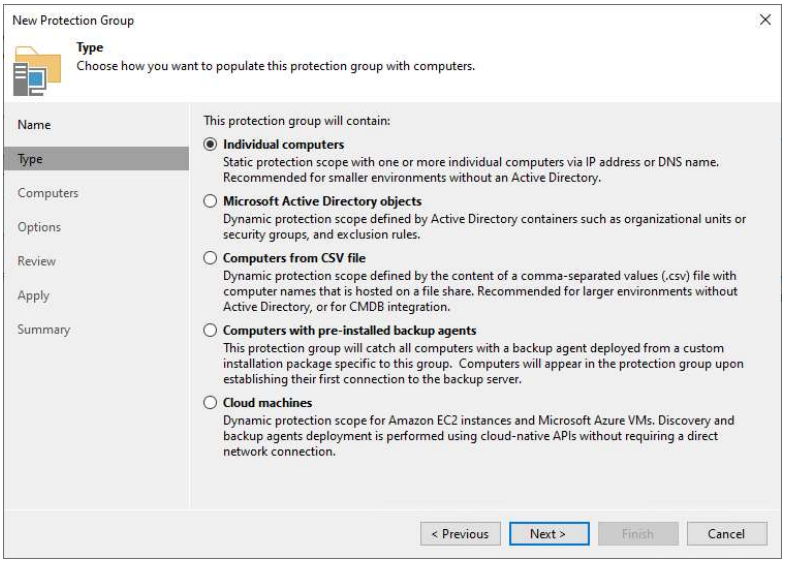
3. Select Inventory on the Home page.
4. On the Inventory page, select Physical Infrastructure and click Create Protection Group.



5. On the Name page, specify a protection group name.
6. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



7. Select Specify protection scope for the created protection group on the Type page and click Next.



   - Individual computers: add specific computers to the protection group.
   - Microsoft Active Directory objects: select this option to add one or several Active Directory objects to the protection group.
   - Computers from CSV file: add to the protection scope computers listed in a CSV file.
   - Computers with pre-installed agents: create a protection group for pre-installed Veeam Agents.
   - Cloud machines: select this option to add Amazon EC2 instances or

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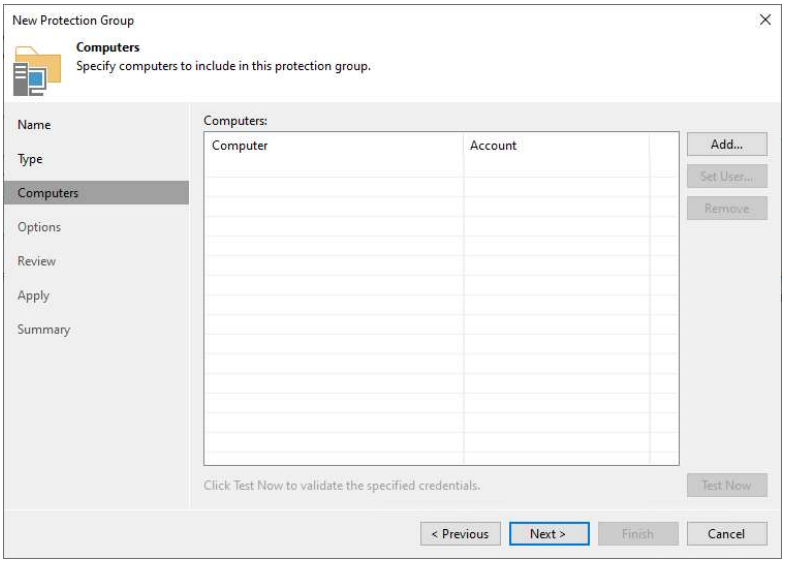
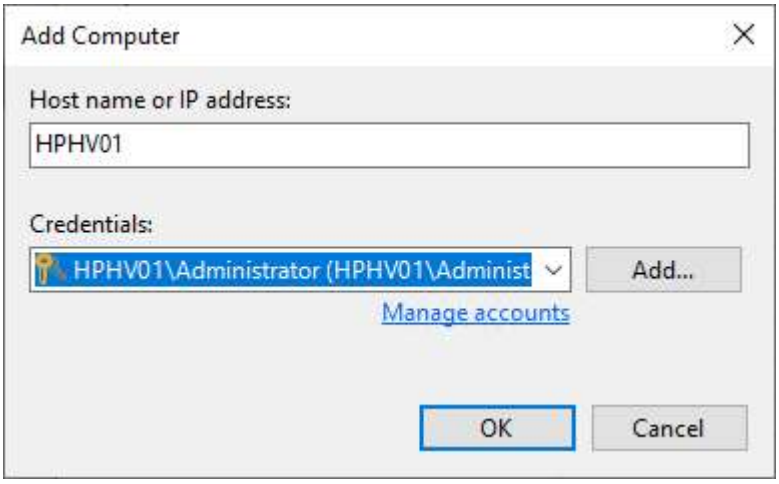
Microsoft Azure virtual machines.

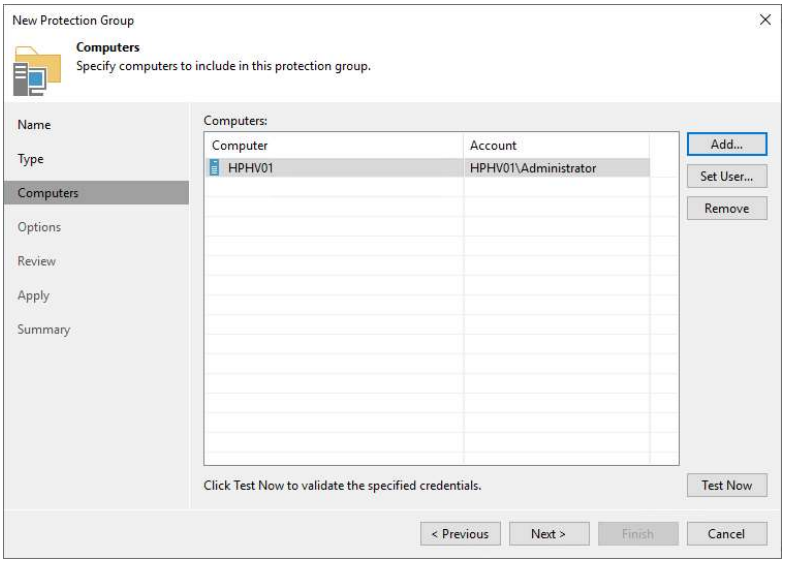
8. Click Add on the Computers page.



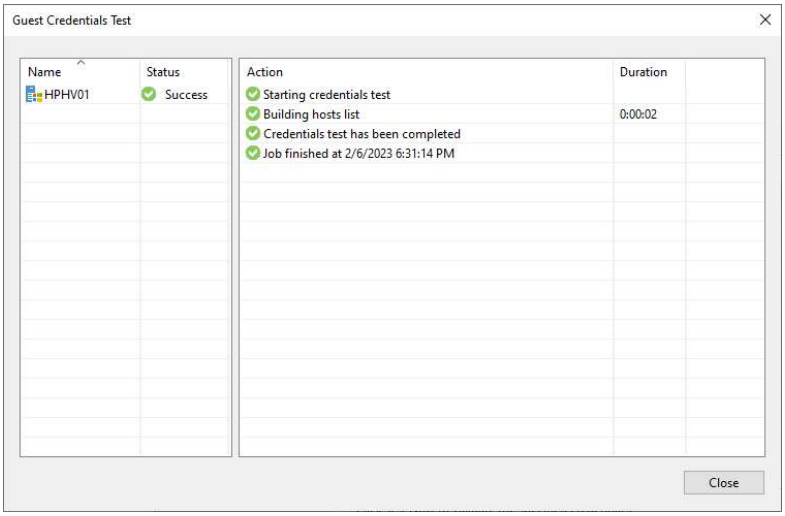
9. Specify a DNS name or IP address on the Add Computer page.
10. From the Credentials list, select a user account with administrative permissions on the computer and click OK.
11. If you need to set up credentials beforehand, click the Manage accounts link or Add on the right.



12. Click Test Now on the Computers page.



13. On the Guest Credentials Test page and click Close.



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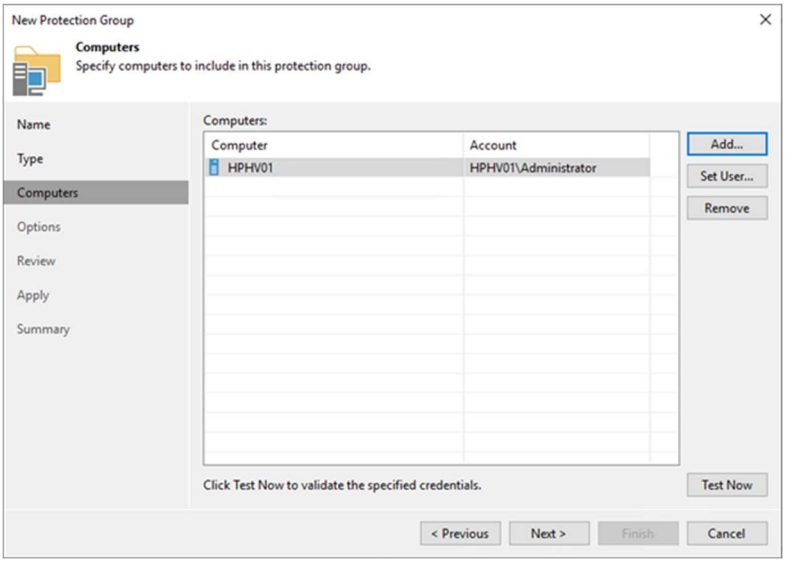
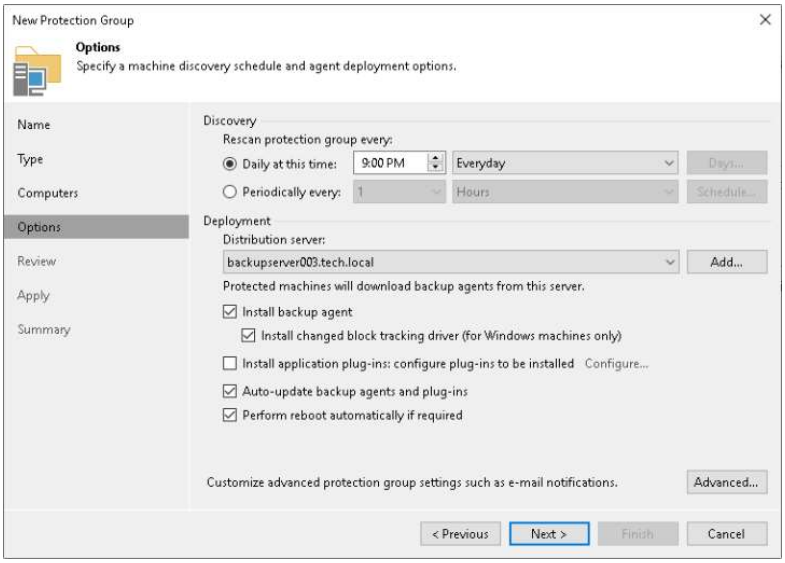
14. Click Next on the Computers page.



15. On the Options page, in the Discovery section, define the schedule for automatic computer discovery within the scope of the protection group.
16. In the Deployment section, select a Microsoft Windows server from the Distribution server list to serve as a distribution server.
17. Select the Install Backup agent checkbox.
18. Select the Install changed block tracking driver (for

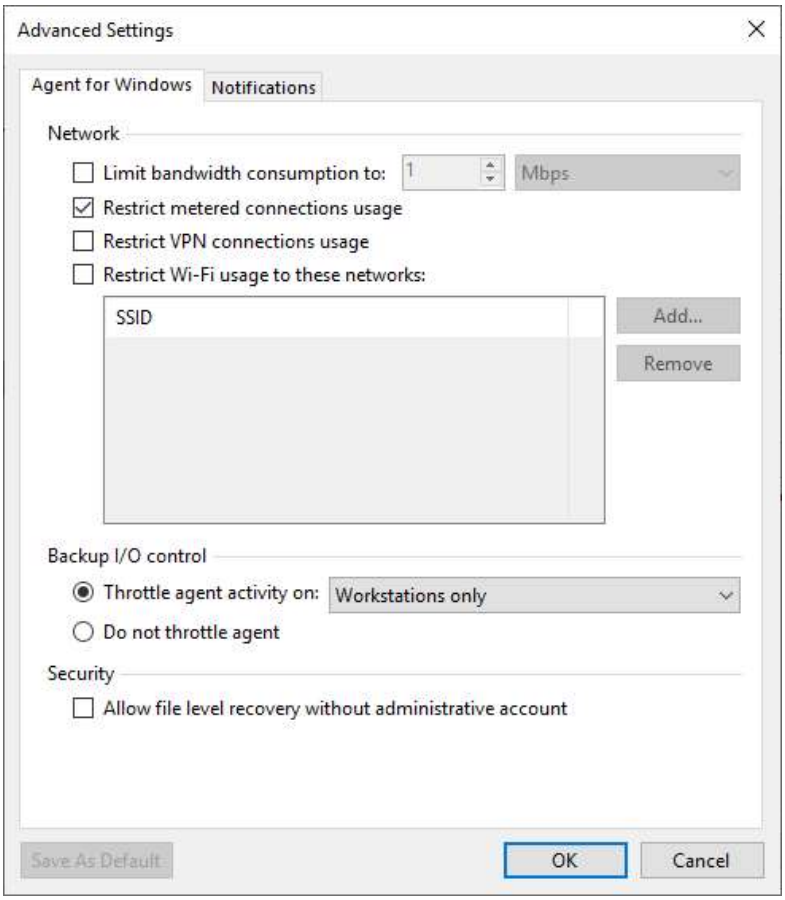


Windows machines only) checkbox.

19. Click Advanced to customize advanced protection group settings.

20. On the Advanced Settings page, specify the below settings that will be deployed on computers included in the protection group and click OK.

    - Limiting bandwidth consumption: specify the maximum speed for transferring backed-up data from the Veeam Agent computer to the target location.
    - Restrict metered connections usage: Veeam Agent automatically detects metered connections and does not perform backup when



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your computer is on such connection.

- Restrict VPN connection usage: Veeam Agent for Microsoft Windows will automatically detect a VPN connection and not perform a backup when the Veeam Agent computer is on such a connection.
- Restrict Wi-Fi usage to these networks: restrict usage of wireless networks for Veeam Agent running on Microsoft Windows workstations.

21. Backup I/O settings: You can instruct Veeam Agent for Microsoft Windows to throttle its activities during backup.
    - Throttle agent activity on the

type of computers to throttle Veeam Agent backup activities: Workstations, Servers, or All hosts.

22. Security settings: You can allow user accounts that do not have administrative privileges on a Veeam Agent computer to perform a file-level restore on this computer.

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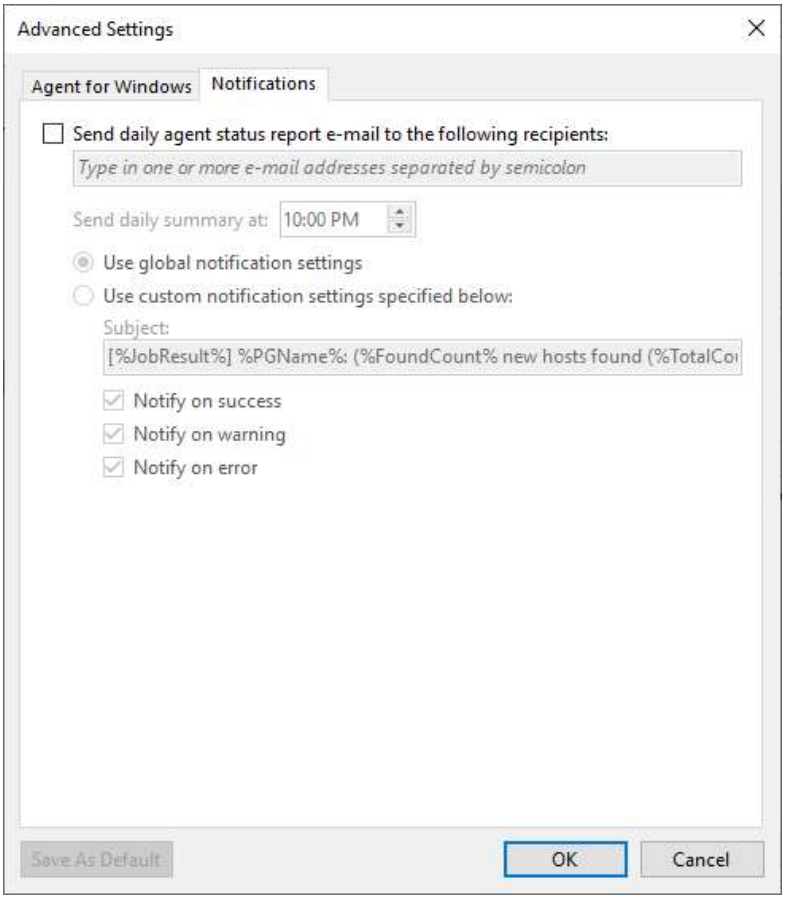
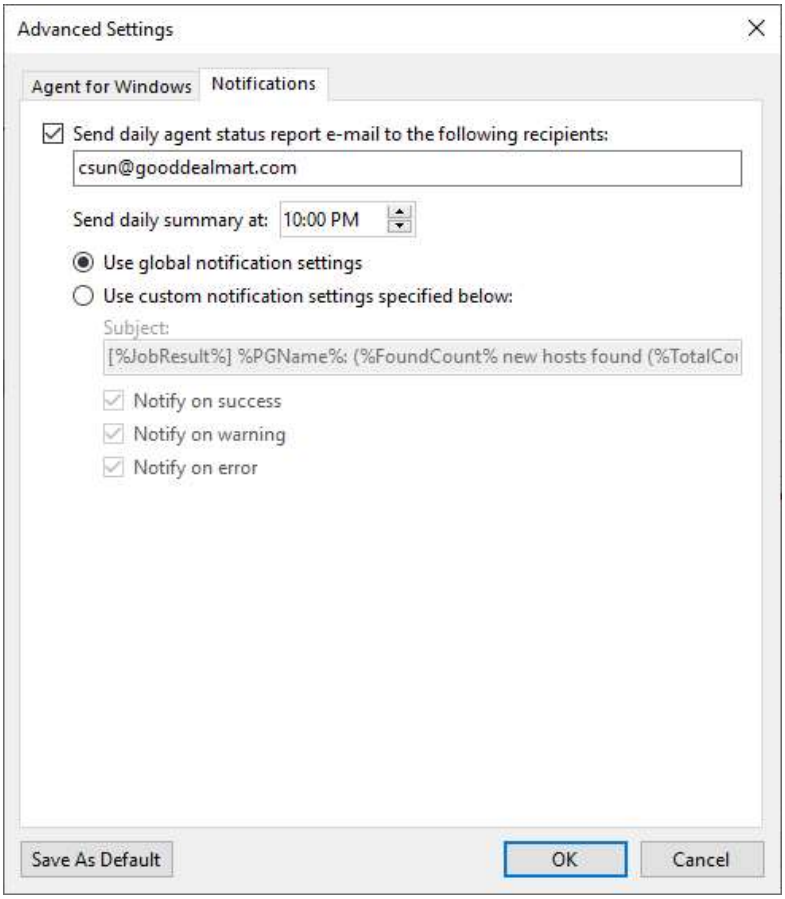
23. On the Advanced page, select Notifications.



24. On the Notification page, select Send daily agent status report e-mail to the following recipients: checkbox and enter an email address.
25. Enter several addresses separated by a semicolon.
26. You can use global notification settings or specify custom notification settings and click OK.



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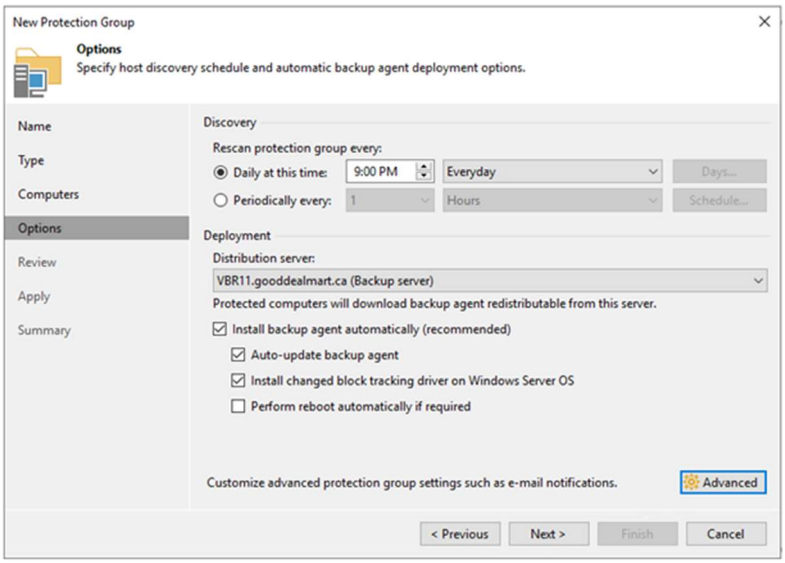
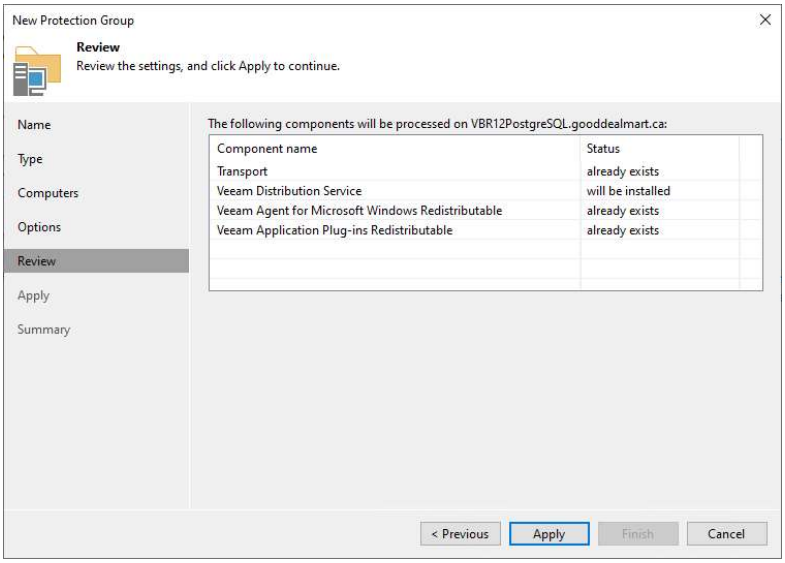
27. On the Options page, click Next.



28. On the Review page, click Apply.



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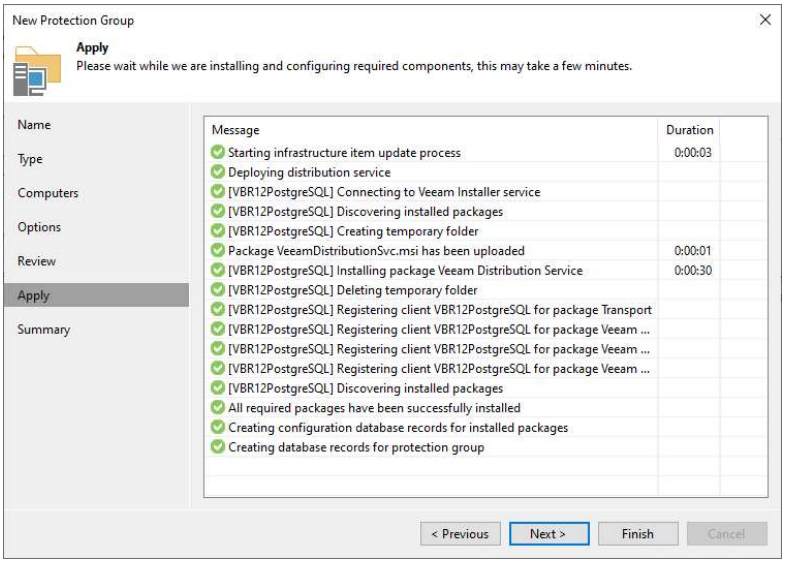
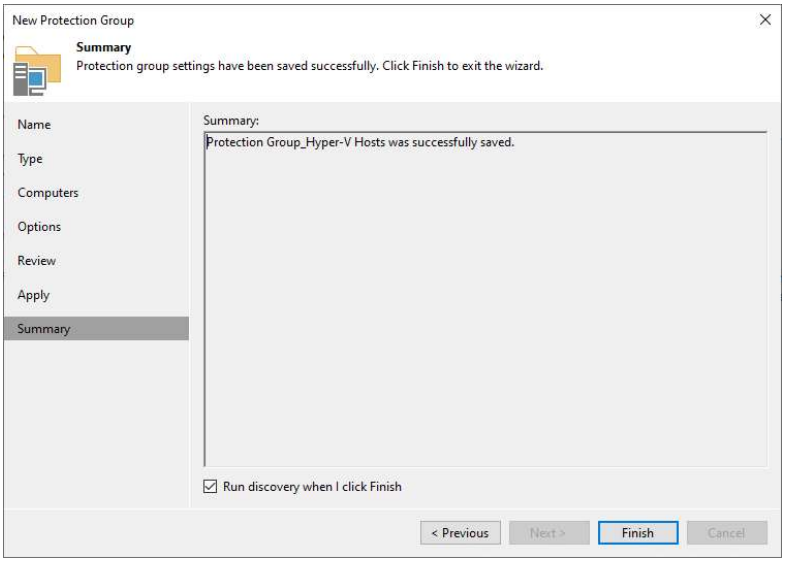


30. On the Summary page, select Run discovery when I click the Finish checkbox and click Finish.



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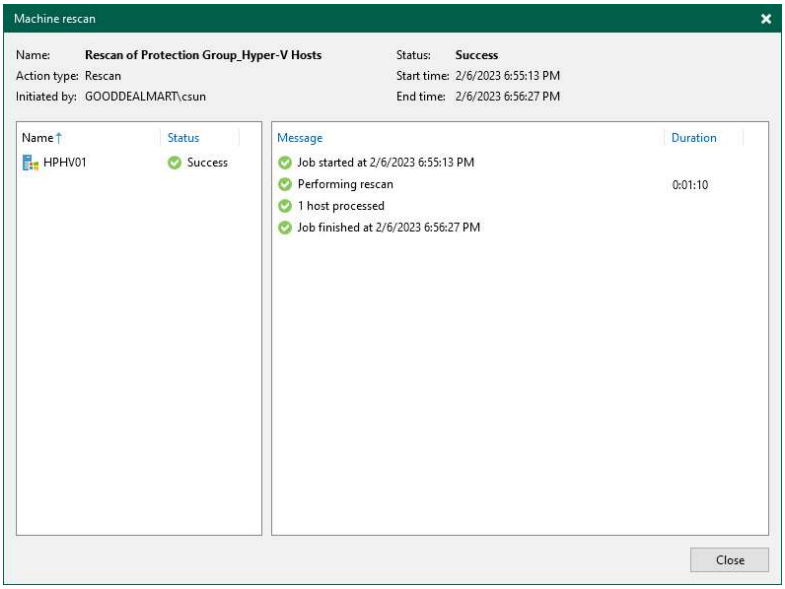
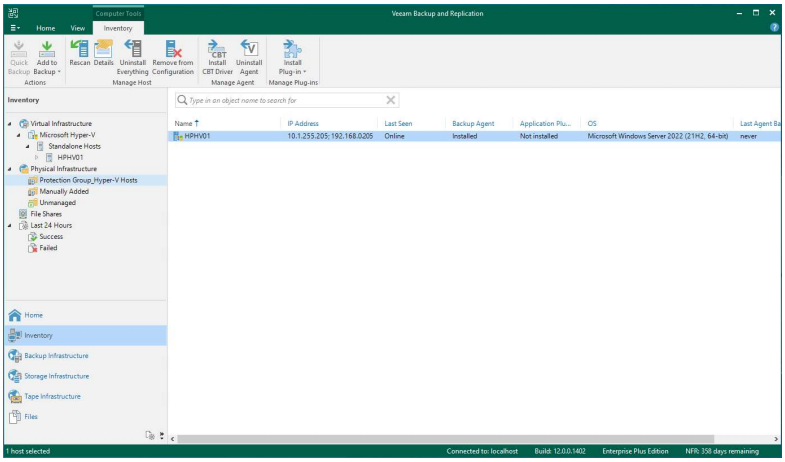
31. Ensure the operation is complete without error on the Agents discovery session page.



32. Verify that the protection group has been added.



Add Veeam Agent to On-Premises Linux Physical machines

You can back up and restore the On-Premises physical machines running Linux operating systems. Backup agents are installed on each computer by Veeam Backup & Replication.

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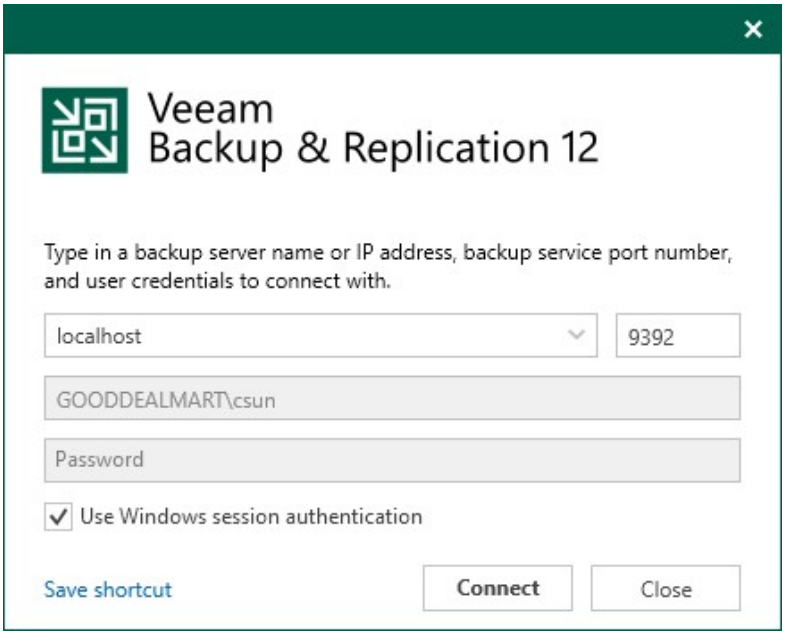
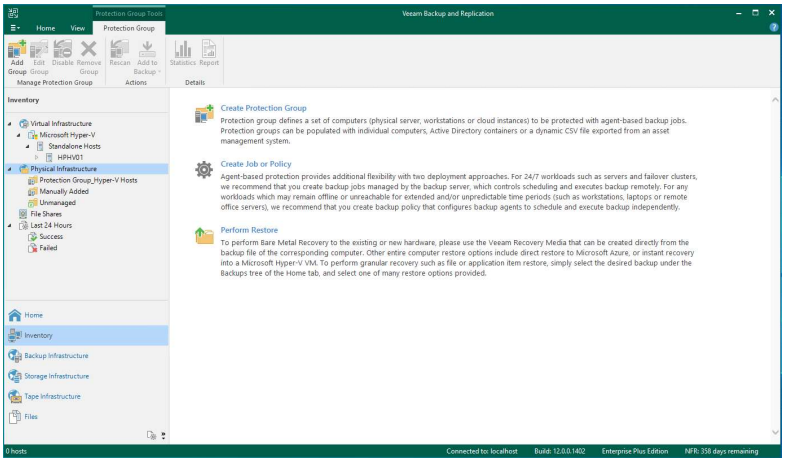
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	
3. Select Inventory on the Home page. 4. On the Inventory page, select Physical Infrastructure and click Create Protection Group.	

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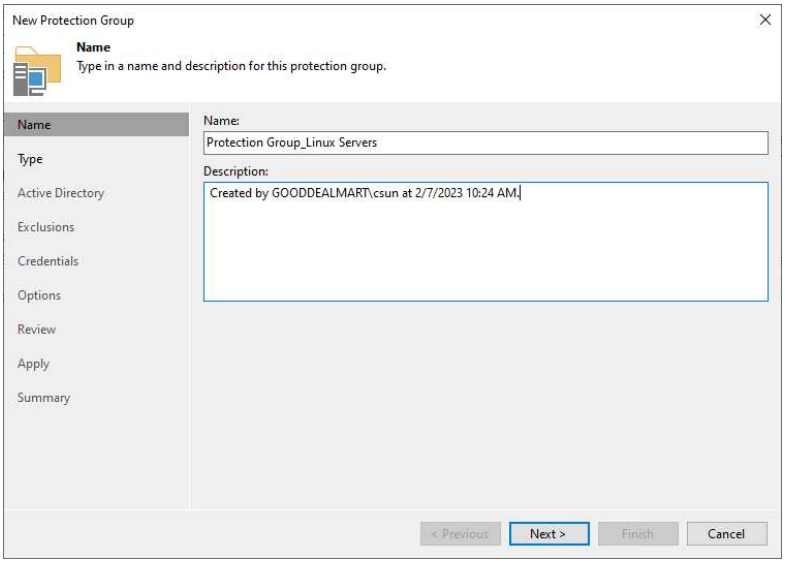
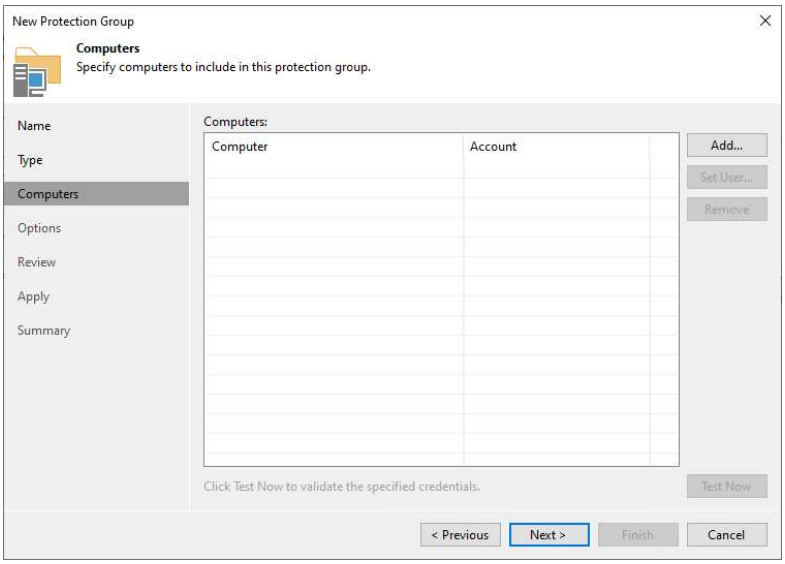
5. On the Name page, specify a protection group name.
6. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.

7. Select Specify protection scope for the created protection group on the Type page and click Next.
    - Individual computers: add specific computers to the protection group.
    - Microsoft Active Directory objects: select this option to add one or several Active Directory objects to the protection group.
    - Computers from CSV file: add to the protection scope computers listed in a CSV file.
    - Computers with pre-installed agents: create a protection group for pre-installed Veeam Agents.
    - Cloud machines: select this option to add Amazon

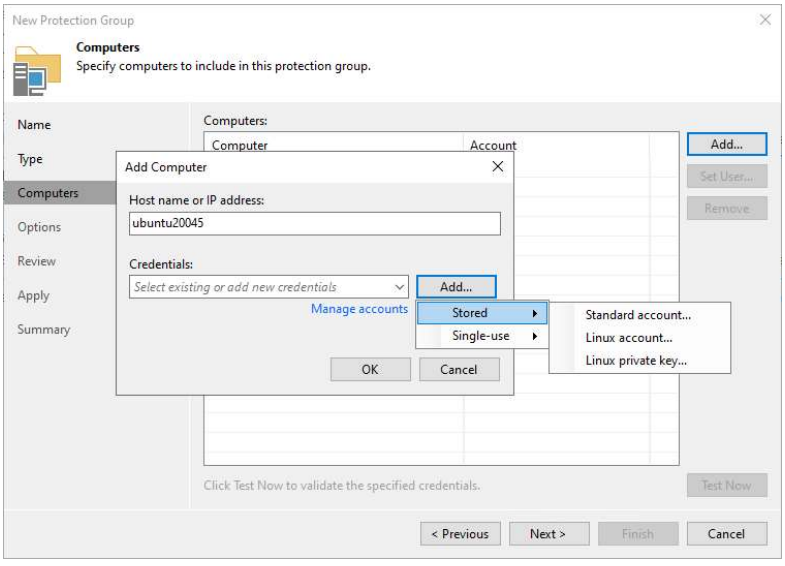


EC2 instances or Microsoft Azure virtual machines.

8. Click Add on the Computers page.



9. Specify a DNS name or IP address on the Add Computer page.
10. From the Credentials list, select a user account with administrative permissions on the computer and click OK.
11. If you need to set up credentials beforehand, click the Manage accounts link or Add on the right.
12. Click Add in the Credentials field, select Stored and click Linux account.



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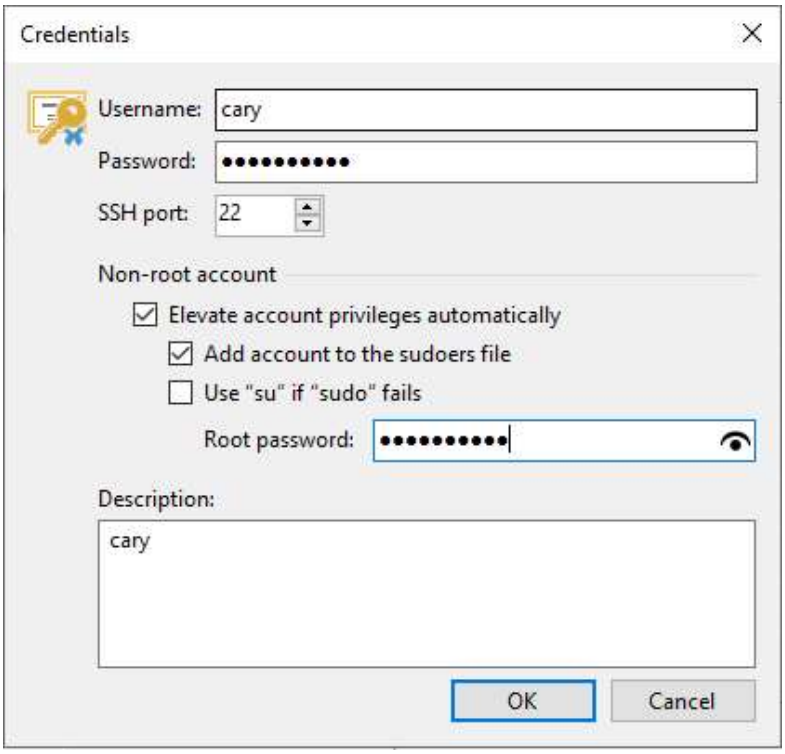
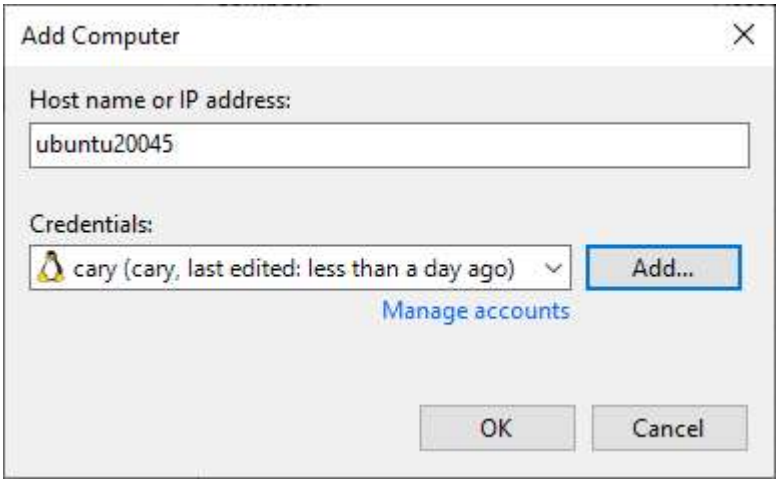
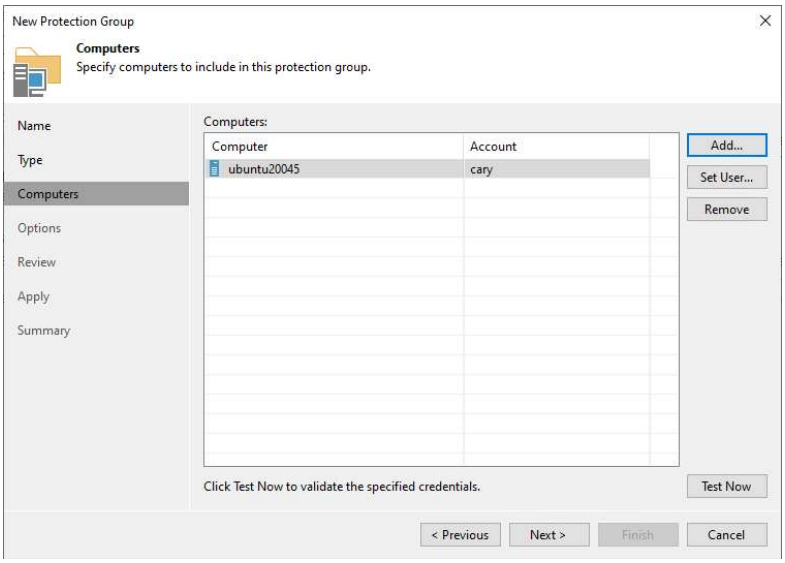
13. On the Credentials page, Enter a user name in the Username field.
14. Enter a password in the Password field.
15. Enter 22 in the SSH port field.
16. Select the Elvate account privileges automatically checkbox for a non-root user with root account privileges.
17. Select Add account to the sudoers file checkbox.
18. Enter the password in the Root password field.
19. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click OK.



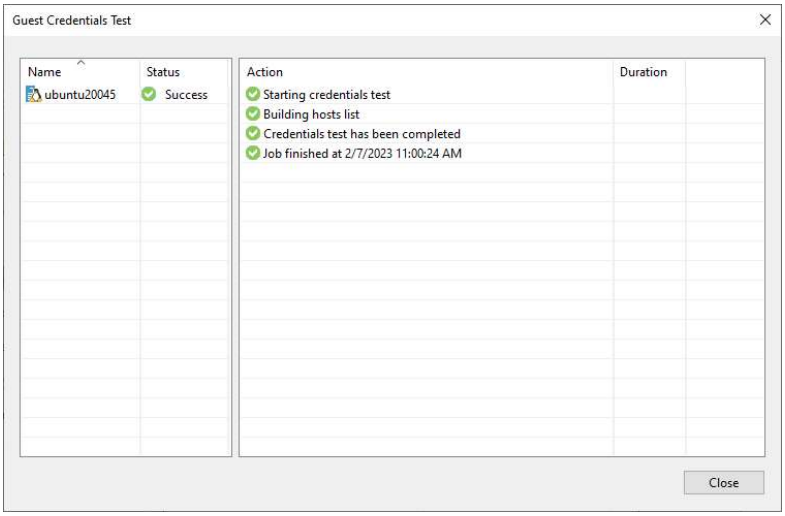
20. Click OK on the add Computer page.



21. Click Test Now on the Computers page.



22. On the Guest Credentials Test page and click Close.



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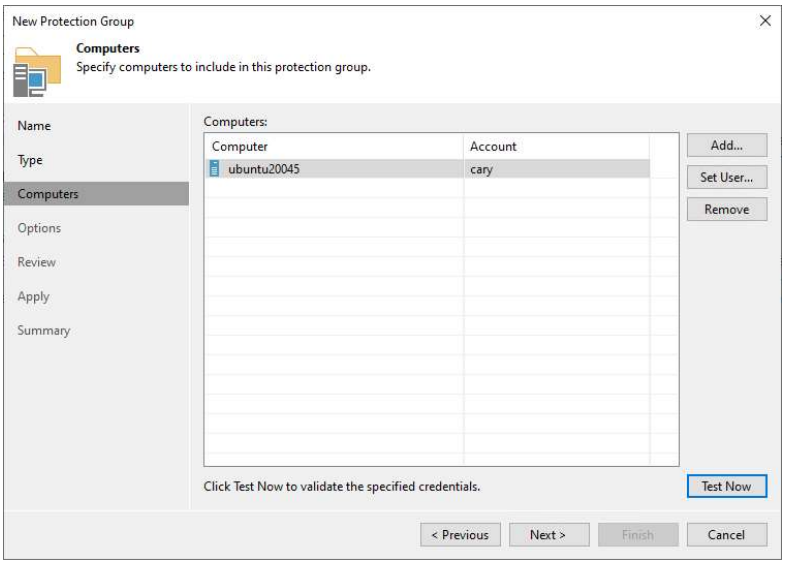
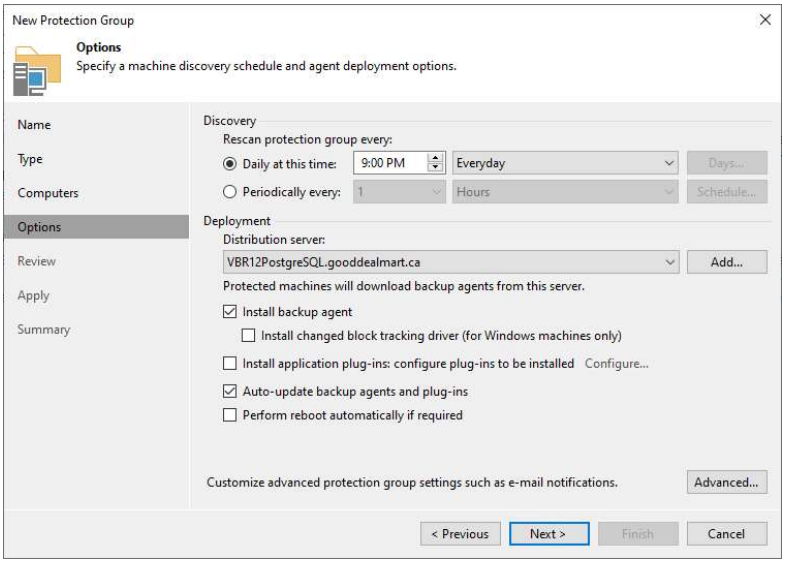
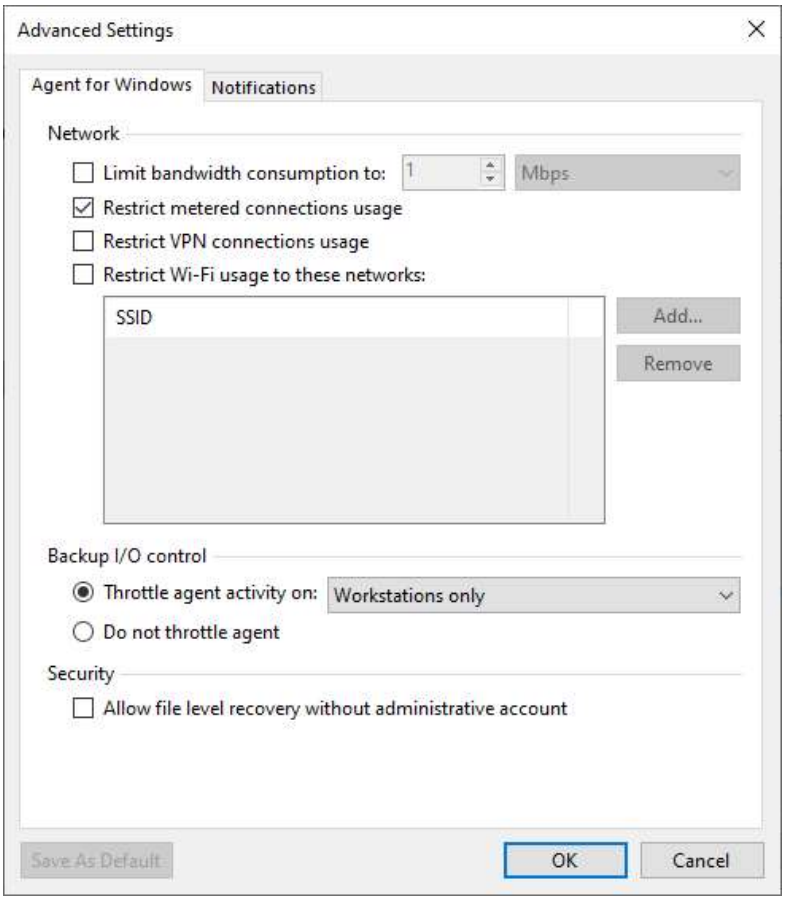
23. Click Next on the Computers page.



24. On the Options page, in the Discovery section, define the schedule for automatic computer discovery within the scope of the protection group.
25. In the Deployment section, select a Microsoft Windows server from the Distribution server list to serve as a distribution server.
26. Select the Install Backup agent checkbox.
27. Click Advanced to customize advanced protection group settings.



28. On the Advanced Settings page, specify the below settings that will be deployed on computers included in the protection group and click OK.



    - Limiting bandwidth consumption: specify the maximum speed for transferring backed-up data from the Veeam Agent computer to the target location.
    - Restrict metered connections usage: Veeam Agent automatically detects metered connections and does not perform backup when your computer is on such connection.
    - Restrict VPN connection usage: Veeam Agent for Microsoft Windows will

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automatically detect a VPN connection and not perform a backup when the Veeam Agent computer is on such a connection.

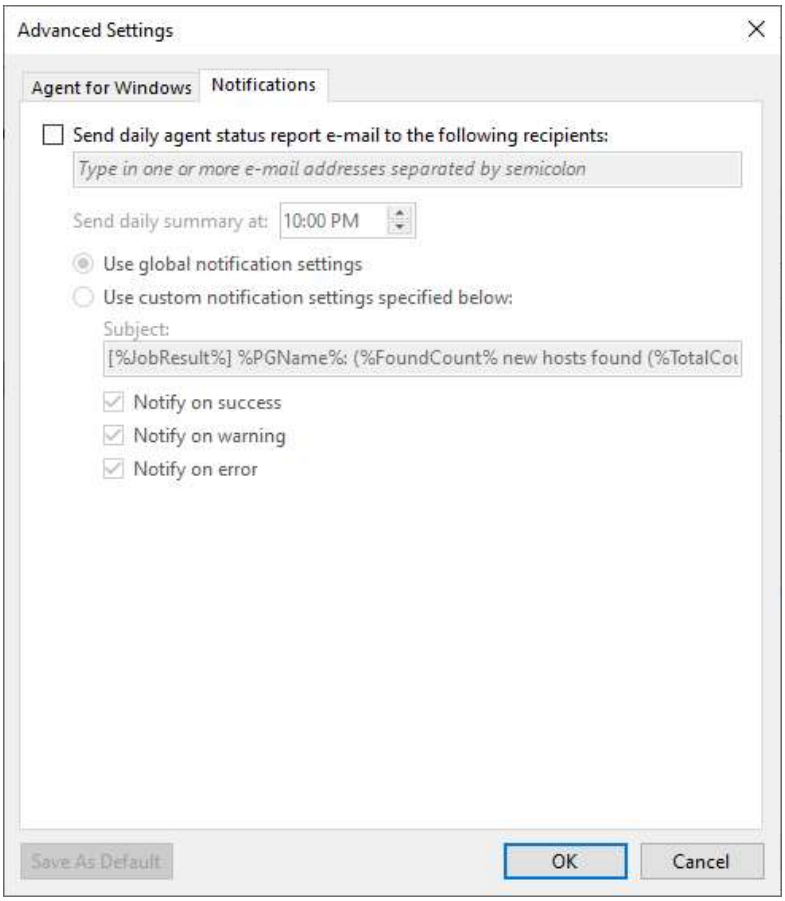
- Restrict Wi-Fi usage to these networks: restrict usage of wireless networks for Veeam Agent running on Microsoft Windows workstations.

29. Backup I/O settings: You can instruct Veeam Agent for Microsoft Windows to throttle its activities during backup.

    - Throttle agent activity on the type of computers to throttle Veeam Agent backup activities: Workstations, Servers, or All hosts.

30. Security settings: You can allow user accounts that do not have administrative privileges on a Veeam Agent computer to perform a file-level restore on this computer.

31. On the Advanced page, select Notifications.



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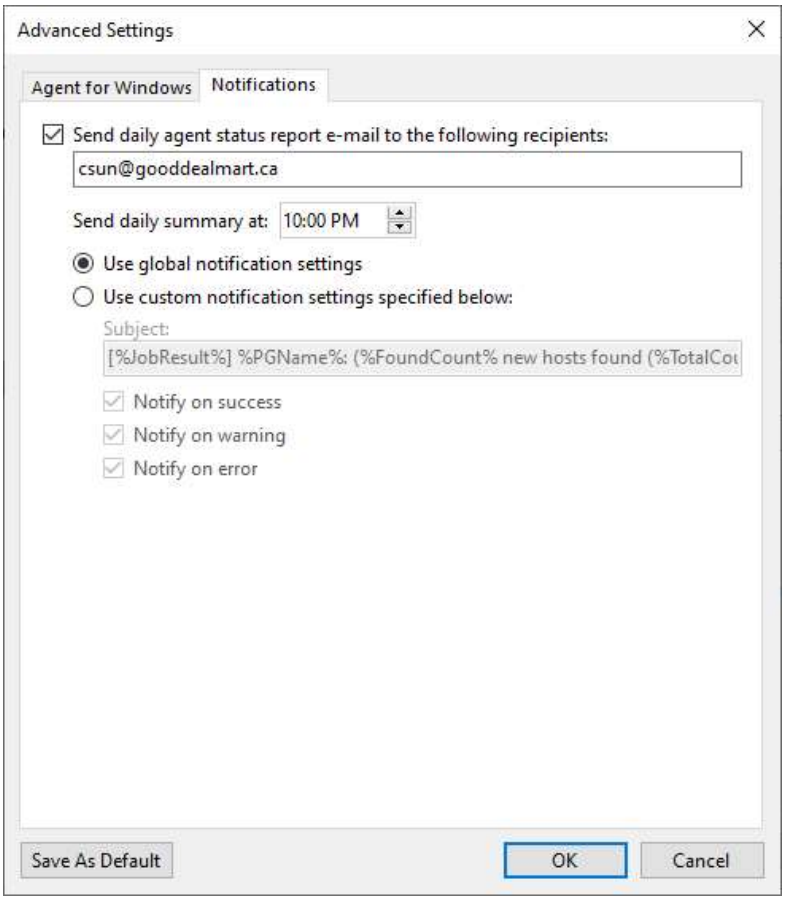
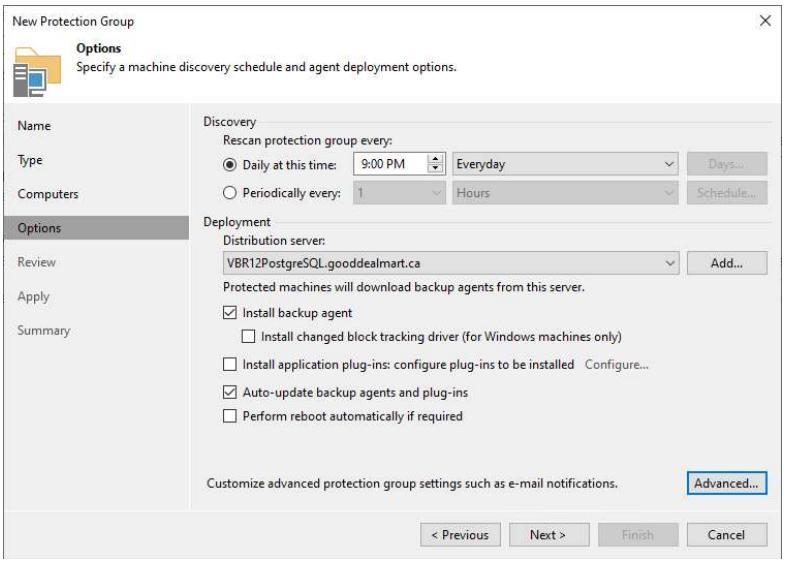
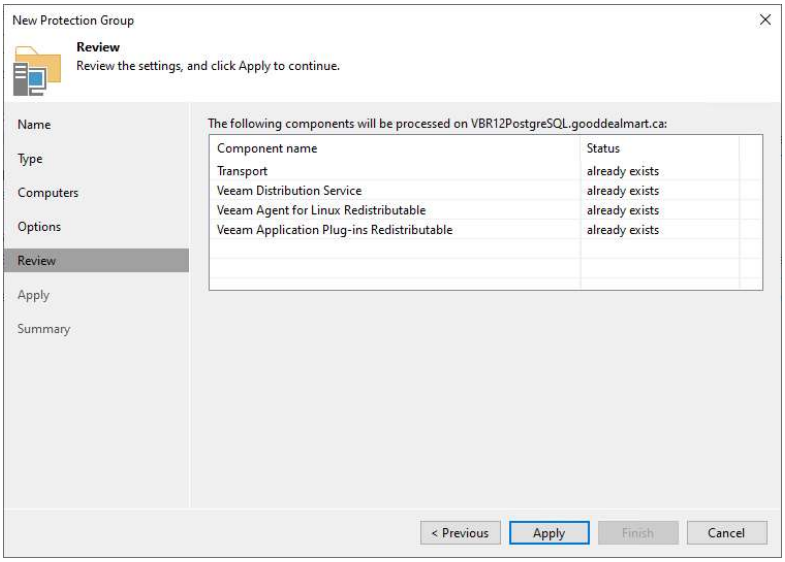
32. On the Notification page, select Send daily agent status report e-mail to the following recipients: checkbox and enter an email address.
33. Enter several addresses separated by a semicolon.
34. You can use global notification settings or specify custom notification settings and click OK.



35. On the Options page, click Next.



36. Click Apply on the Review page.



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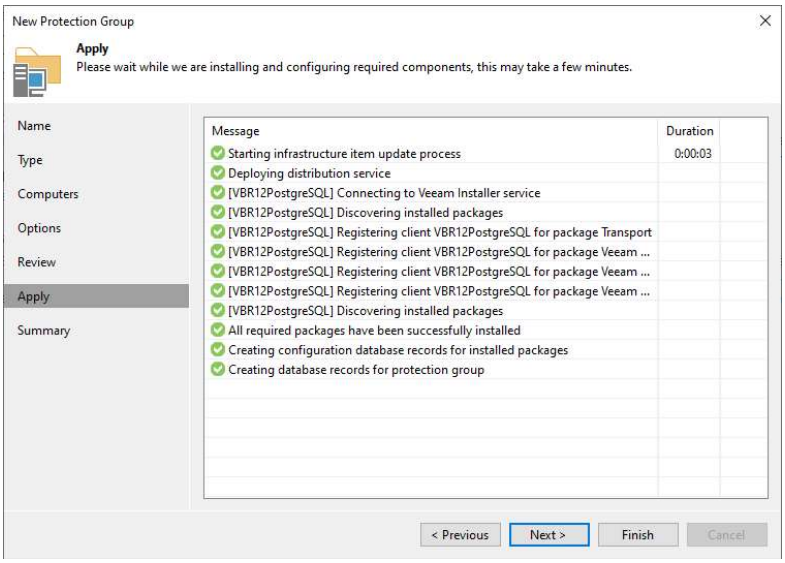
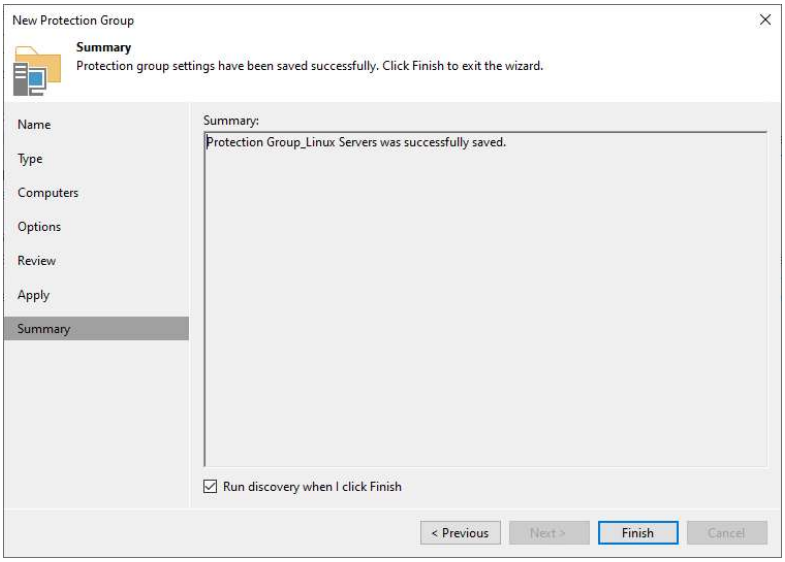
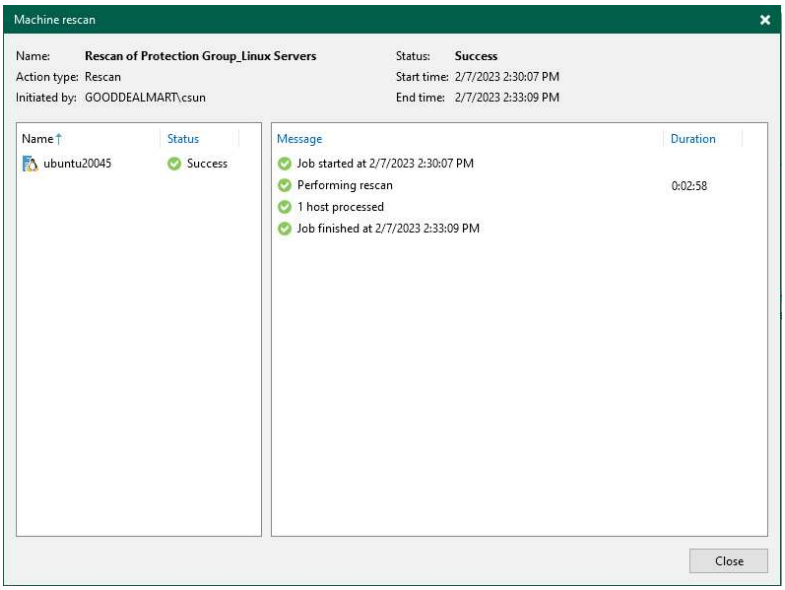
37. Click Next on the Apply page.



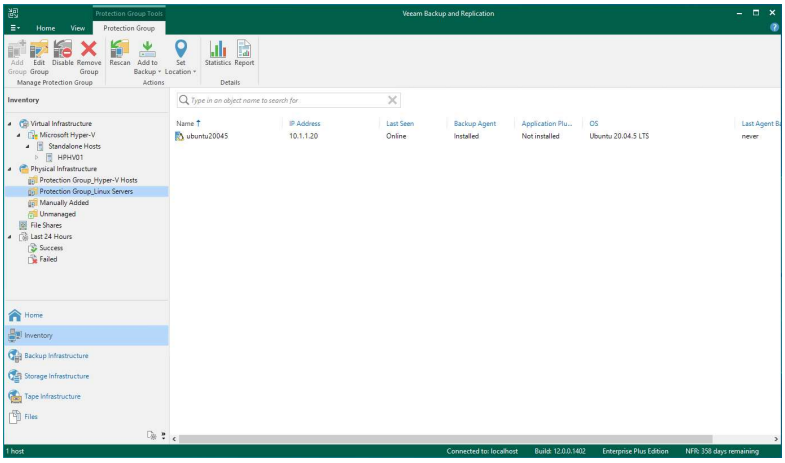
38. On the Summary page, select the Run discovery when I click the Finish checkbox and click Finish.



39. Verify the Machine rescan result and click Close.



40. Verify that the protection group has been added.



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Backup Repository

Veeam stores backup files and metadata for replicated virtual machines in a backup repository. You can use the following storage types to set up a backup repository:

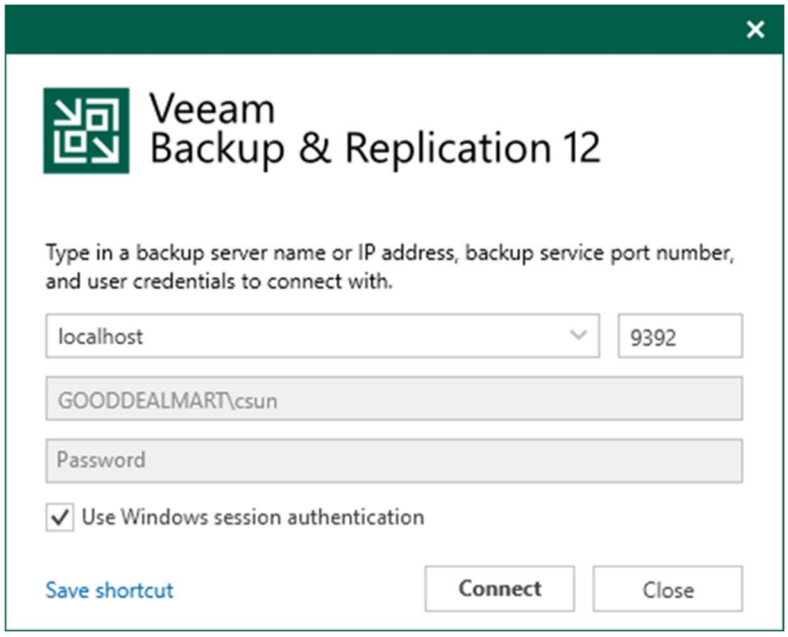
- Microsoft Windows server with local or network storage.
- Linux server with local or network storage.
- Linux server with a hardened repository.
- SMB (CIF) share network attached storage.
- NFS Share network attached storage.
- Deduplicatings storage appliances.
- Object storage.

Do not configure multiple backup repositories pointing to the exact location or using the same path.

Add the Microsoft Windows server's local directory as a Backup Repository

You can add the following types of storage to the Microsoft Windows server as a backup repository:

- A local disk.
- A directly attached disk-based storage (such as a USB hard drive).
- SCSI/FC SAN LUN in case the server is connected to the SAN fabric.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

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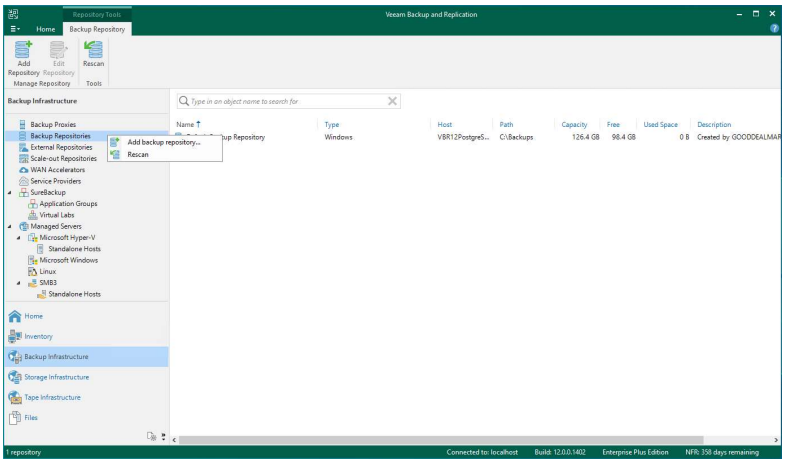
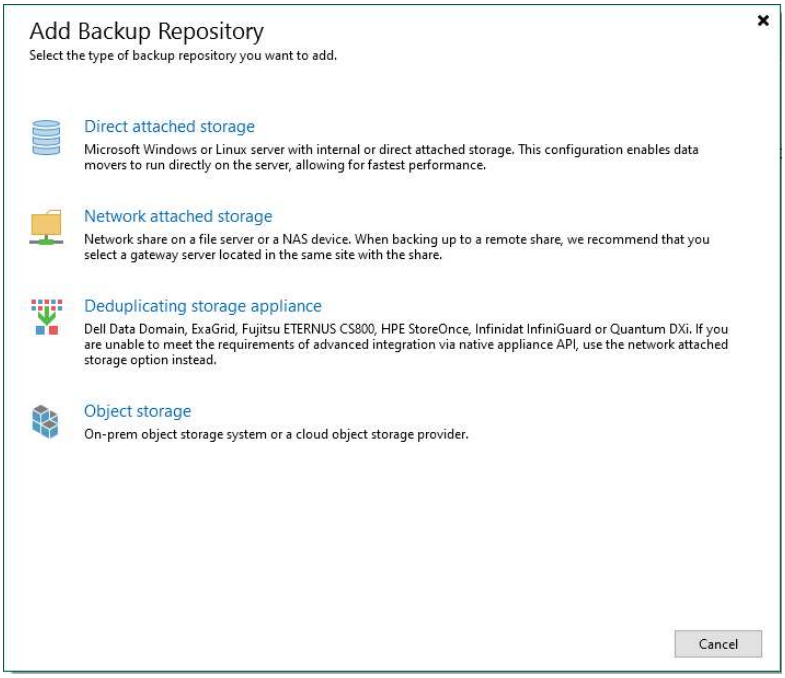
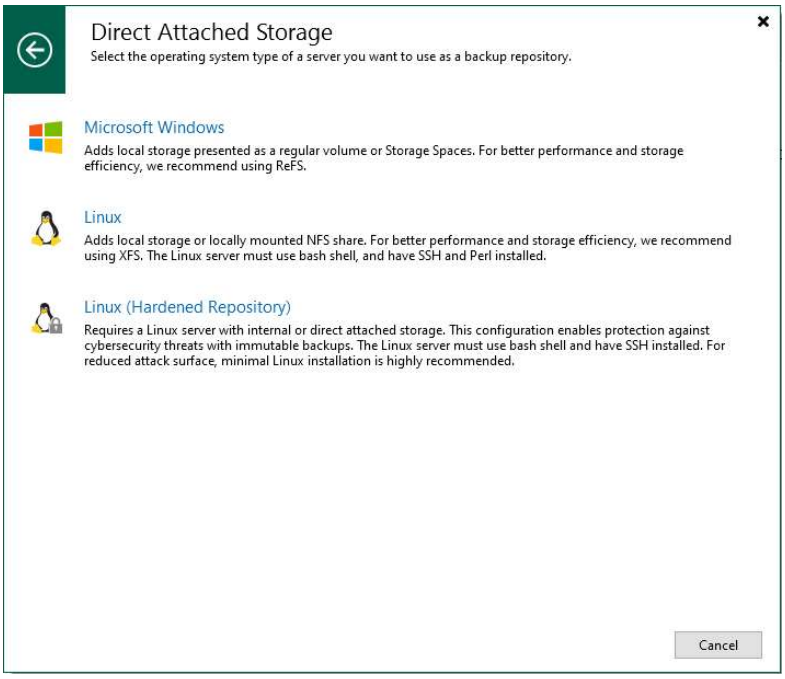
3. Select Backup Infrastructure on the Home page.
4. Select Backup Repositories on the Backup Infrastructure page.
5. Right-click Backup Repositories and select Add backup repository.



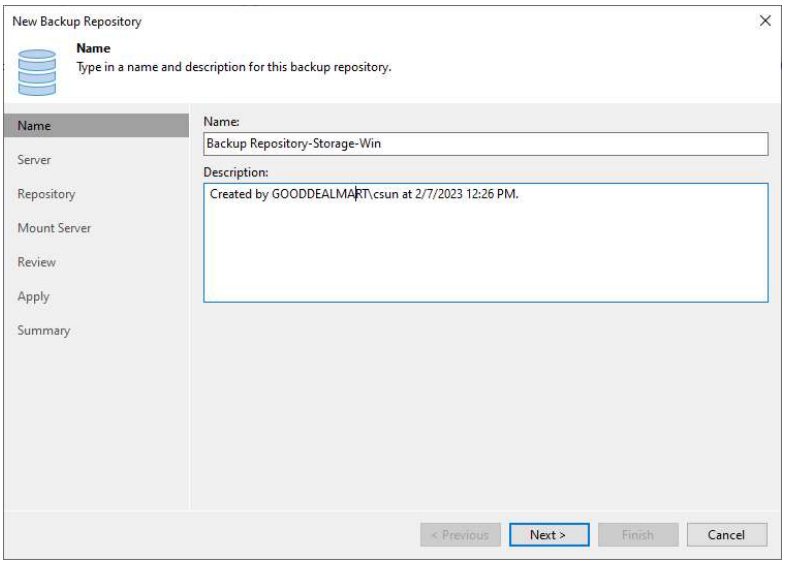
6. Select Direct attached storage on the Add Backup Repository page.



7. Select Microsoft Windows on the Direct Attached Storage page.



8. On the Name page, specify a Backup Repository name.
9. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



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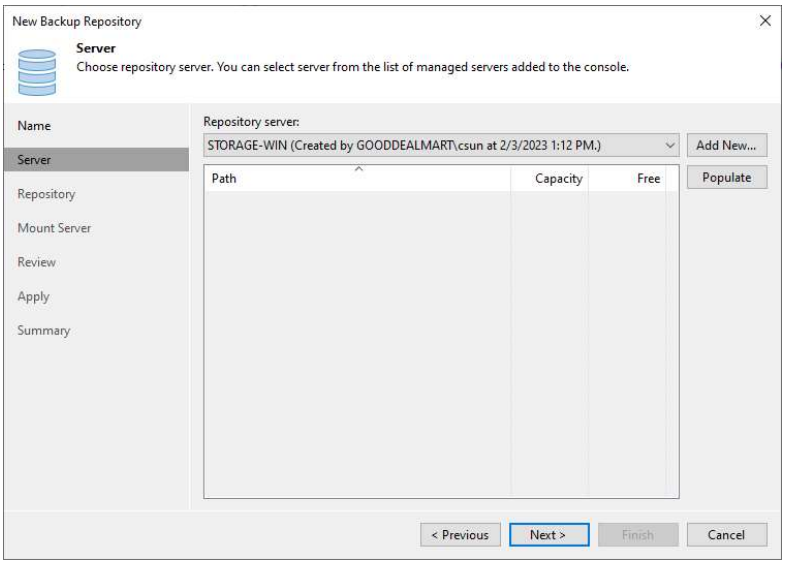
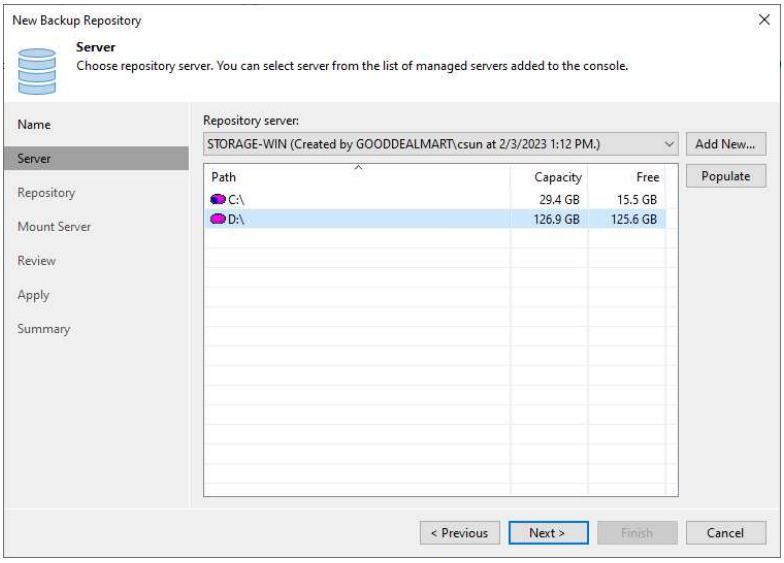
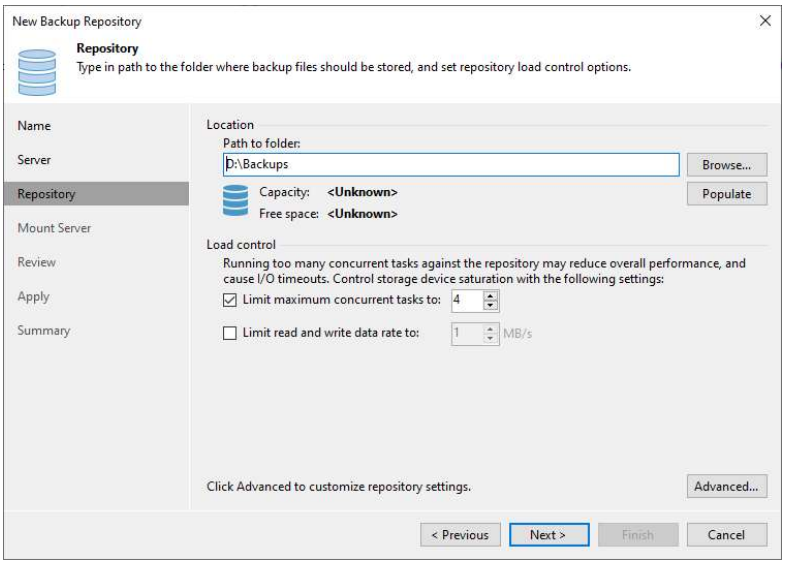
10. On the Server page, select the Microsoft Windows server from the Repository server drop-down list and click Populate.



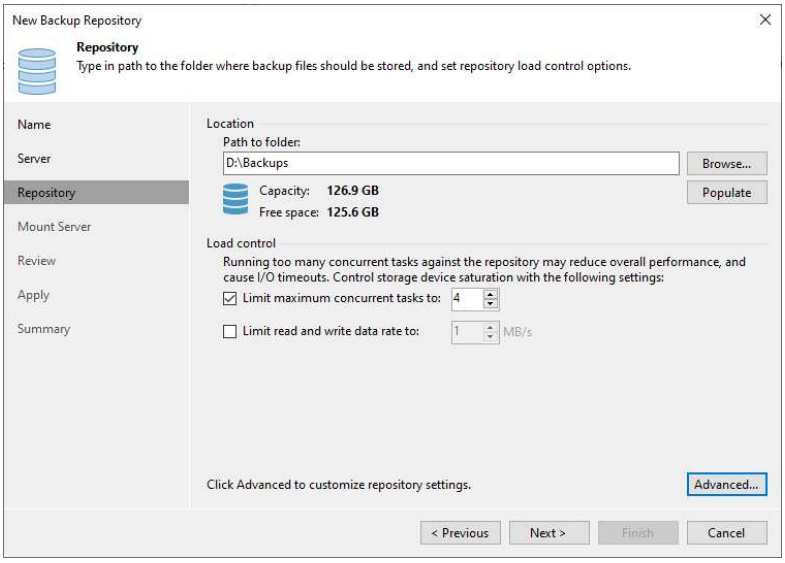
11. Select the disk and click Next.



12. On the Repository page, click Populate to review the disk capacity and free space.



13. Use the Load control settings to manage the load on the backup repository and avoid storage I/O.
14. Click Advanced.



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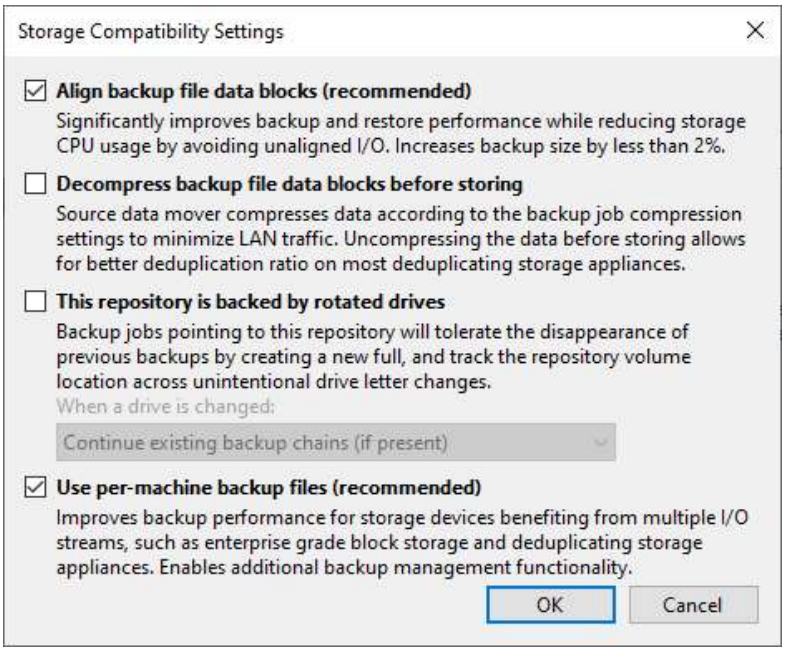
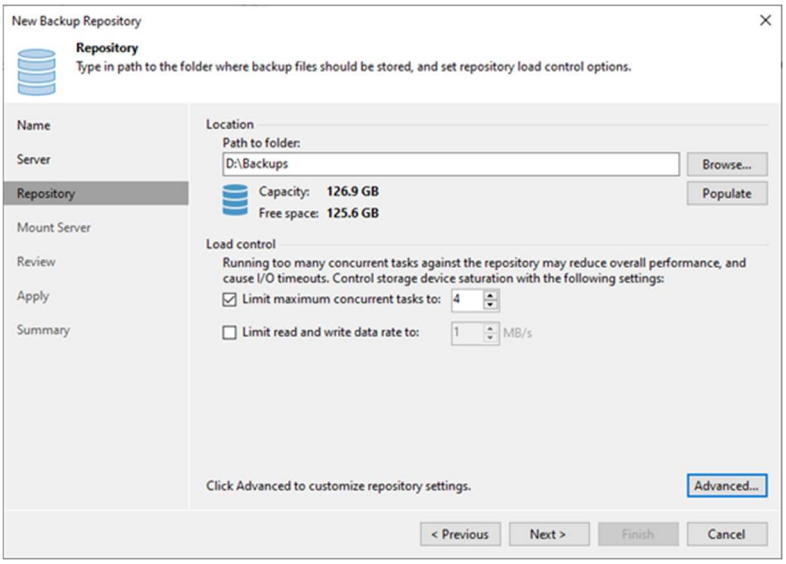
15. On the Storage Compatibility Settings, select Align backup file data blocks (recommended) checkbox
16. Select Use per-machine backup files and click OK.

Note:

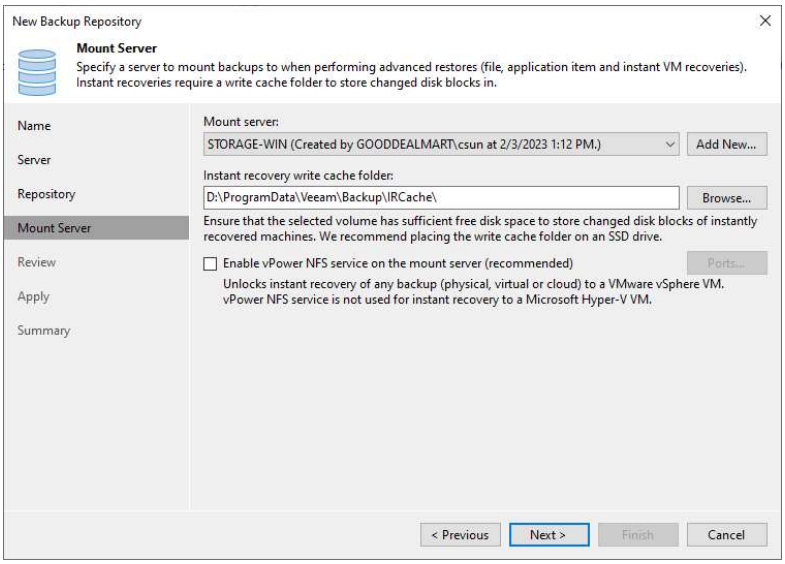
Select Decompress backup file data blocks before storing if you use a deduplicating storage feature or appliance.



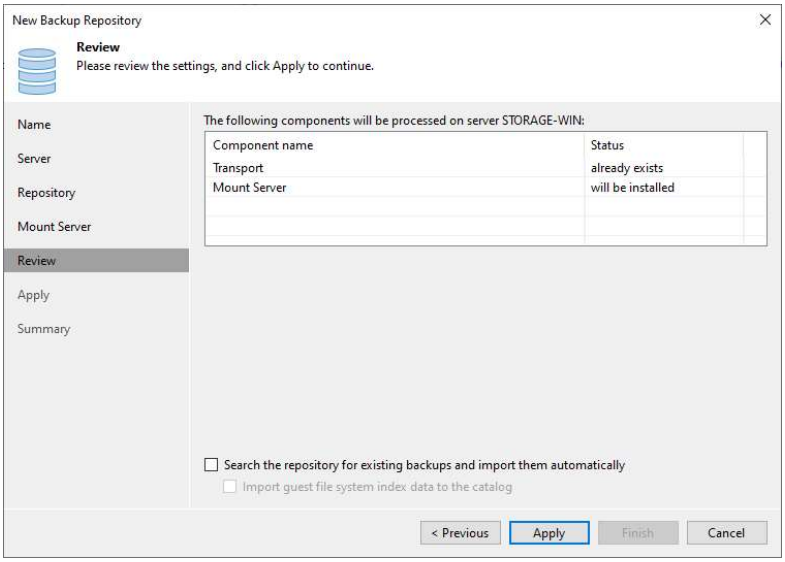
17. Click Next on the Repository page.



18. Select a mount server from the Mount server drop-down list on the Mount Server page.
19. Select a folder in the Instant recovery write cache folder field for writing cache during mount operations.
20. Unselect Enable vPower NFS service on the mount server because the vPower NFS service is not used for instant recovery to a Microsoft Hyper-V VM.
21. Click Next.



22. On the Review page, click Apply.
23. Select the Search the repository for existing backups and import them automatically checkbox if the backup repository contains backups previously created with Veeam Backup & Replication.
24. Select the Import guest file system index data to the catalog checkbox if the backup repository contains guest file system



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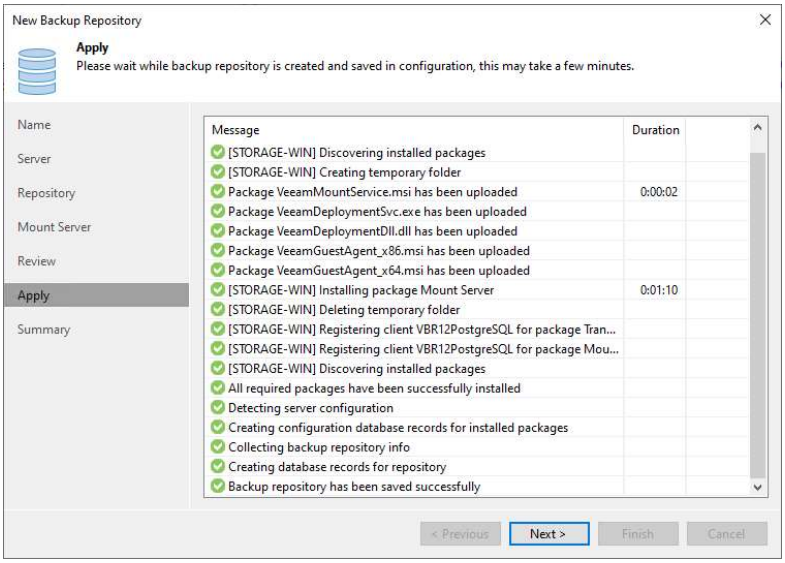
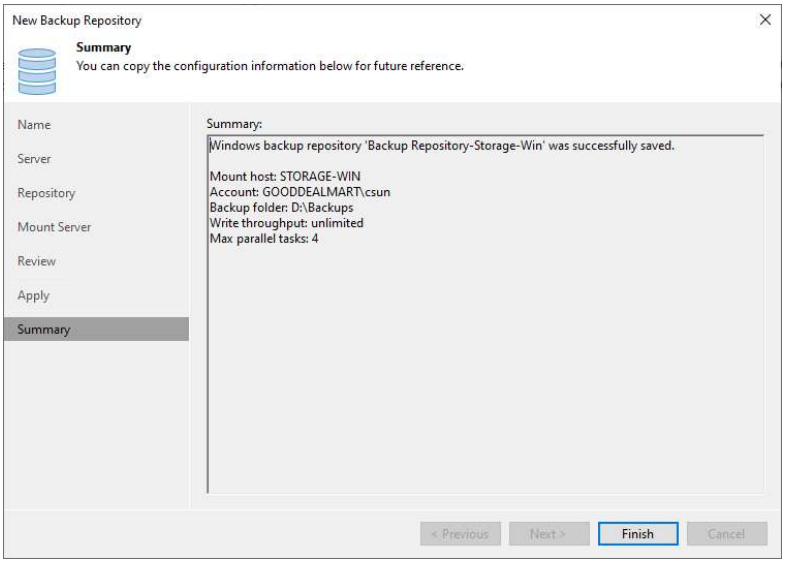
index files previously created by Veeam Backup & Replication.

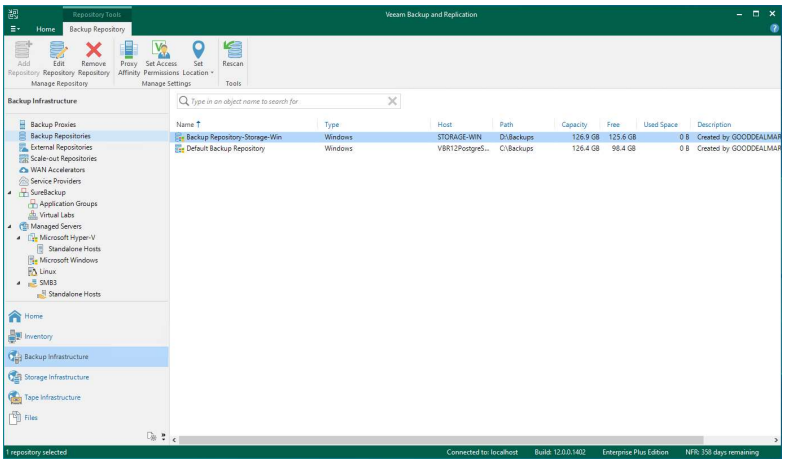
25. Click Next on the Apply page.



26. Click Finish on the Summary page.



27. Verify that the new Backup Repository has been added.



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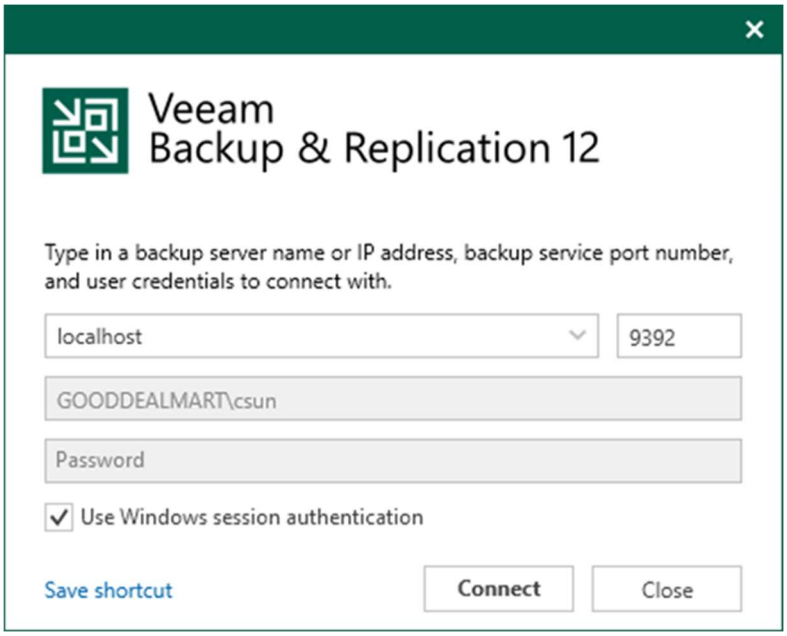
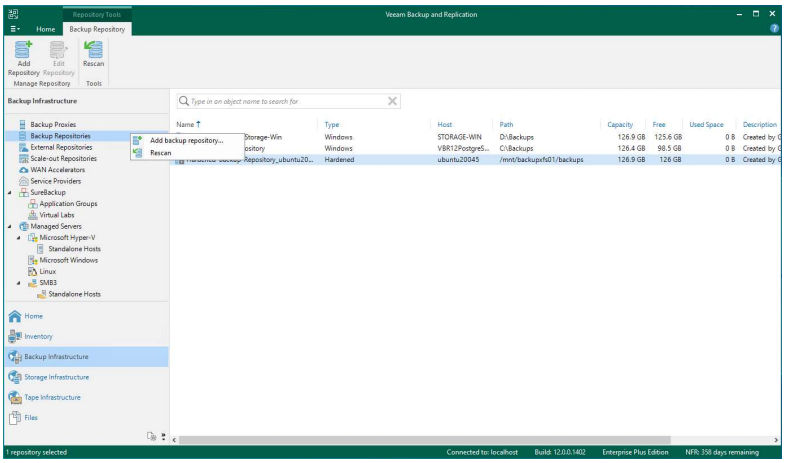
Add the Linux server's local directory as a Backup Repository

You can add the following types of storage to the Linux server as a backup repository:

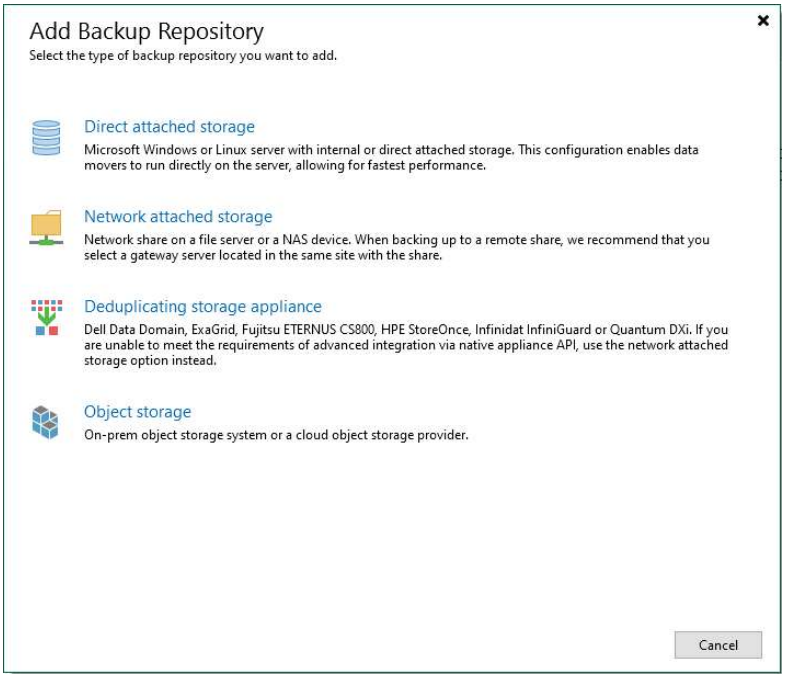
- A local disk.
- A directly attached disk-based storage (such as a USB hard drive).
- NFS share.
- SCSI/FC SAN LUN in case the server is connected to the SAN fabric.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.	

3. On the Home page, select Backup Infrastructure.
4. On the Backup Infrastructure page, select Backup Repositories.
5. Right-click Backup Repositories and select Add backup repository.



6. Select Direct attached storage on the Add Backup Repository page.



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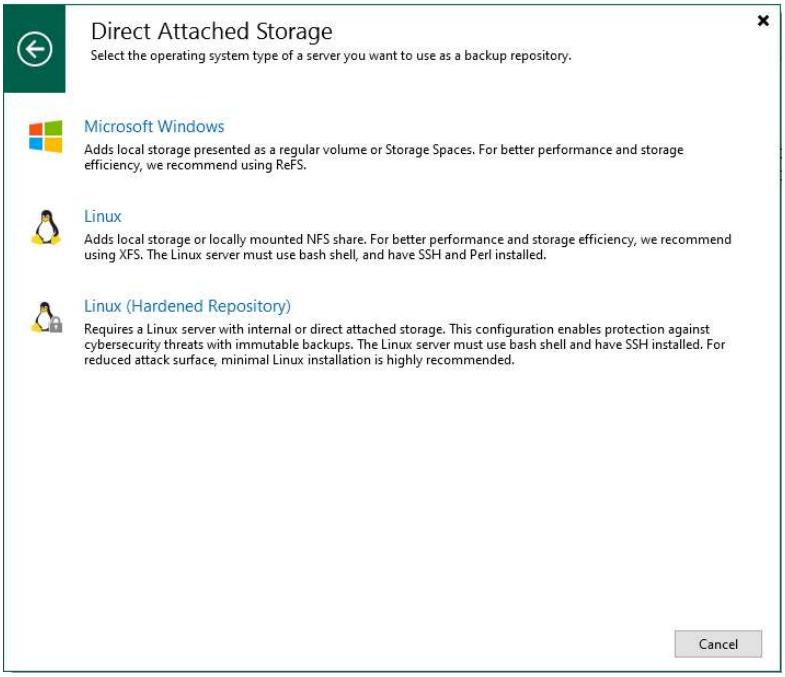
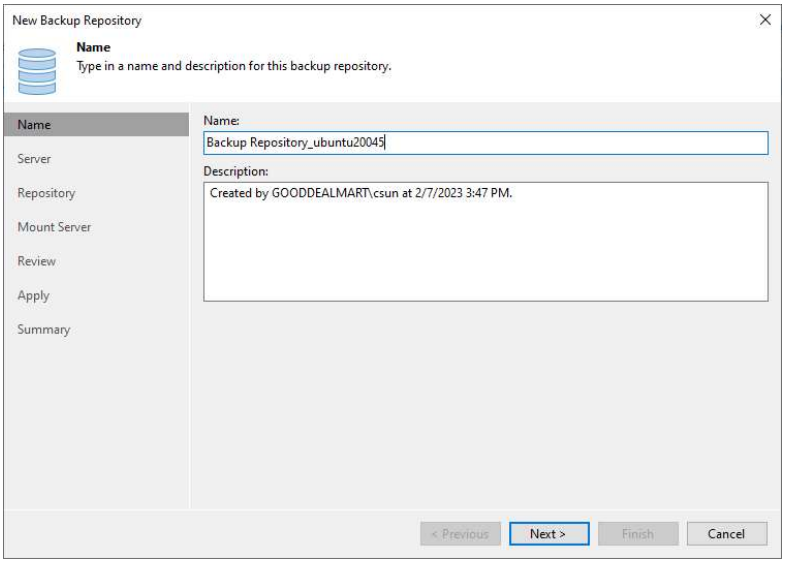
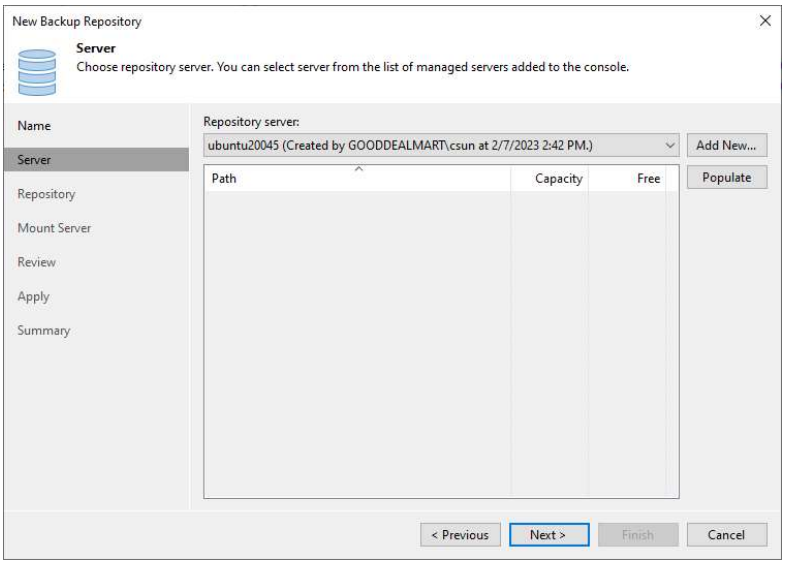
7. Select Linux on the Direct Attached Storage page.



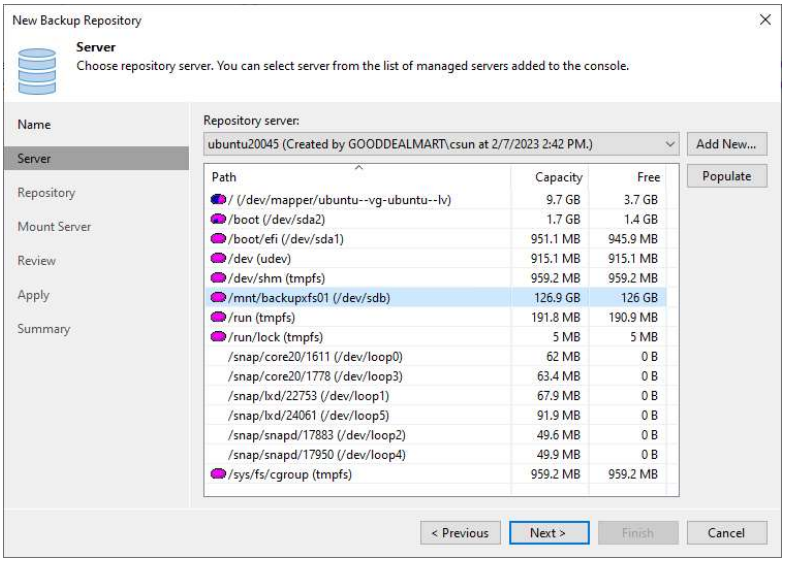
8. On the Name page, specify a Backup Repository name.
9. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



10. On the Server page, select the Linux server from the Repository server drop-down list and click Populate.



11. Select the disk and click Next.



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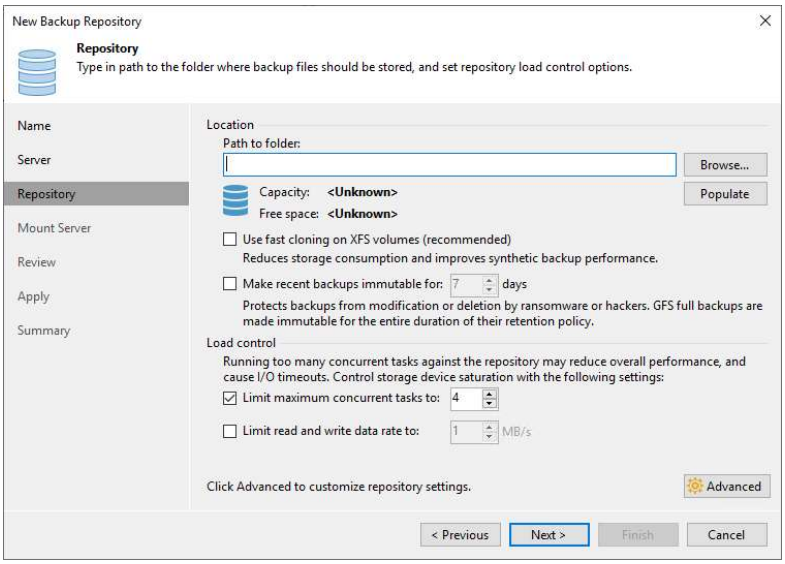
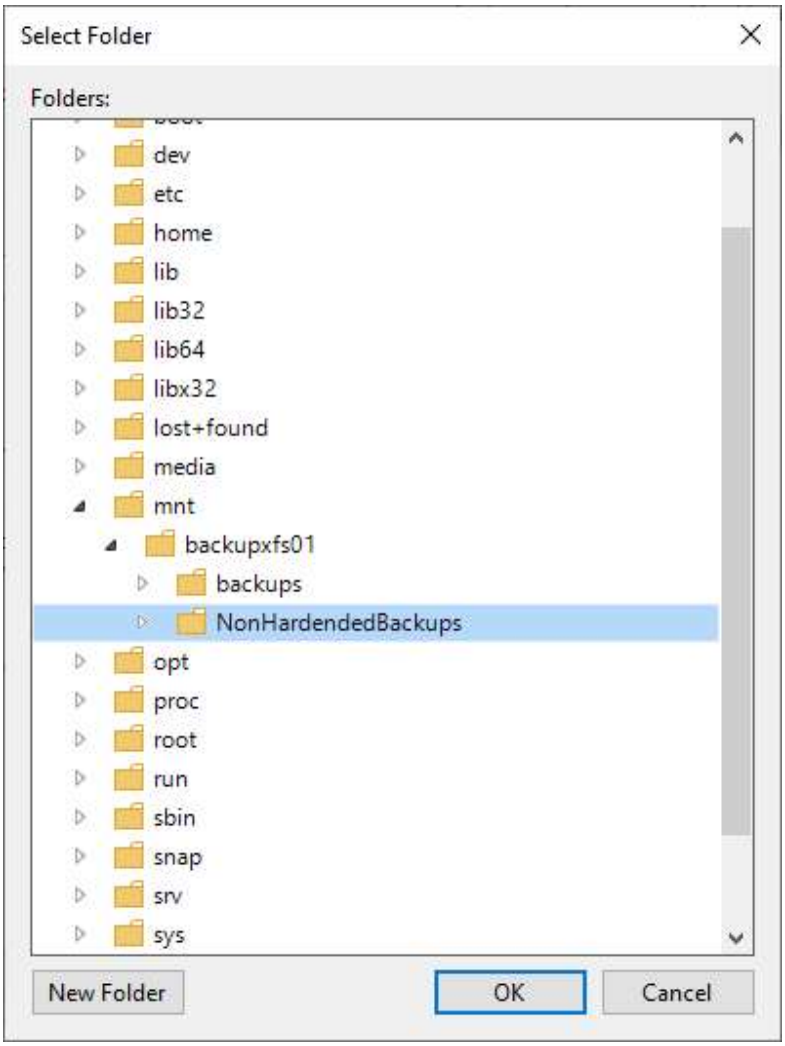
12. On the Repository page, click Browser for Path to folder.



13. On the Select Folder page, expand the server.
14. Select the NonHardenedBackups folder and click OK.



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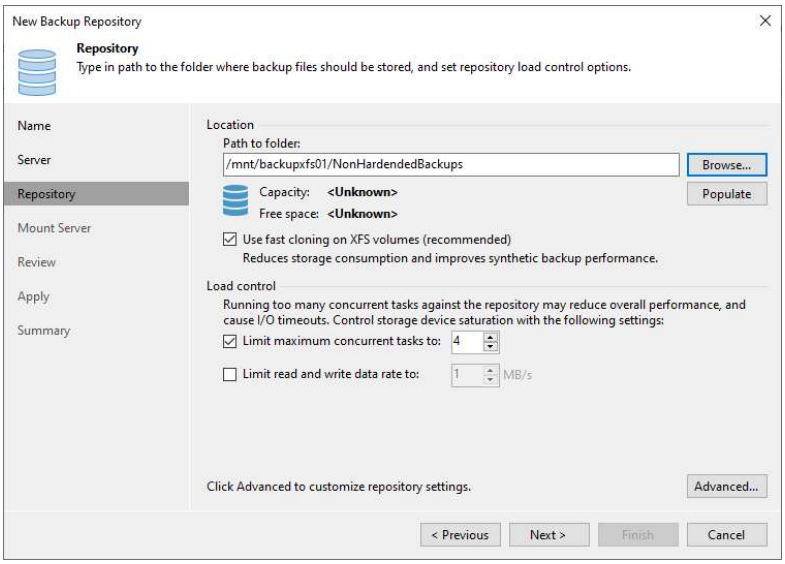
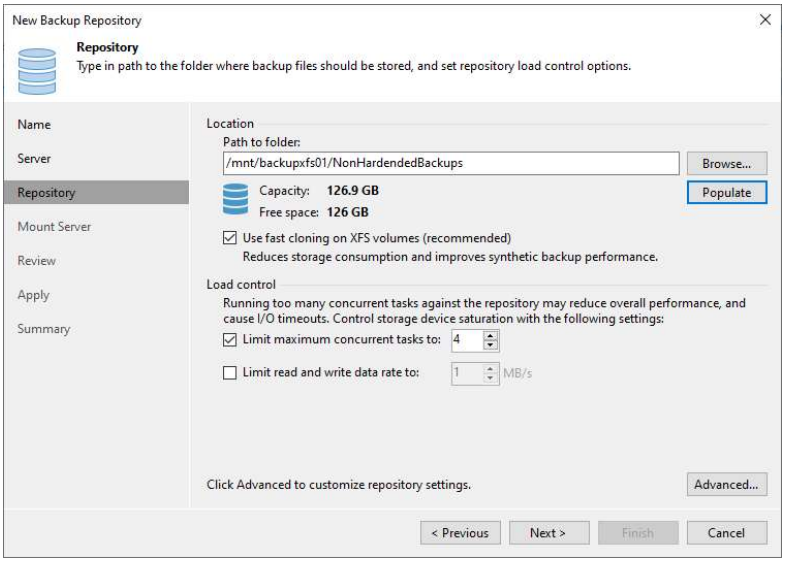
15. On the Repository page, click Populate.



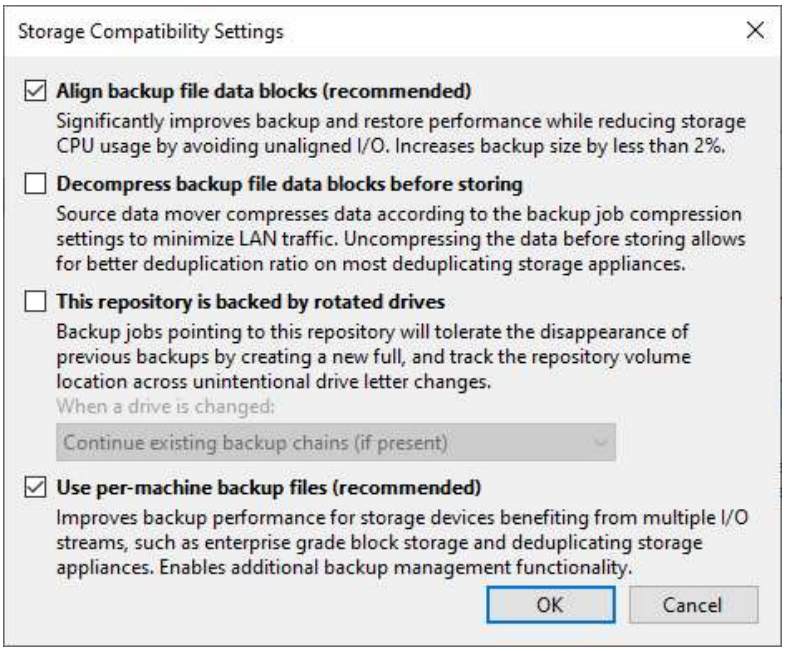
16. On the Repository page, select Use fast closing on XFS volumes.
17. Use the Load control settings to manage the load on the backup repository and avoid storage I/O timeouts.
18. Click Advanced.



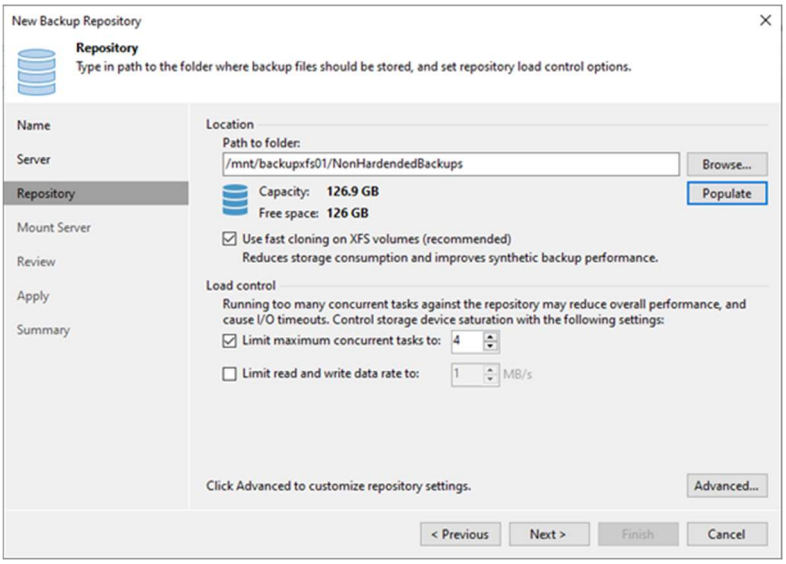
19. On the Storage Compatibility Settings, select Align backup file data blocks (recommended) checkbox
20. Select Use per-machine backup files and click OK.

Note:

Select Decompress backup file data blocks before storing if you use a deduplicating storage feature or appliance.



21. On the Repository page, click Next.



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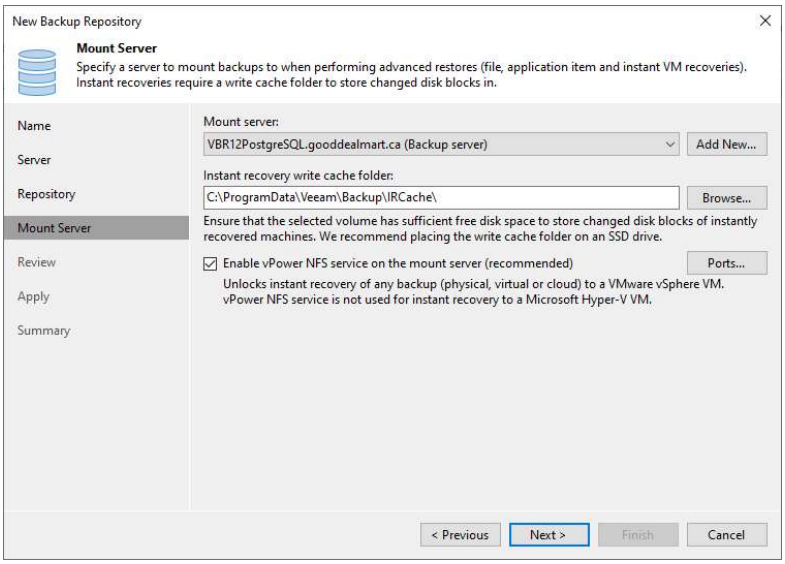
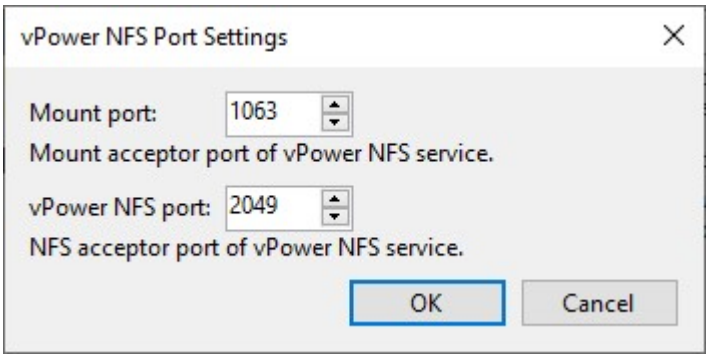
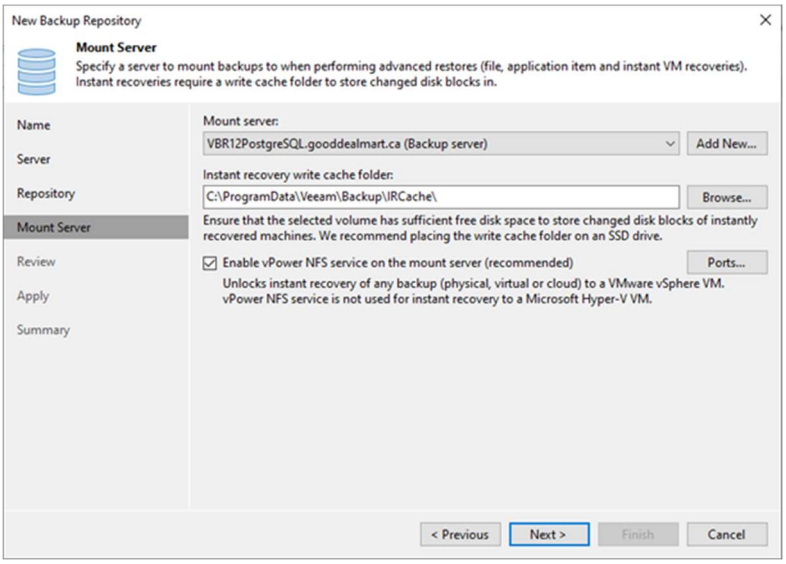
22. Select a mount server from the Mount server drop-down list on the Mount Server page.
23. Select a folder in the Instant recovery write cache folder field for writing cache during mount operations.
24. Select Enable vPower NFS service on the mount server (recommend) and click Ports.



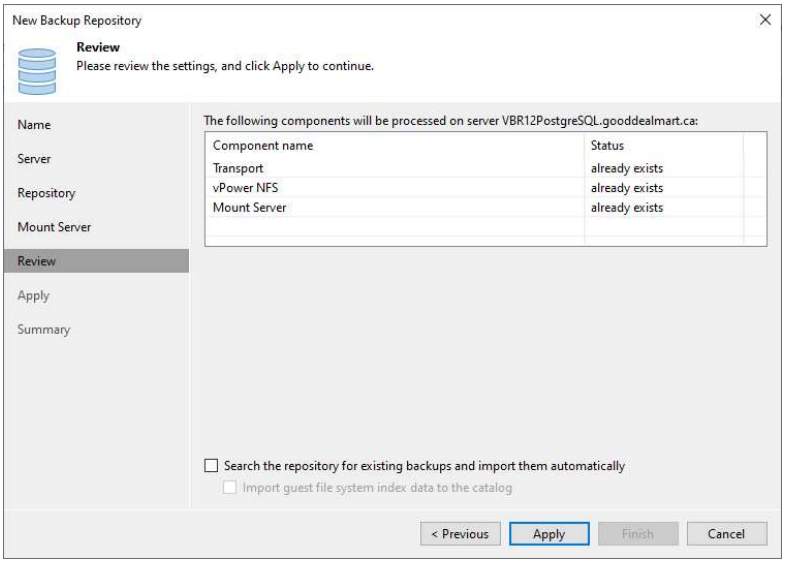
25. Review the ports settings on the vPower NFS Port Settings and click OK.



26. Click Next on the Mount Server page.



27. Click Apply on the Review page.
28. Select the Search the repository for existing backups and import them automatically checkbox if the backup repository contains backups previously created with Veeam Backup & Replication.
29. Select the Import guest file system index data to the catalog checkbox if the backup repository contains guest file system index files previously created by Veeam Backup & Replication.



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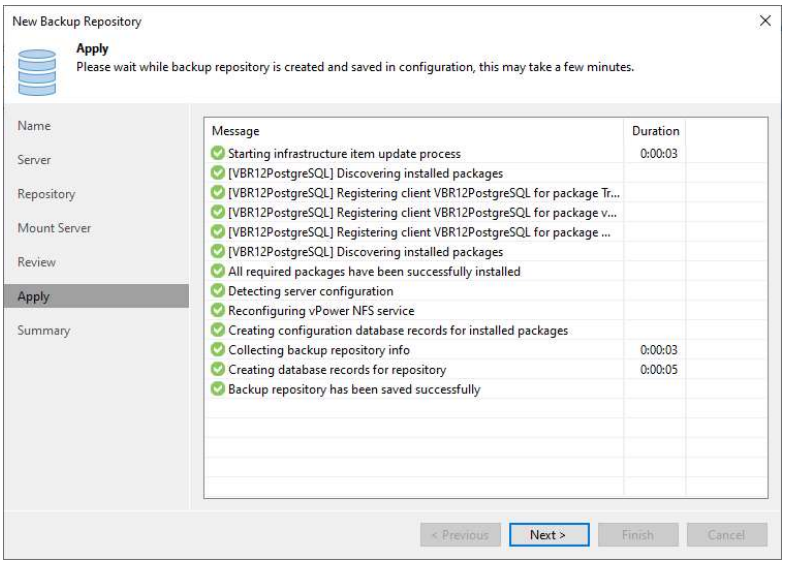
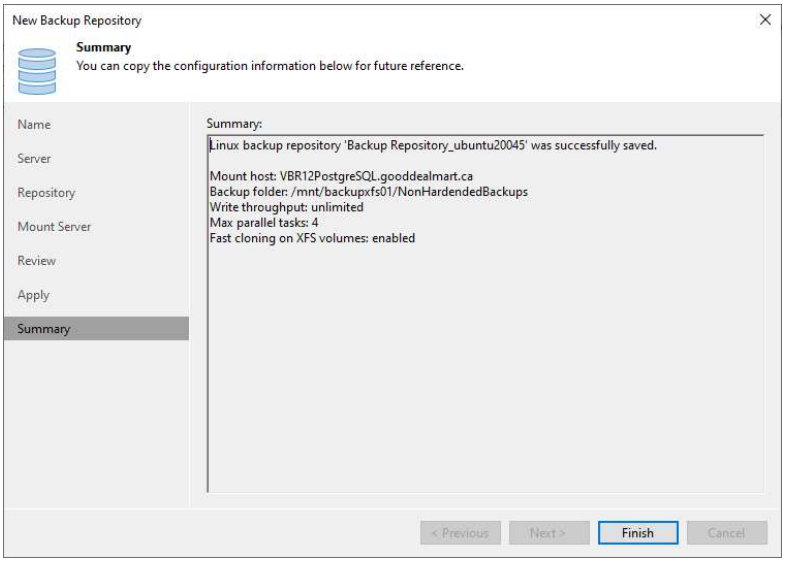
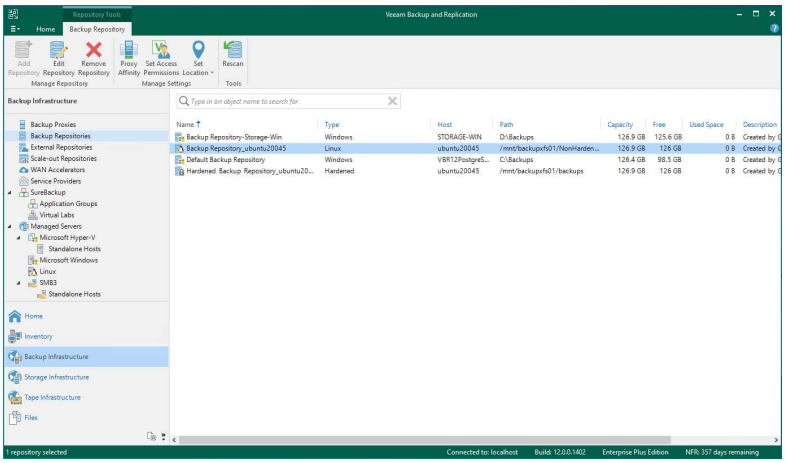


31. Click Finish on the Summary page.



32. Verify that the Linux Backup Repository has been added.



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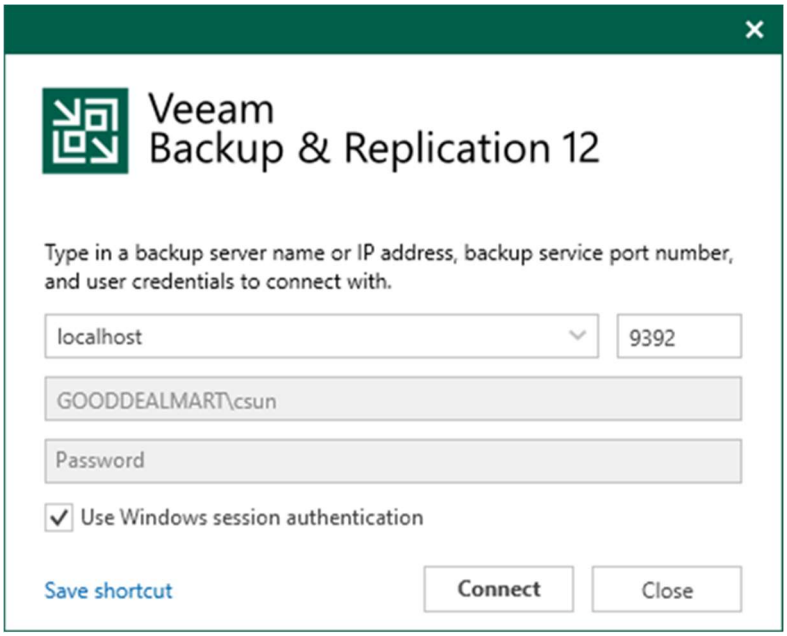
Add the Linux server's local directory as a Hardened Backup Repository

You can add a hardened repository based on a Linux server to your backup infrastructure to protect your backup files from loss due to malware activity or unplanned actions. The hardened repository supports the following features:

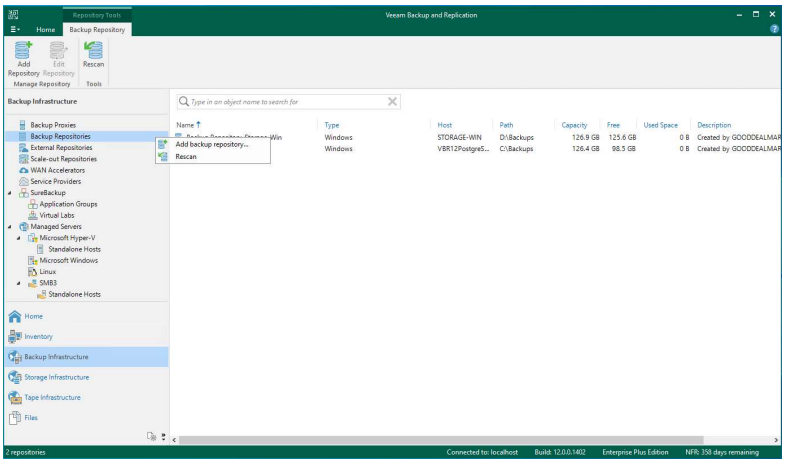
- Immutability: You specify the period when you add a hardened repository, and backup files must be immutable.
- Single-use credentials: Credentials will only be used once to add the Linux server to the backup infrastructure. The backup infrastructure does not store these credentials. Therefore, the attacker cannot access the hardened repository even if the Veeam Backup & Replication server is compromised.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)

1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server.
2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console, and click Connect.



3. On the Home page, select Backup Infrastructure.
4. On the Backup Infrastructure page, select Backup Repositories.
5. Right-click Backup Repositories and select Add backup repository.



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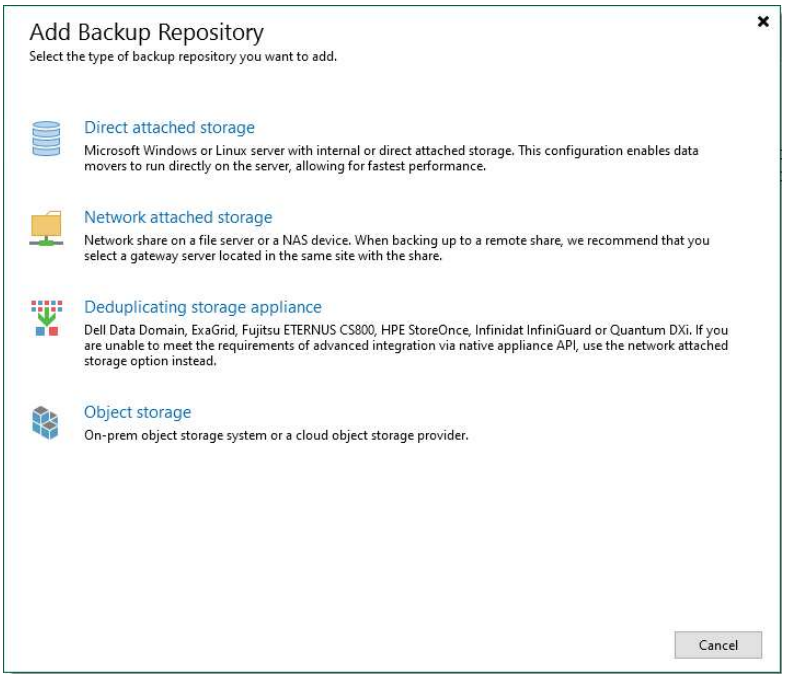
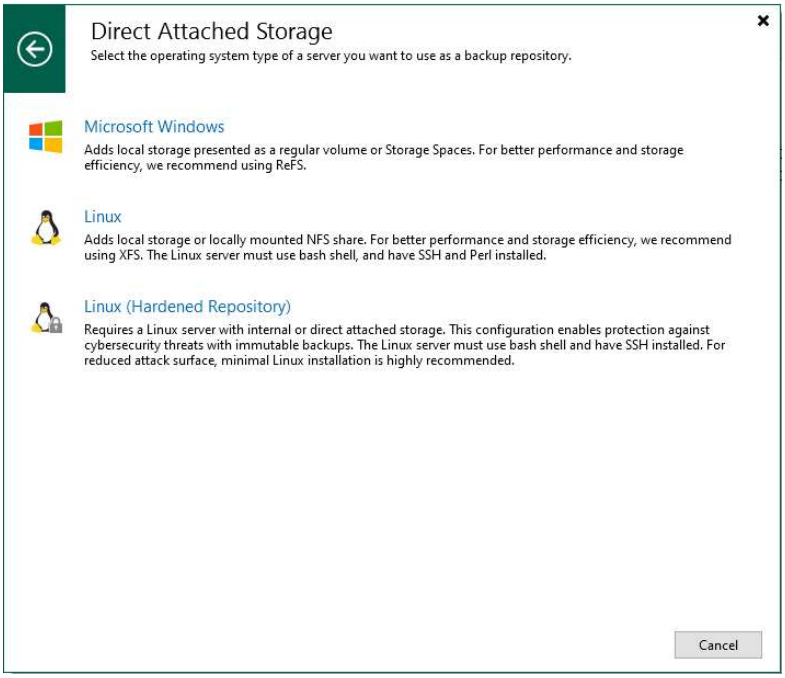
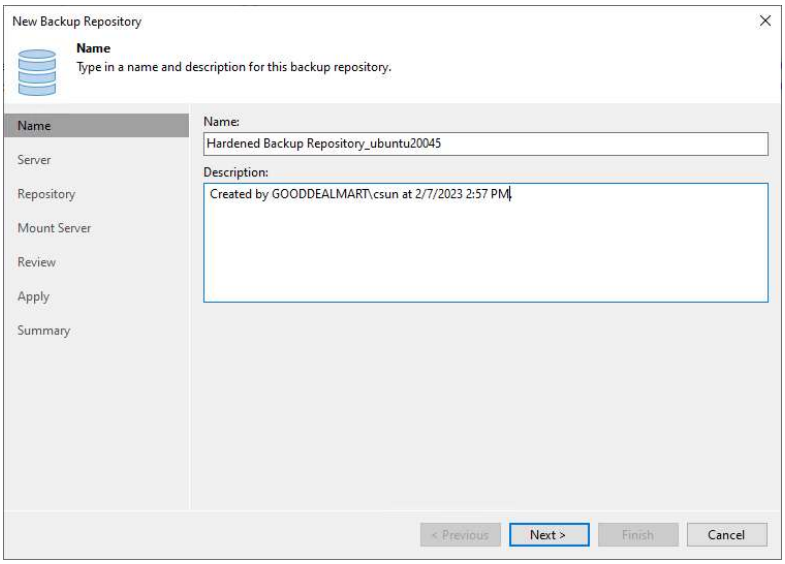
6. Select Direct attached storage on the Add Backup Repository page.



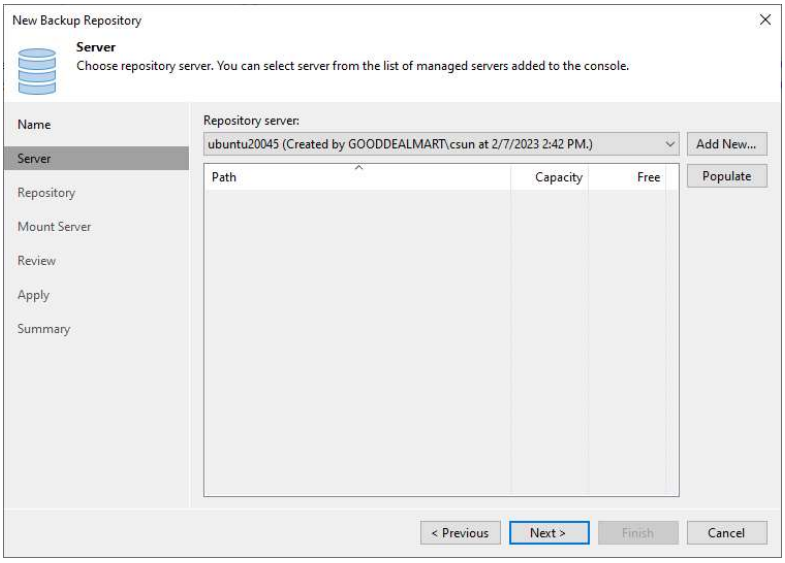
7. Select Linux (Hardened Repository) on the Direct Attached Storage page.



8. On the Name page, specify a Backup Repository name.
9. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



10. On the Server page, select the Linux server from the Repository server drop-down list and click Populate.



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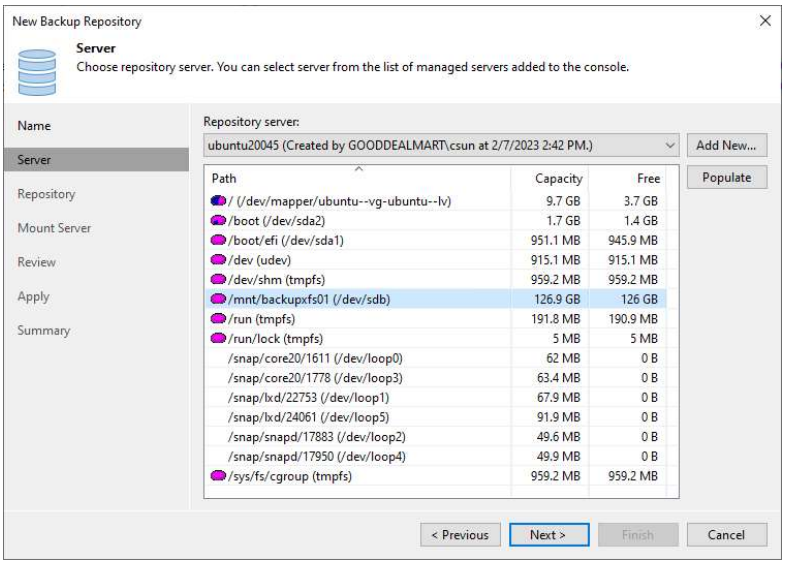
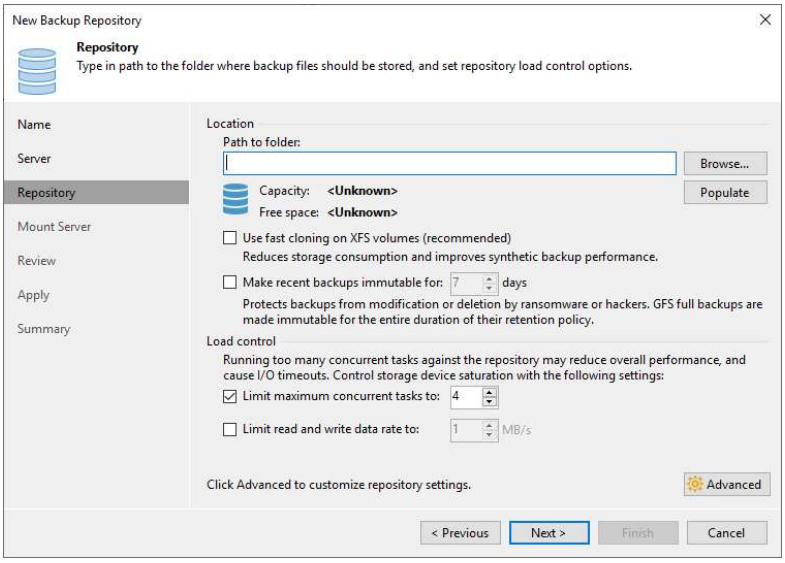
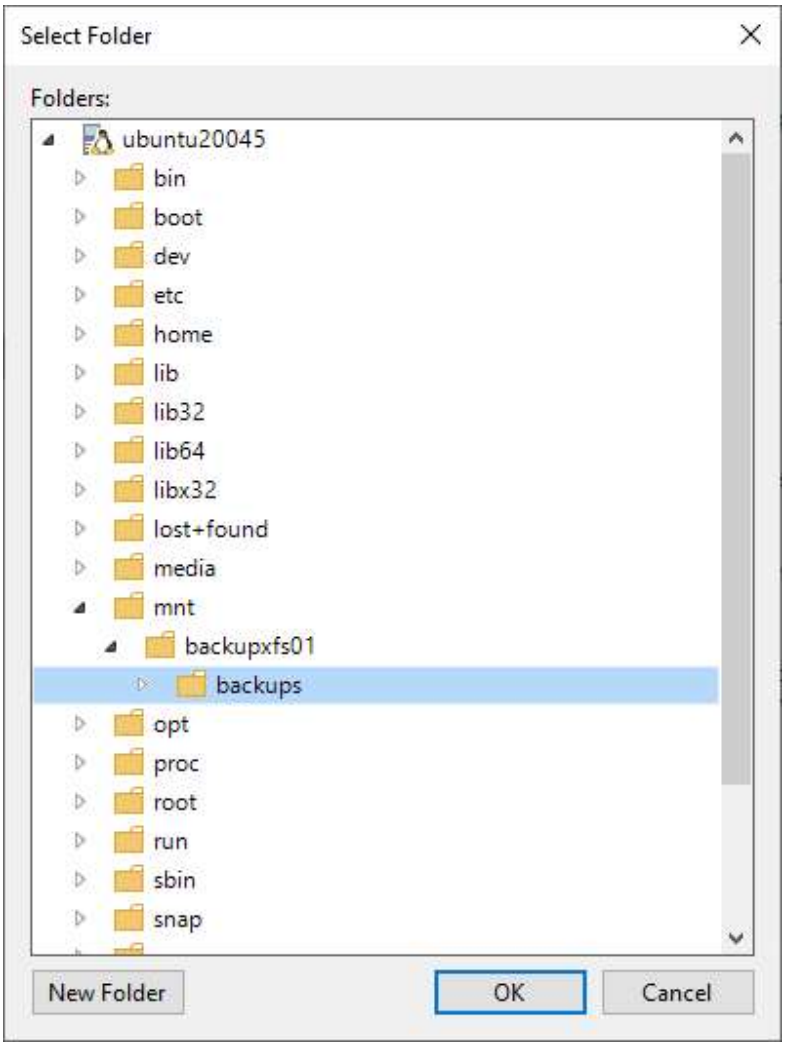
11. Select the disk and click Next.



12. On the Repository page, click Browser for Path to folder.



13. On the Select Folder page, expand the server.
14. Select the backup folder and click OK.



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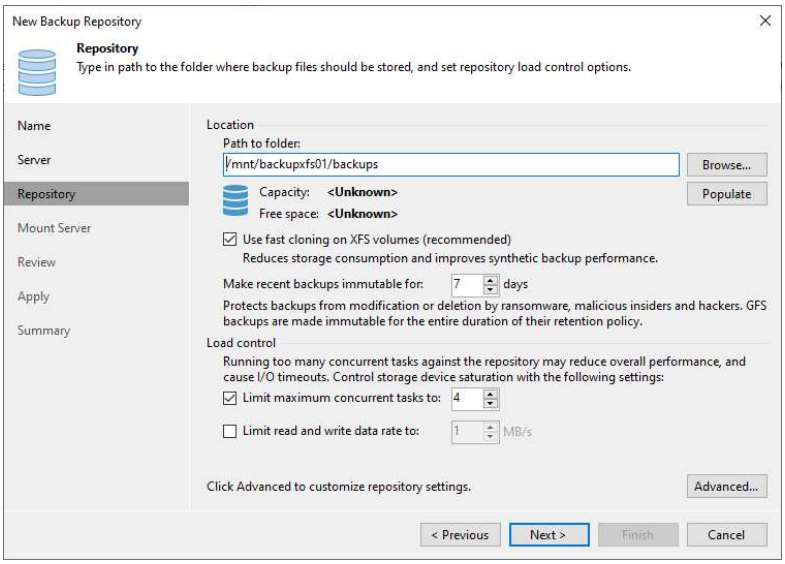
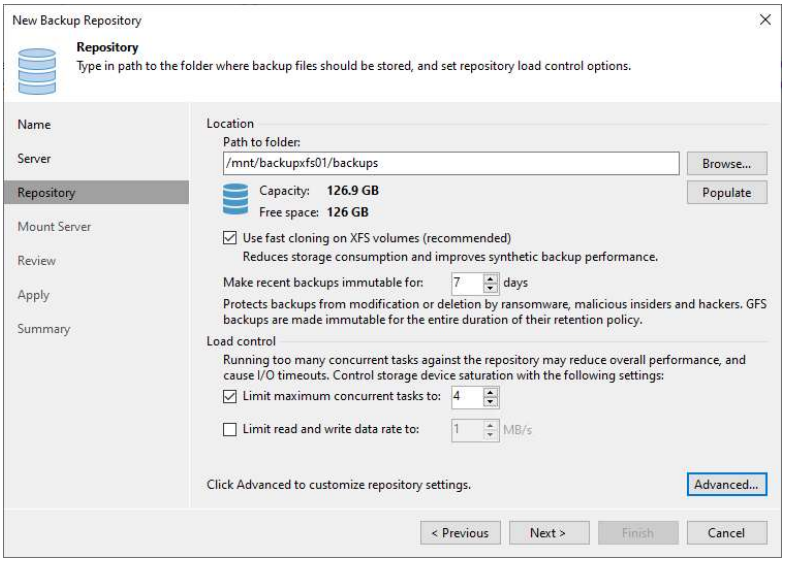
15. On the Repository page, click Populate.



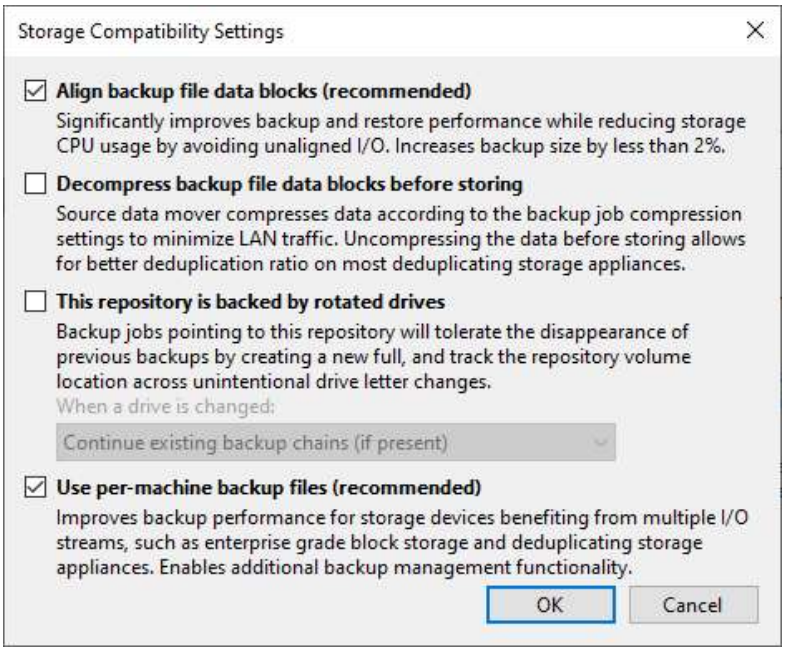
16. On the Repository page, select Use fast closing on XFS volumes.
17. Select Make recent backup immutable for 7 days. After that, it depends on your requirement.
18. Use the Load control settings to manage the load on the backup repository and avoid storage I/O timeouts.
19. Click Advanced.



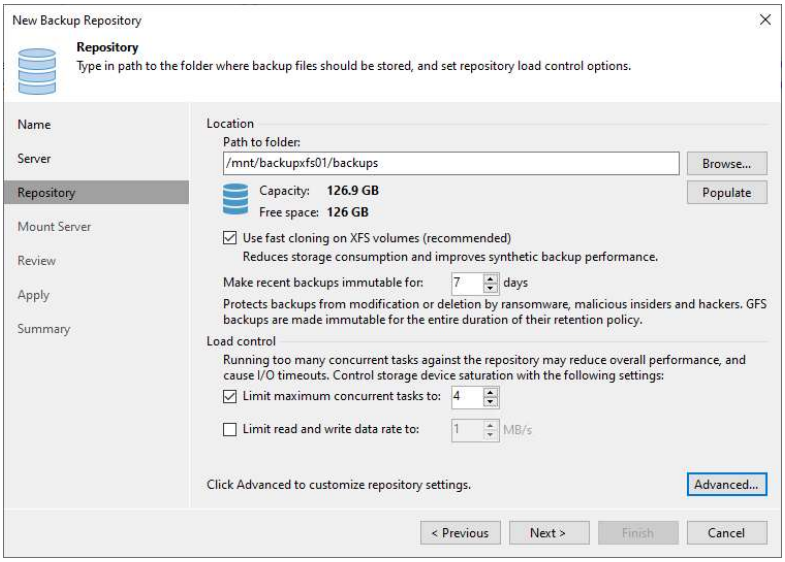
20. On the Storage Compatibility Settings, select Align backup file data blocks (recommended) checkbox
21. Select Use per-machine backup files and click OK.

Note:

Select Decompress backup file data blocks before storing if you use a deduplicating storage feature or appliance.



22. On the Repository page, click Next.



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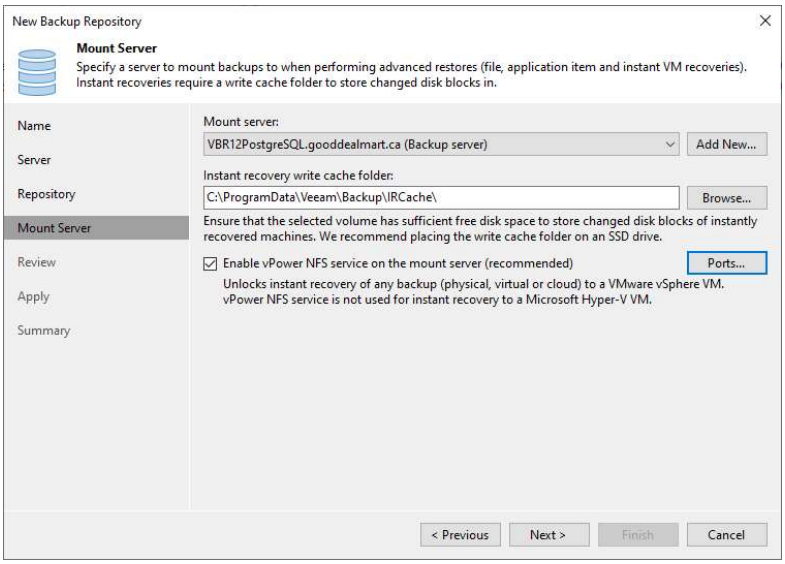
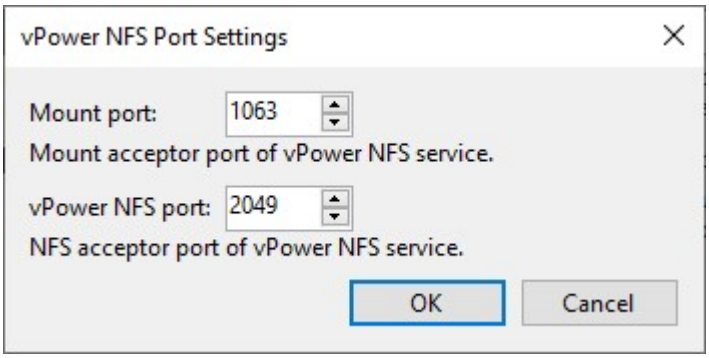
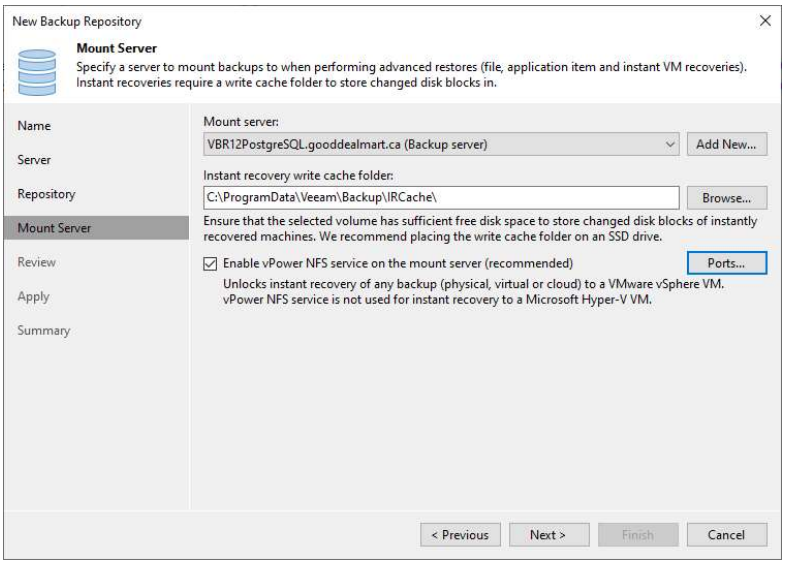
23. Select a mount server from the Mount server drop-down list on the Mount Server page.
24. Select a folder in the Instant recovery write cache folder field for writing cache during mount operations.
25. Select Enable vPower NFS service on the mount server (recommend) and click Ports.



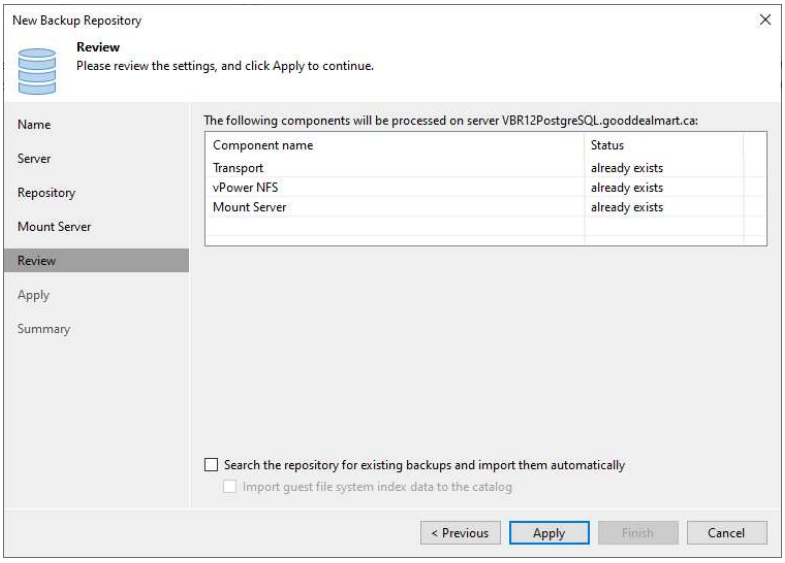
26. Review the ports settings on the vPower NFS Port Settings page and click OK.



27. Click Next on the Mount Server page.



28. On the Review page, click Apply.
29. Select the Search the repository for existing backups and import them automatically checkbox if the backup repository contains backups previously created with Veeam Backup & Replication.
30. Select the Import guest file system index data to the catalog checkbox if the backup repository contains guest file system index files previously created by Veeam Backup & Replication.



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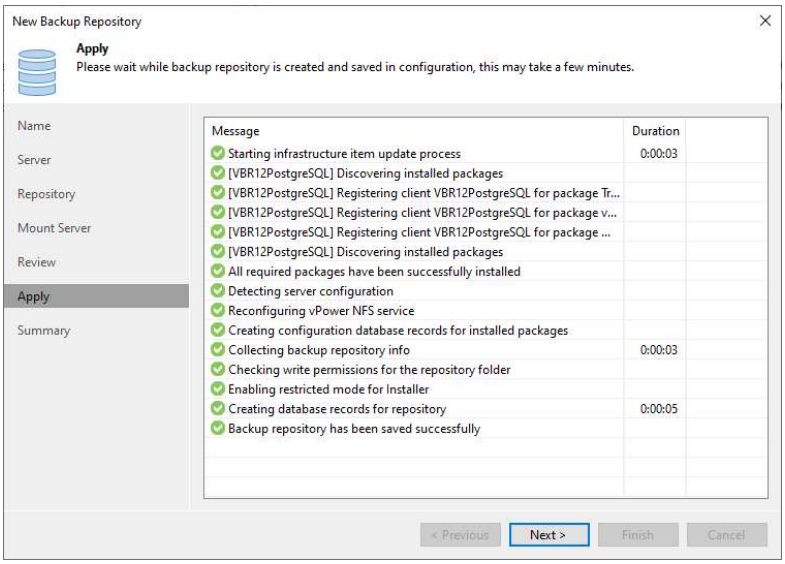
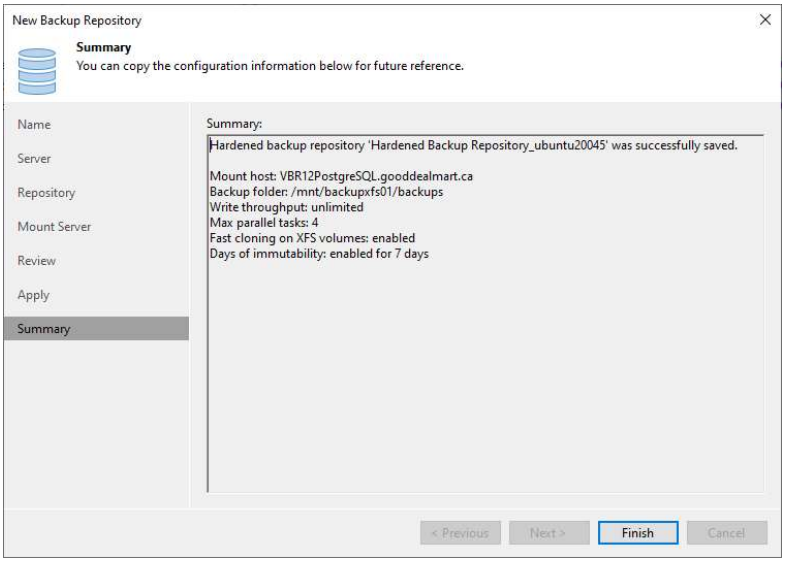
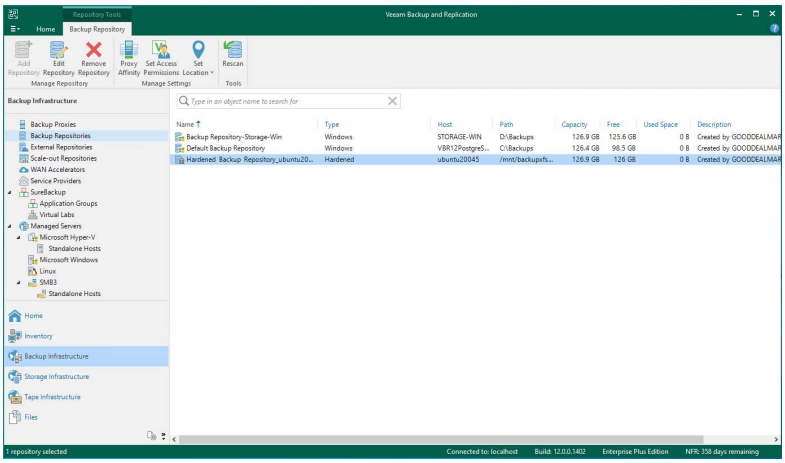
31. Click Next on the Apply page.



32. Click Finish on the Summary page.



33. Verify that the Hardened Backup Repository has been added.



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Add Network Attached Storage (SMB or CIFS Shares) as Backup Repository

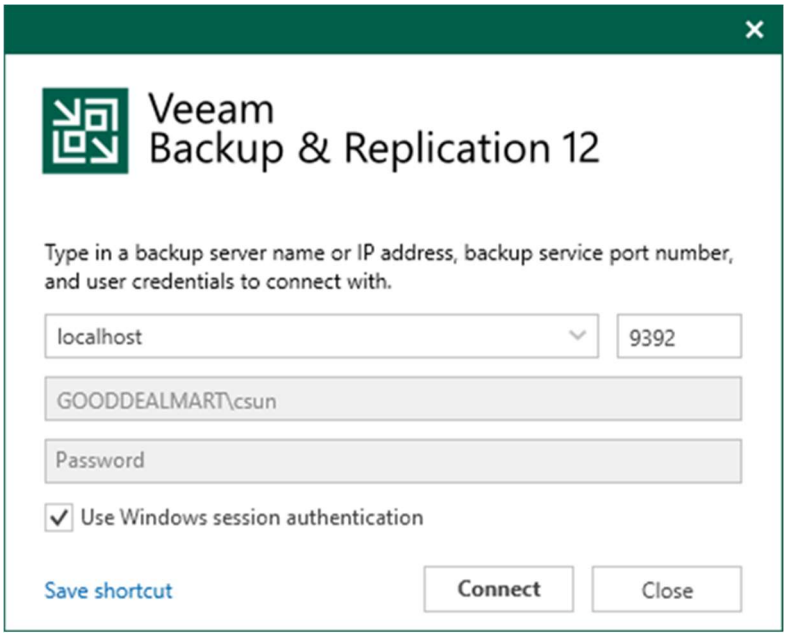
You can use network-attached storage (SMB or CIFS Shares) as backup repositories with Veeam Backup and Replication. A network-attached storage (NAS) device can be a shared folder on your computer or any other physical device accessed via the Server Message Block (SMB) protocol.

Note:

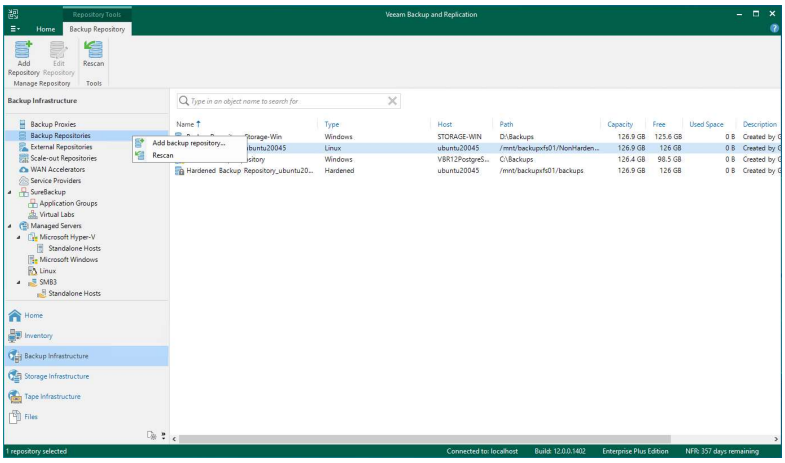
- You must deploy a gateway server because an SMB share cannot host Veeam Data Movers. However, Veeam Backup & Replication will automatically deploy a Veeam Data Mover on this gateway server.
- It is recommended that you deploy an additional gateway server in the remote site, closer to the SMB repository, if you plan to move VM data to an off-site SMB repository over a WAN link,

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)

1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server.
2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.



3. Select Backup Infrastructure on the Home page.
4. Select Backup Repositories on the Backup Infrastructure page.
5. Right-click Backup Repositories and select Add backup repository.



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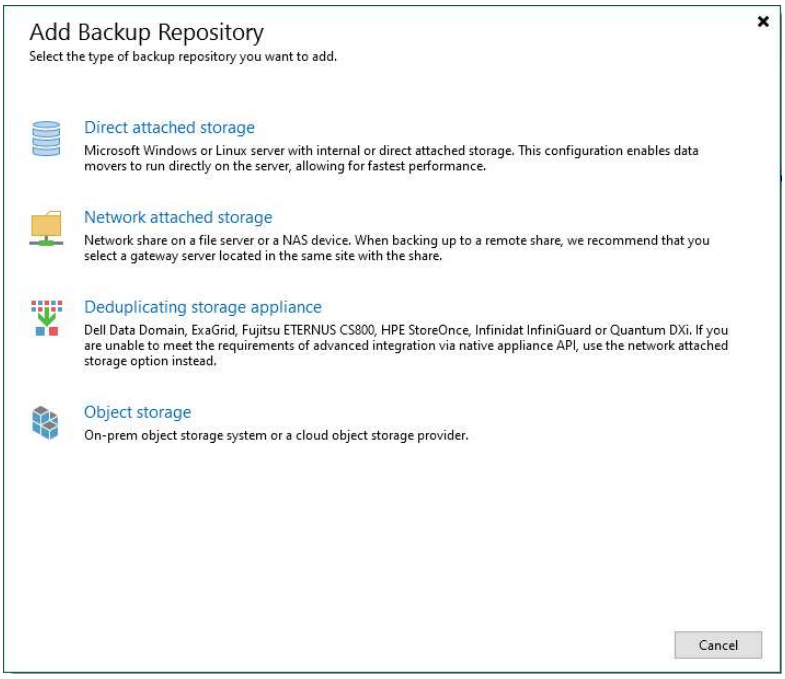
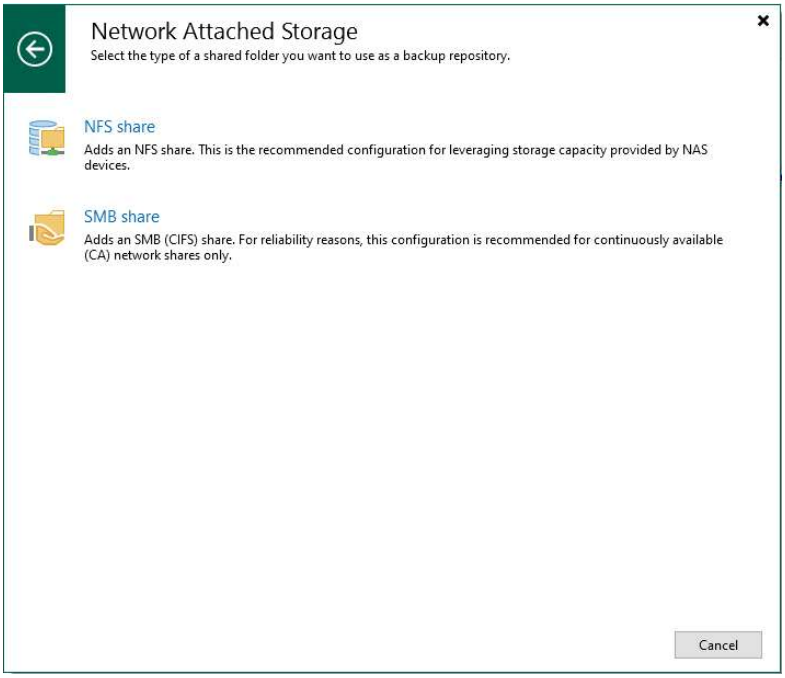
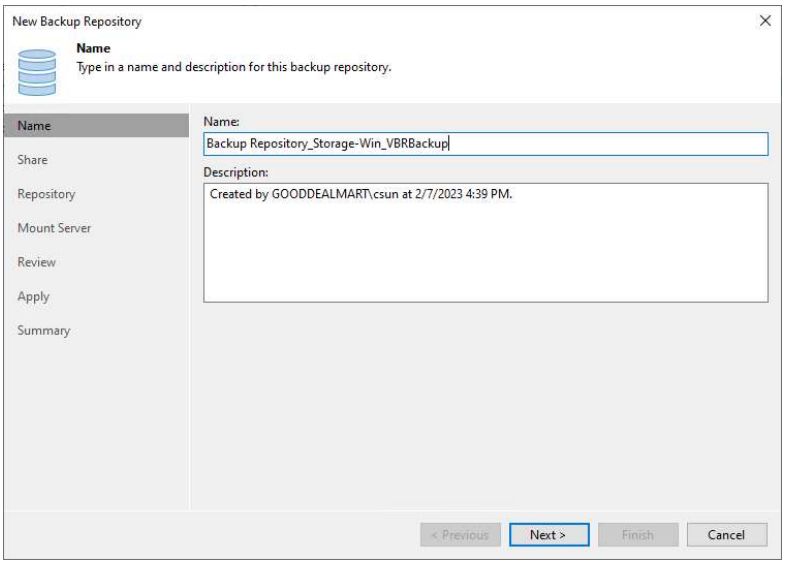
6. On the Add Backup Repository page, select Network attached storage.



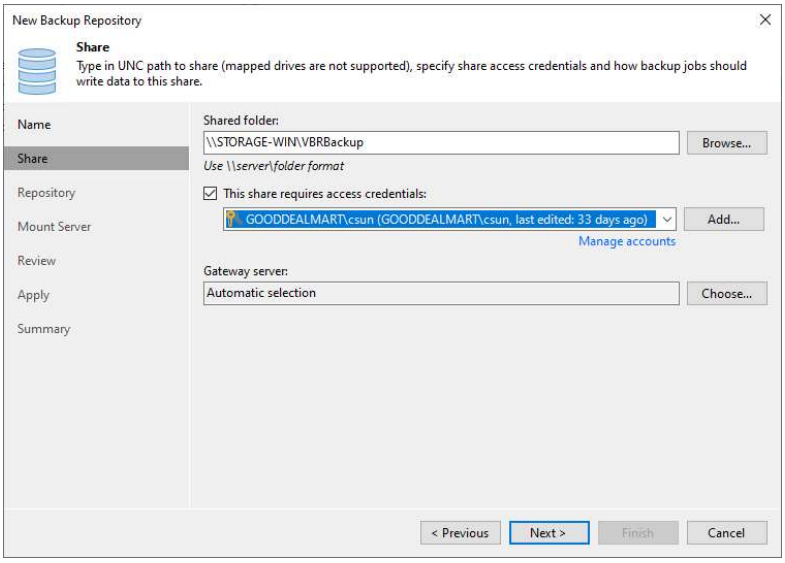
7. Select SMB share on the Network Attached Storage.



8. On the Name page, specify a Backup Repository name.
9. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



10. On the Share page, enter the share folder name in the Share folder field.
11. Select This share requires access credentials checkbox and select a credential from the drop-down list.
12. Select Automatic selection or click Choose to select the Gateway server.
13. Click Next.



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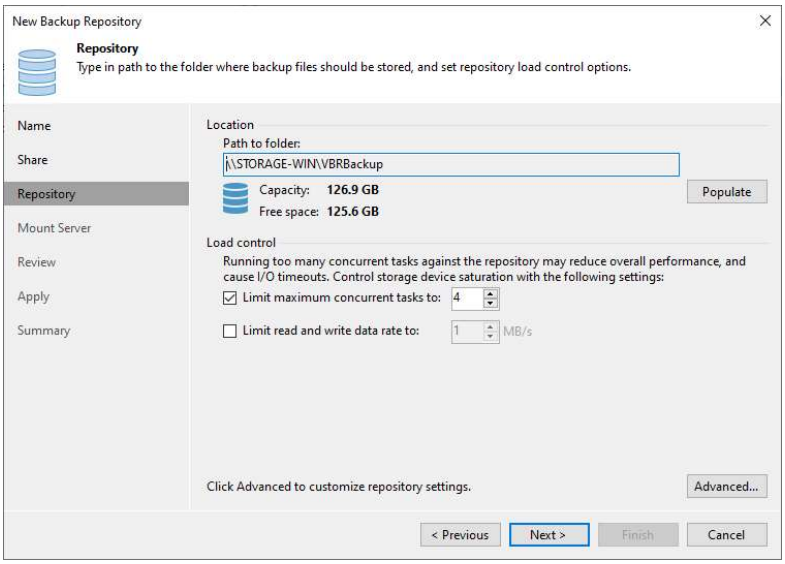
14. Use the Load control settings to manage the load on the backup repository and avoid storage I/O timeouts.
15. Click Advanced.



16. On the Storage Compatibility Settings, select Align backup file data blocks (recommended) checkbox
17. Select Use per-machine backup files and click OK.

Note:

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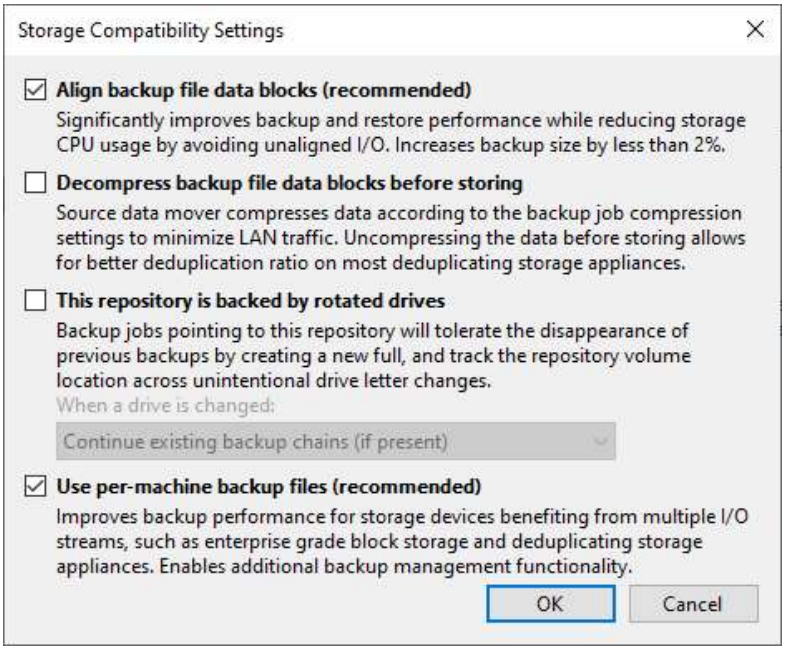
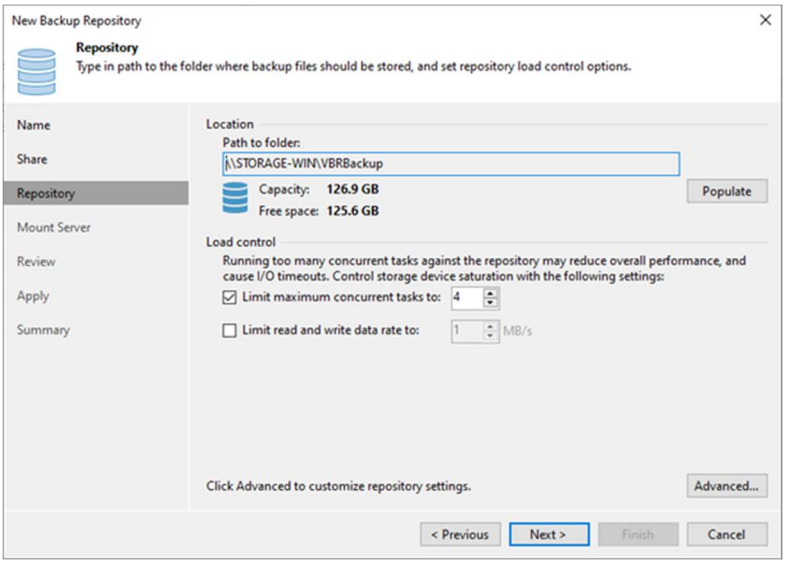
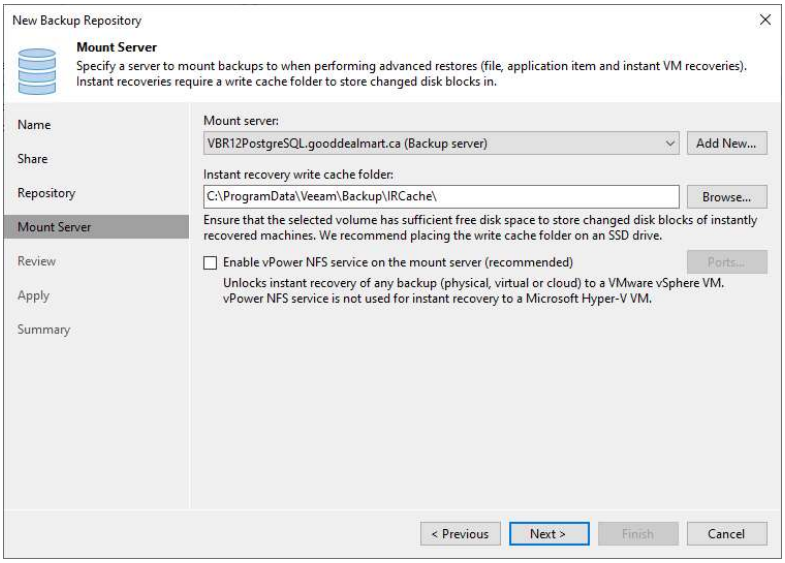


18. Click Next on the Repository page.



19. Select a mount server from the Mount server drop-down list on the Mount Server page.
20. Select a folder in the Instant recovery write cache folder field for writing cache during mount operations.
21. Unselect Enable vPower NFS service on the mount server because the vPower NFS service is not used for instant recovery to a Microsoft Hyper-V VM.
22. Click Next.



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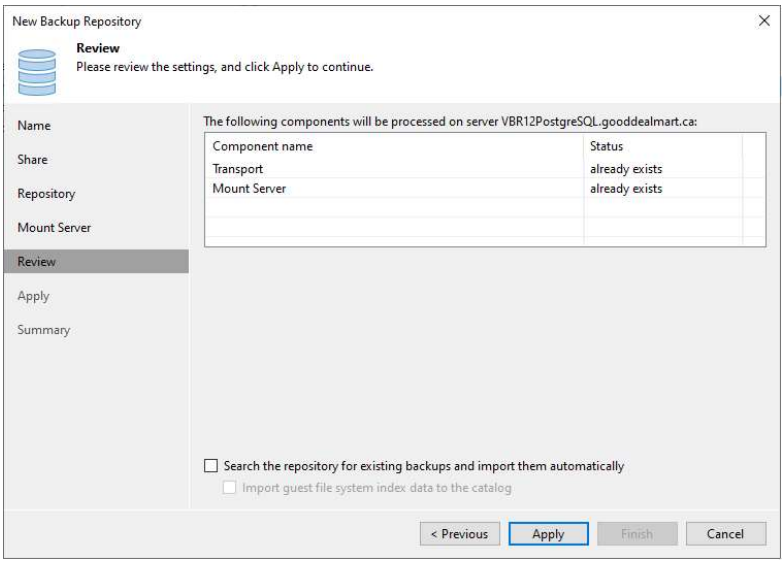
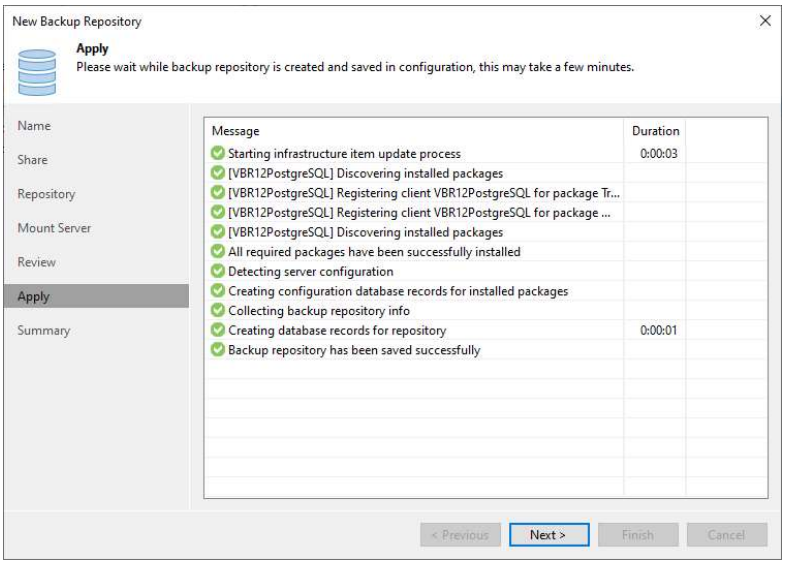
23. Click Apply on the Review page.
24. Select the Search the repository for existing backups and import them automatically checkbox if the backup repository contains backups previously created with Veeam Backup & Replication.
25. Select the Import guest file system index data to the catalog checkbox if the backup repository contains guest file system index files previously created by Veeam Backup & Replication.



26. Click Next on the Apply page.



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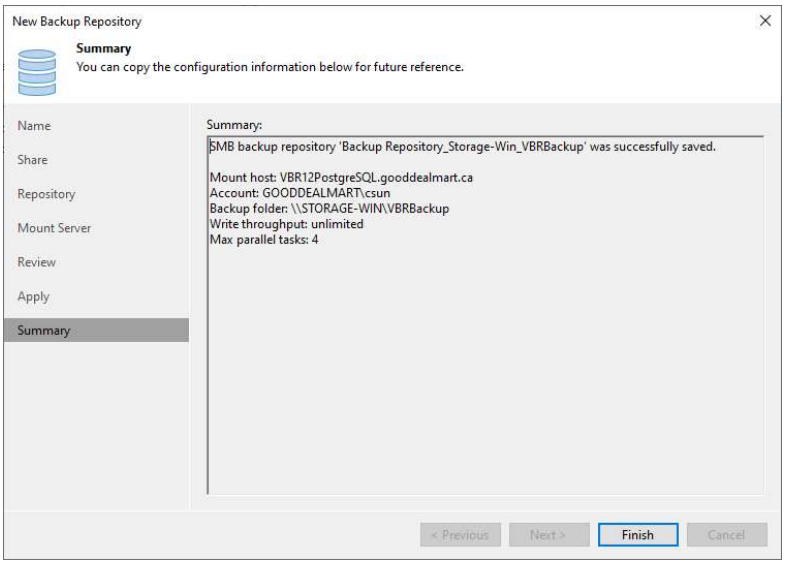
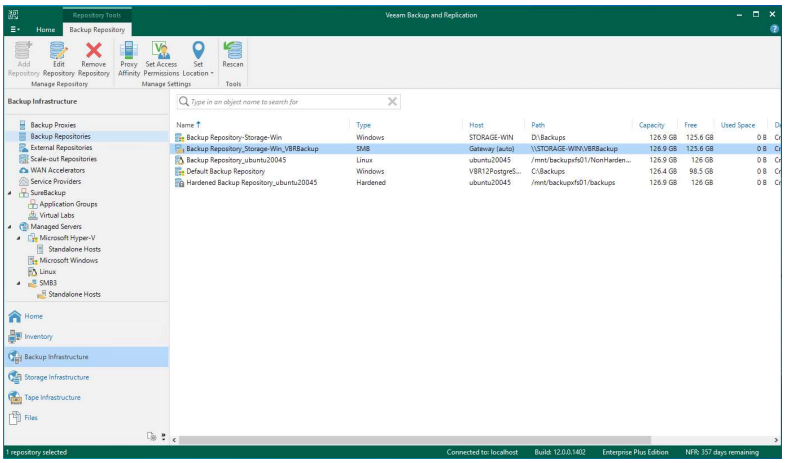


28. Verify that the Backup Repository has been added.



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Add the Microsoft Windows server's Rotated Drives as a Backup Repository

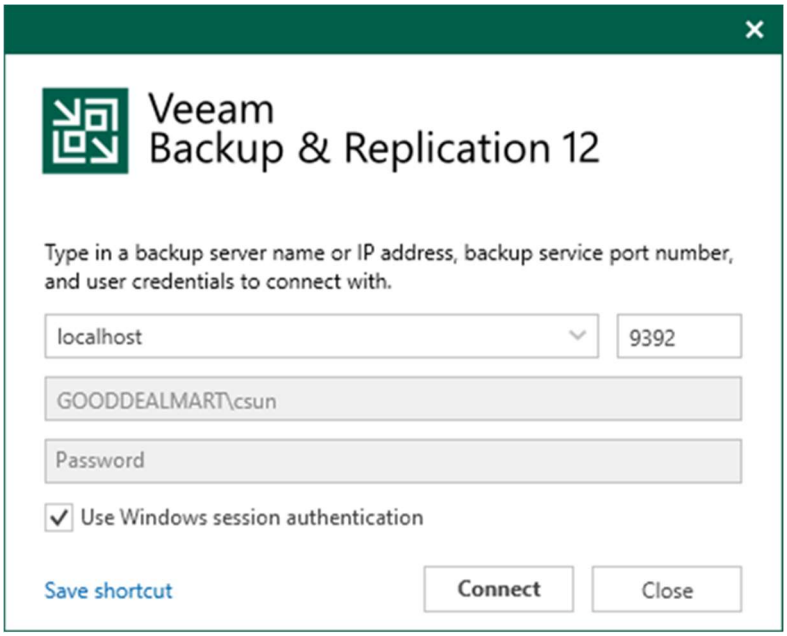
This scenario is helpful if you want to store backups on multiple external hard drives that you intend to move between locations. The drives that are rotated can be detachable USB or eSATA hard drives.

There are some limitations as below:

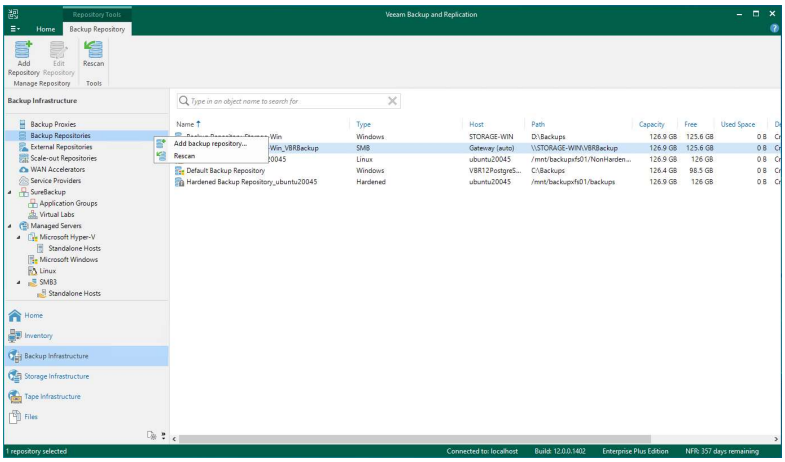
- Only one repository with rotated drives can be created on a single managed server.
- You cannot store archive full backups (GFS backups) created with backup jobs or backup copy jobs in backup repositories with a rotated drive.
- You cannot store per-machine backup files in backup repositories with rotated drives.
- You cannot rescan backup repositories with rotated drives.
- Scale-out backup repositories do not support rotated drives.
- Repositories with rotated drives are not supported as primary backup repositories, archive repositories, and secondary target repositories for NAS backup.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)

1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server.
2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.



3. Select Backup Infrastructure on the Home page.
4. Select Backup Repositories on the Backup Infrastructure page.
5. Right-click Backup Repositories and select Add backup repository.



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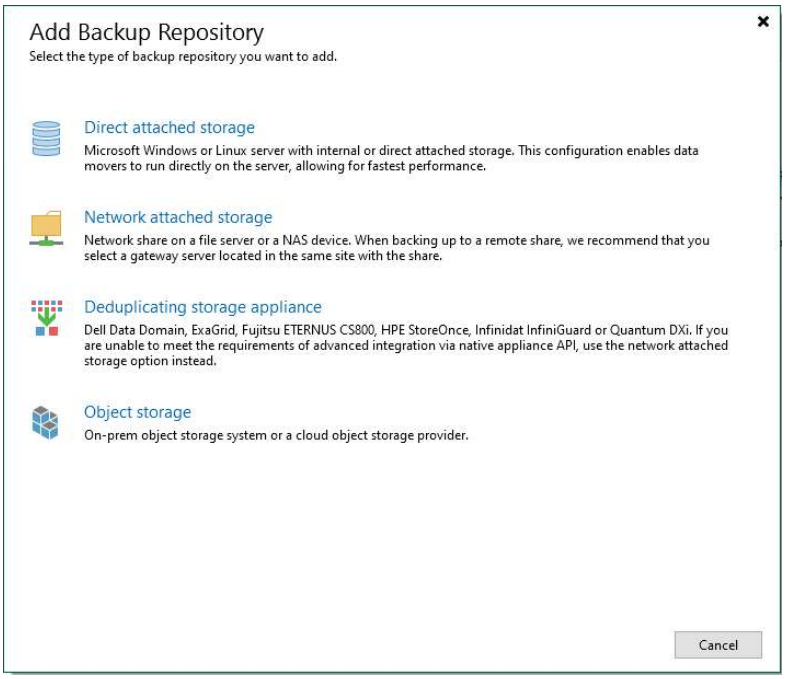
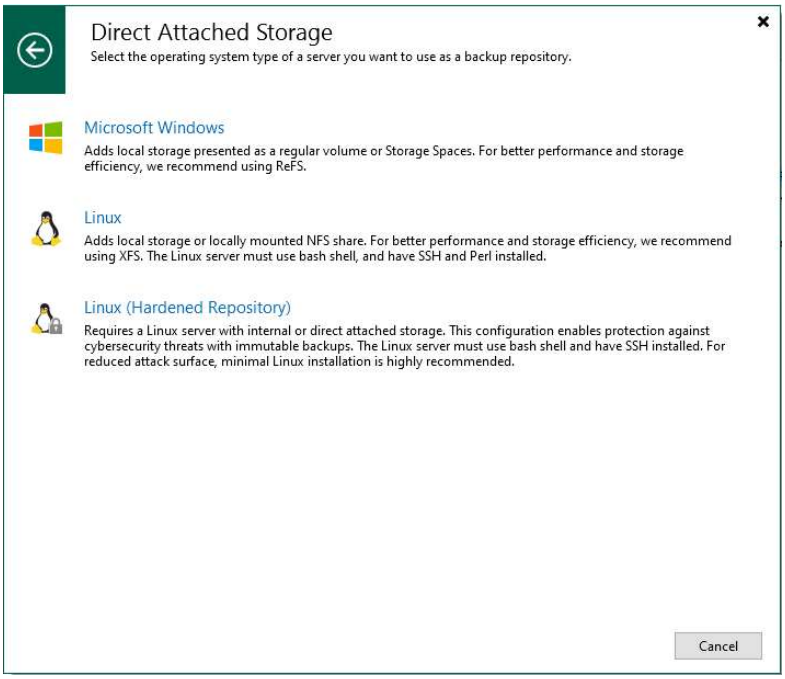
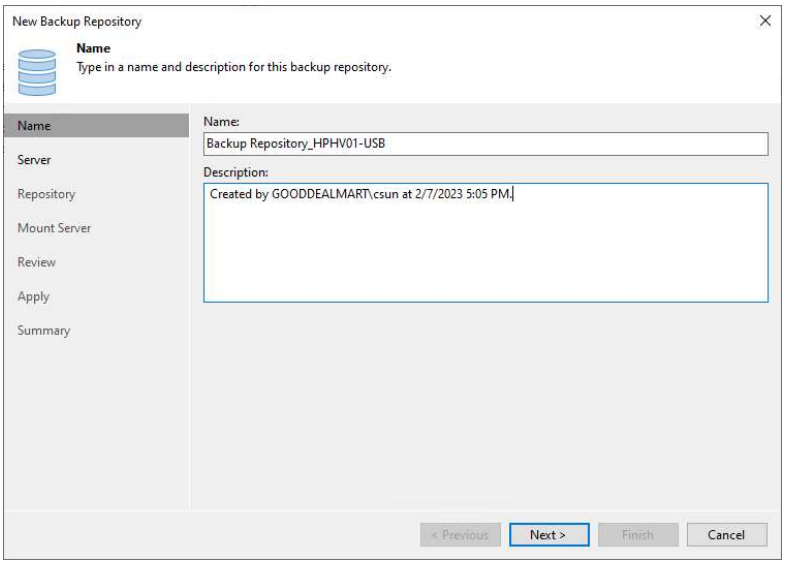
6. Select Direct attached storage on the Add Backup Repository page.



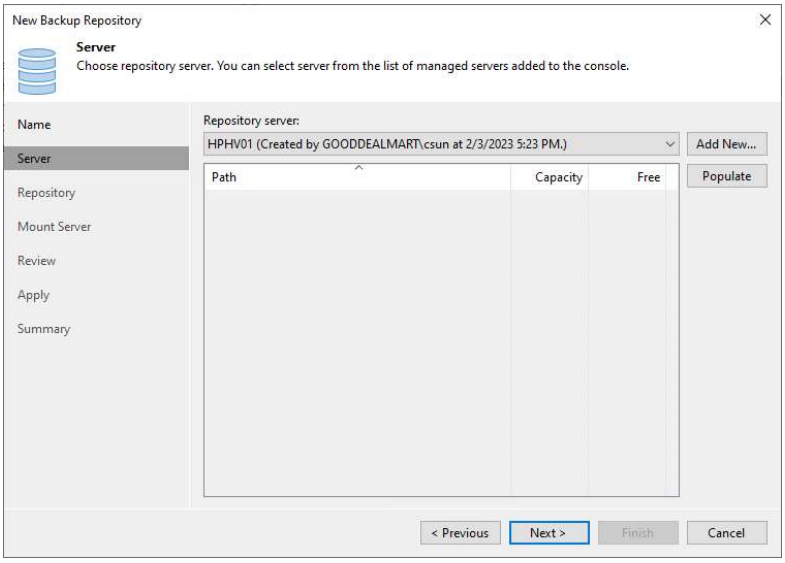
7. Select Microsoft Windows on the Direct Attached Storage page.



8. On the Name page, specify a Backup Repository name.
9. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click Next.



10. On the Server page, select the Microsoft Windows server from the Repository server drop-down list and click Populate.



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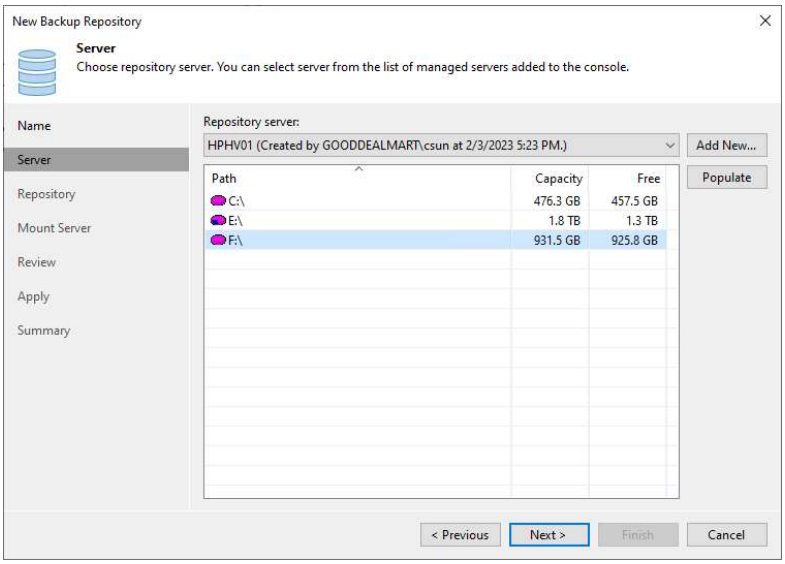
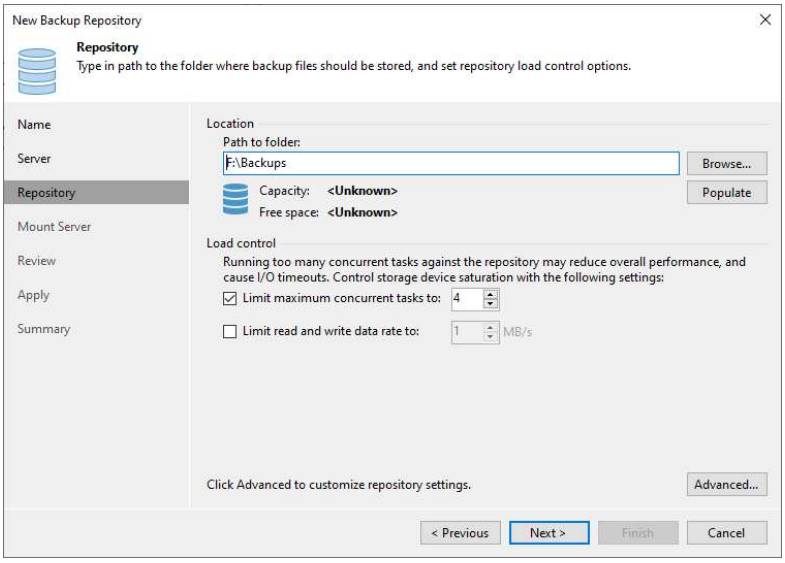
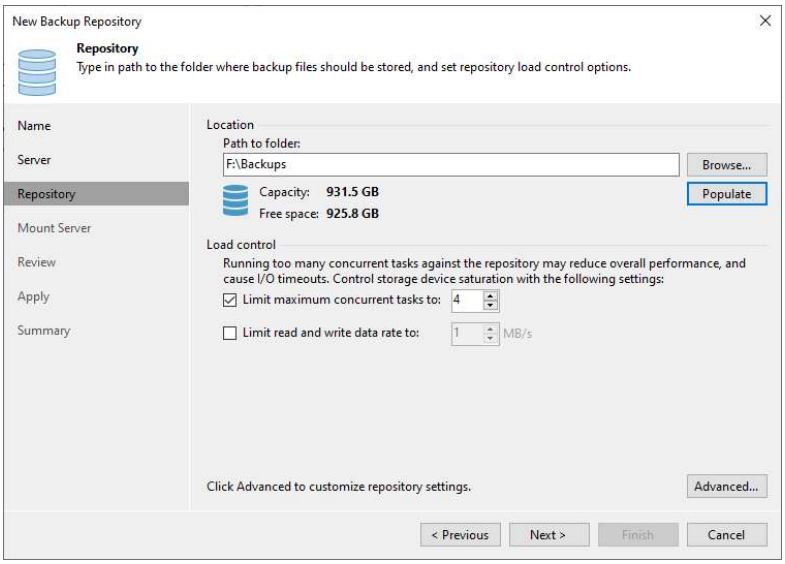
11. Select the disk and click Next.



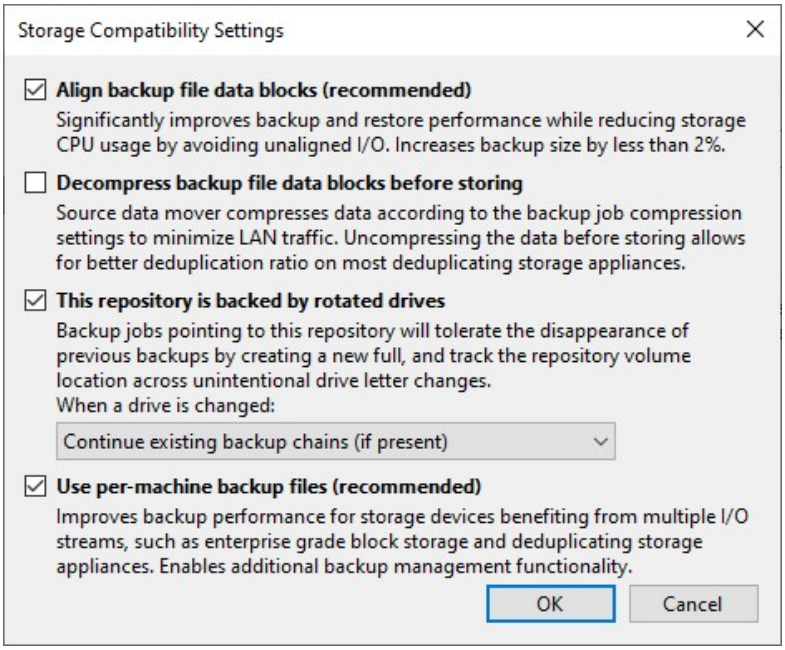
12. On the Repository page, click Populate to review the disk capacity and free space.



13. Use the Load control settings to manage the load on the backup repository and avoid storage I/O timeouts.
14. Click Advanced.



15. On the Storage Compatibility Settings, select Align backup file data blocks (recommended) checkbox
16. Select This repository is backed by rotated drives checkbox and Specify how Veeam Backup & Replication should react when a drive is swapped.
17. Select Use per-machine backup files and click OK.



Note:

Select Decompress backup file data blocks before storing if

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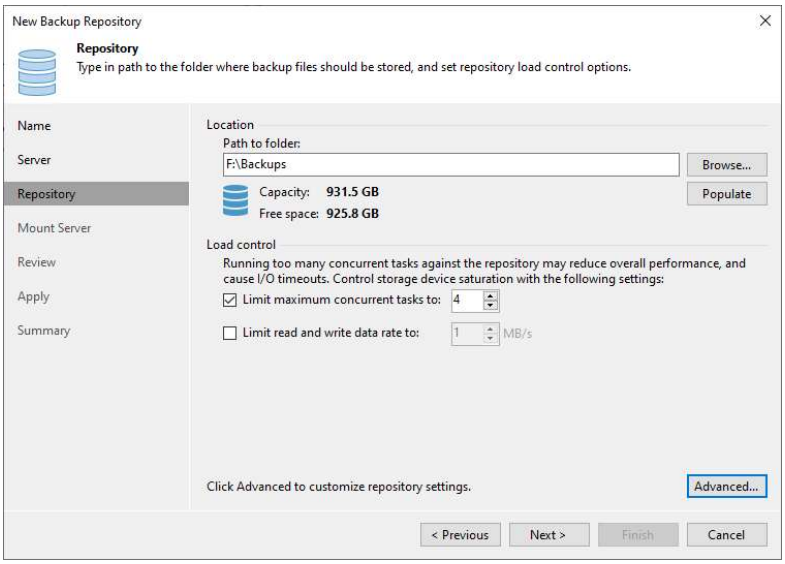
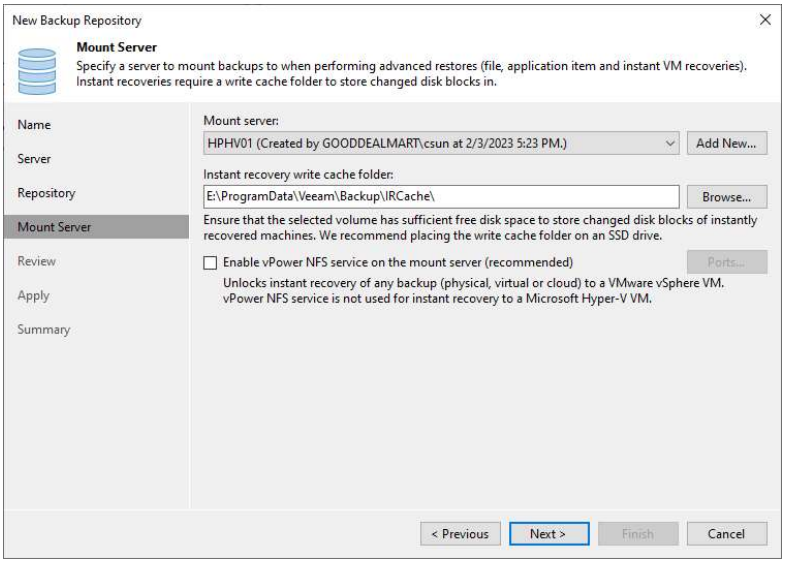
you use a deduplicating storage feature or appliance.

18. Click Next on the Repository page.



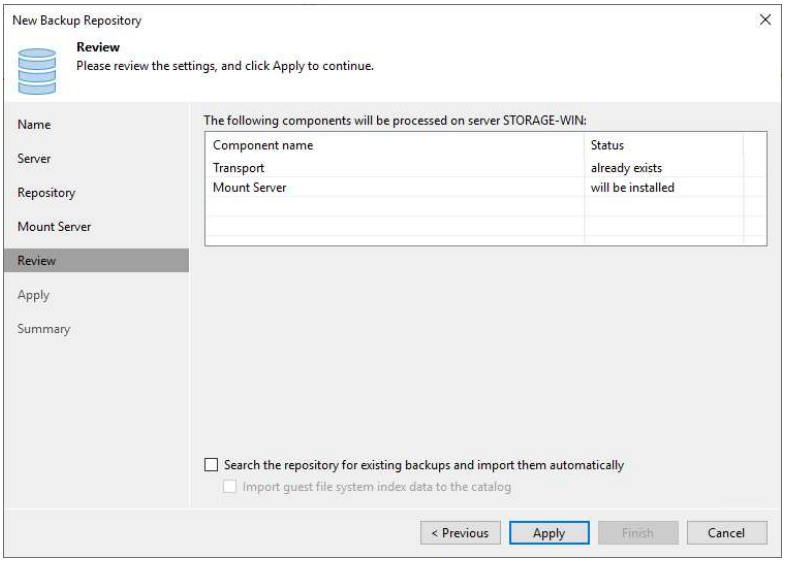
19. Select a mount server from the Mount server drop-down list on the Mount Server page. The mount server is required for file-level and application items restoration.
20. Select a folder in the Instant recovery write cache folder field for writing cache during mount operations.
21. Unselect Enable vPower NFS service on the mount server because the



vPower NFS service is not used for instant recovery to a Microsoft Hyper-V VM.

22. Click Next.

23. Click Apply on the Review page.
24. Select the Search the repository for existing backups and import them automatically checkbox if the backup repository contains backups previously created with Veeam Backup & Replication.
25. Select the Import guest file system index data to the catalog checkbox if the backup repository contains guest file system index files previously created by Veeam Backup & Replication.



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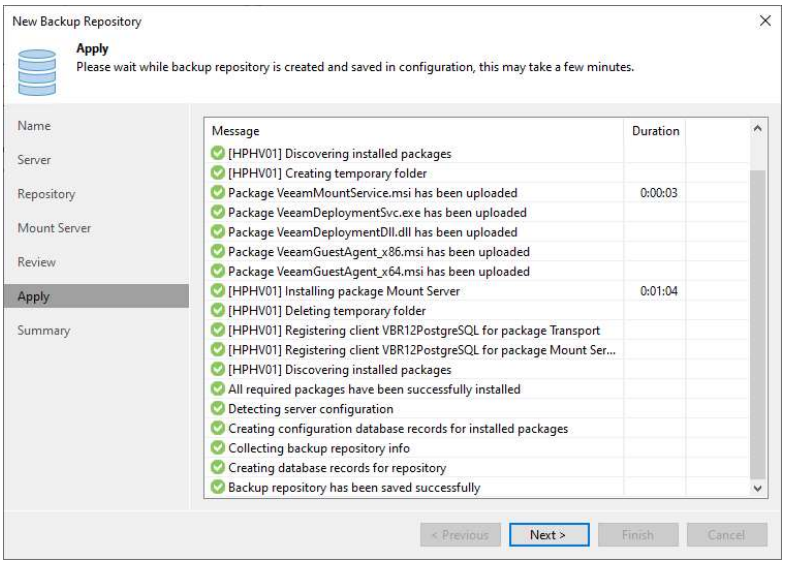
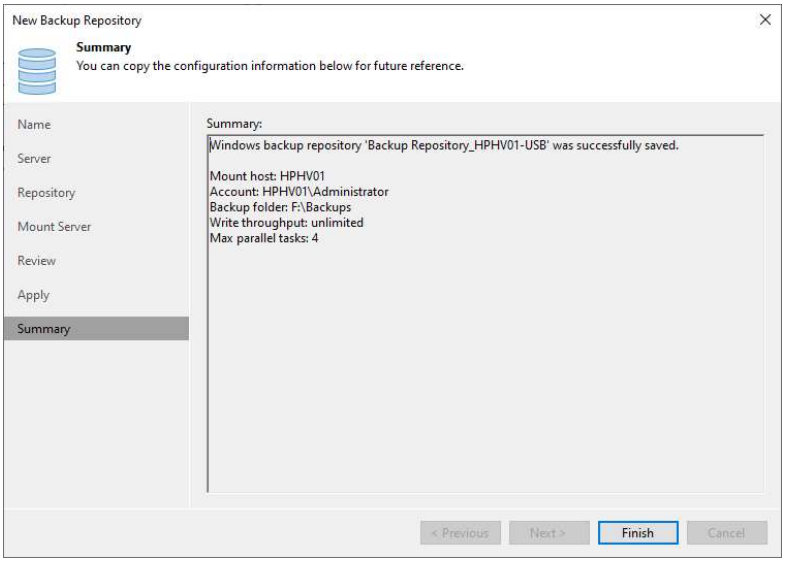
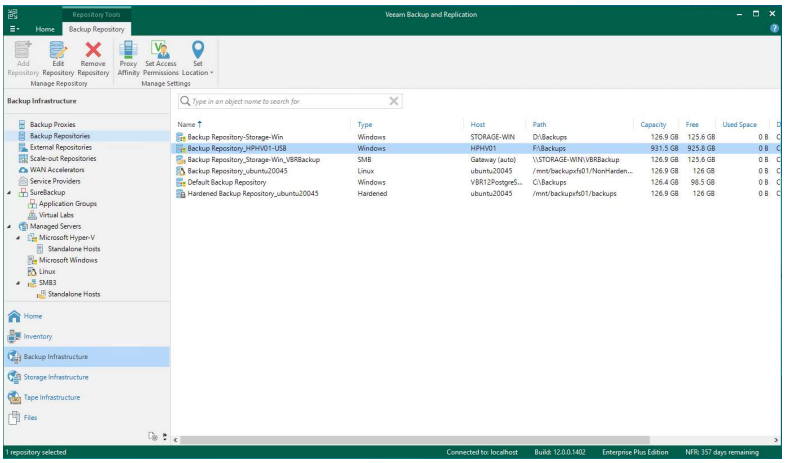
26. Click Next on the Apply page.



27. Click Finish on the Summary page.



28. Verify that the Rotated Drives Backup Repository has been added.



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General and User Roles Settings

All jobs, backup infrastructure components, and other backup server-managed objects have general settings applied to them.

Users or groups who intend to work with Veeam Backup & Replication can be assigned one of the following roles.

Role	Operations
Veeam Restore Operator	Can perform restore operations using existing backups and replicas. Mind that during restore, Veeam Restore Operator can overwrite existing instances: VMs during VM restore, disks during disk restore and files during file-level restore.
Veeam Backup Viewer	Has the "read-only" access to Veeam Backup & Replication. Can view existing jobs and review the job session details.
Veeam Backup Operator	Can start and stop existing jobs, export backups and create VeeamZip backups.
Veeam Backup Administrator	Can perform all administrative activities in Veeam Backup & Replication. Mind that with the Veeam Backup & Replication console, Veeam Backup Administrator has full access to all files on servers and hosts added to the backup infrastructure.
Veeam Tape Operator	Can manage tapes and perform the following operations: tape inventory, tape export, tape eject, tape catalog, inventory library, catalog library, rescan library, import tapes, eject tape from drive.

Even if you exclude built-in administrator accounts (Domain\Administrator and Machine\Administrator) from all Veeam Backup & Replication roles, they have full access to Veeam Backup & Replication. So, for example, users added to the Administrators group will still have access to Veeam Backup & Replication if the Administrators group is removed from the Veeam Backup & Replication roles.

The Veeam Backup Administrator role must be assigned to the user account that runs the Veeam Backup Service. Users in the Administrators group are automatically assigned the Veeam Backup Administrator role during installation. If you change the default settings, ensure that you assign the appropriate user account as the Veeam Backup Administrator role. It is recommended that the Veeam Backup Administrator role be explicitly assigned to the user account rather than the group.

It is strongly advised to enable multi-factor authentication to protect administrator accounts from compromise (MFA).

If you enable MFA, remember that Veeam Backup & Replication must be run from the service account with MFA disabled.

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Configure Multi-Factor Authentication for Users

Multi-factor authentication (MFA) is supported by Veeam Backup & Replication for additional user verification. A one-time password (OTP) generated in the mobile authenticator application is a secondary verification method. With login and password credentials, it creates a more secure environment and keeps user accounts safe.

MFA has the following requirements and limitations:

- Users can only manage MFA with the Veeam Backup Administrator role.
- Veeam Backup & Replication Community Edition does not support MFA.
- Veeam Backup Enterprise Manager does not natively support MFA.
- User groups are not supported. You can enable MFA only for user accounts.
- MFA works only for interactive login.
- Push notifications for mobile devices are not supported. Only the mobile authenticator application provides an OTP code.

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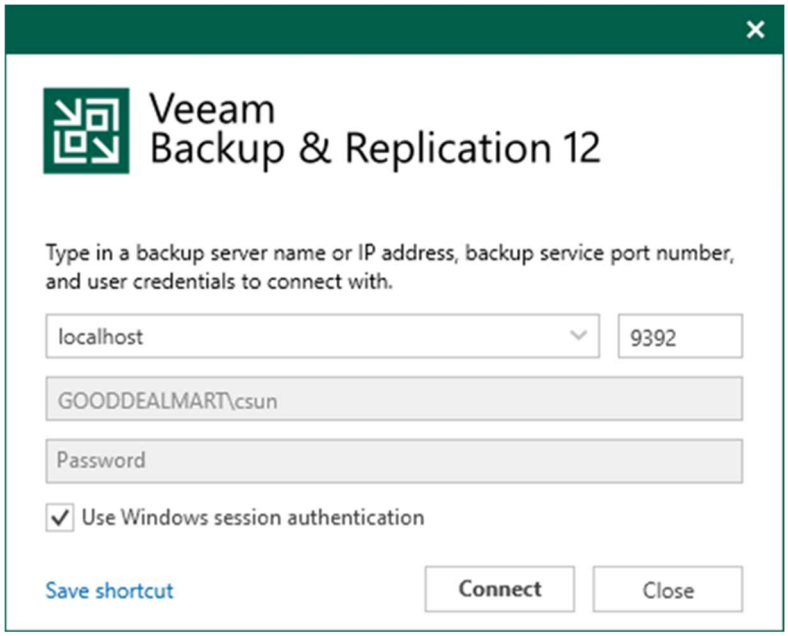

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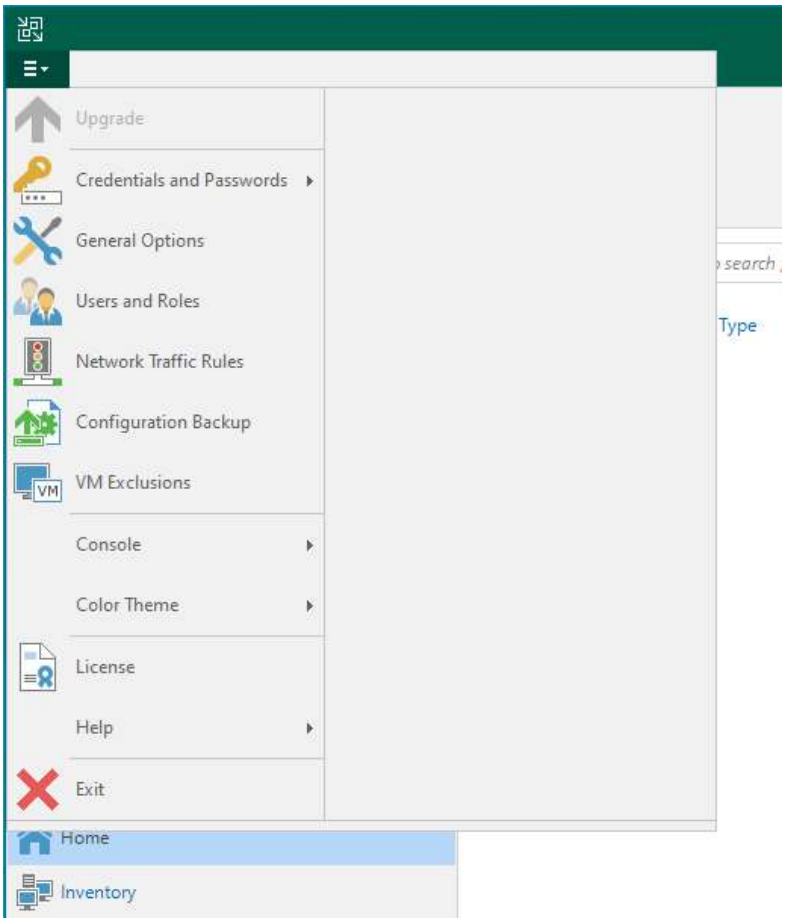
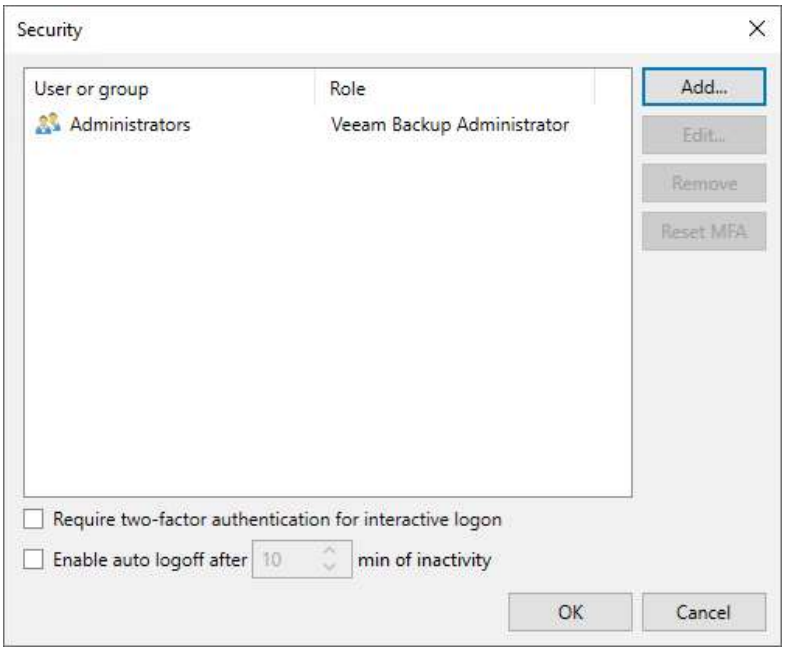
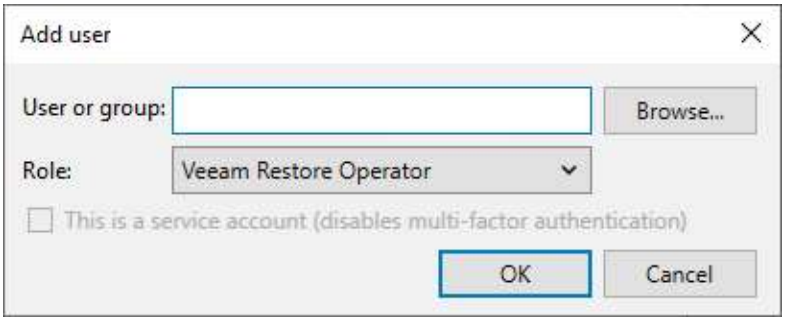
3. Select Users and Roles from the main menu.



4. Click Add on the Security page.



5. On the Add user page, click Browse in the User or group field.



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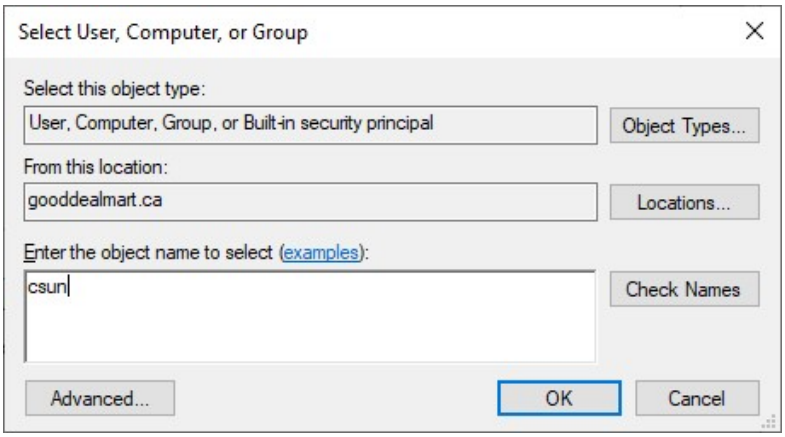
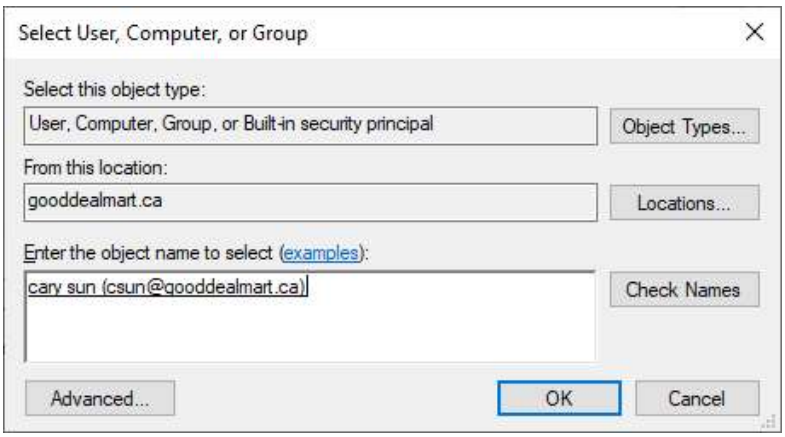
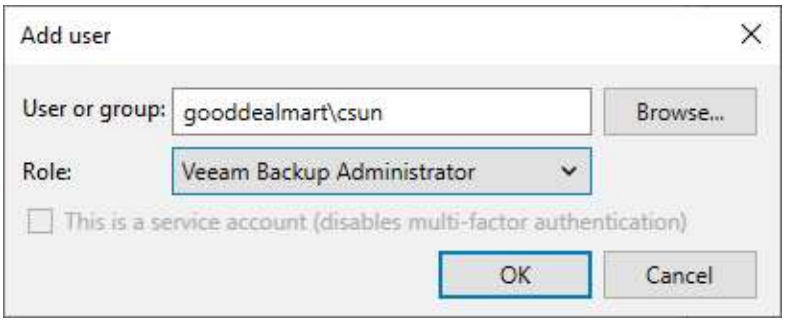
6. Enter a user name on the Select User, Computer, or Group page and click Check Names.



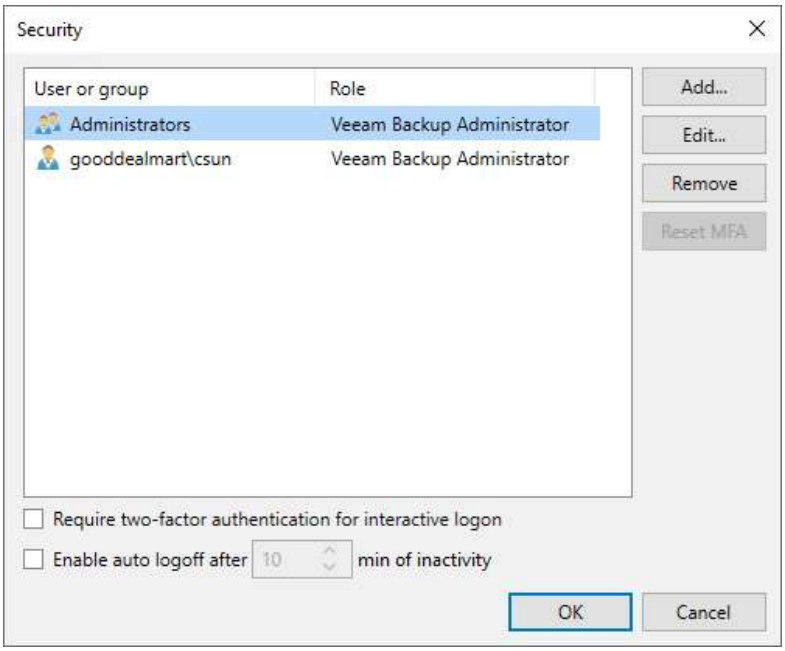
7. Click OK on the Select User, Computer, or Group page.



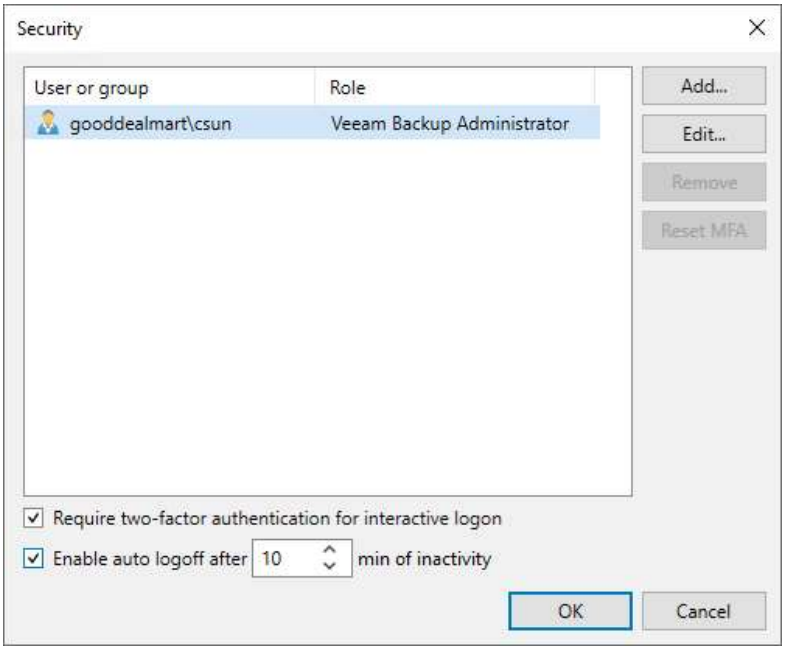
8. Select a role from the Role drop-down list on the Add user page and click OK.



9. On the Security page, select the Administrators group and click Remove.



10. Select the new user.
11. Select the Require two-factor authentication for interactive Log in checkbox.
12. Select Enable auto logoff after a period min of inactivity.
13. Click OK.



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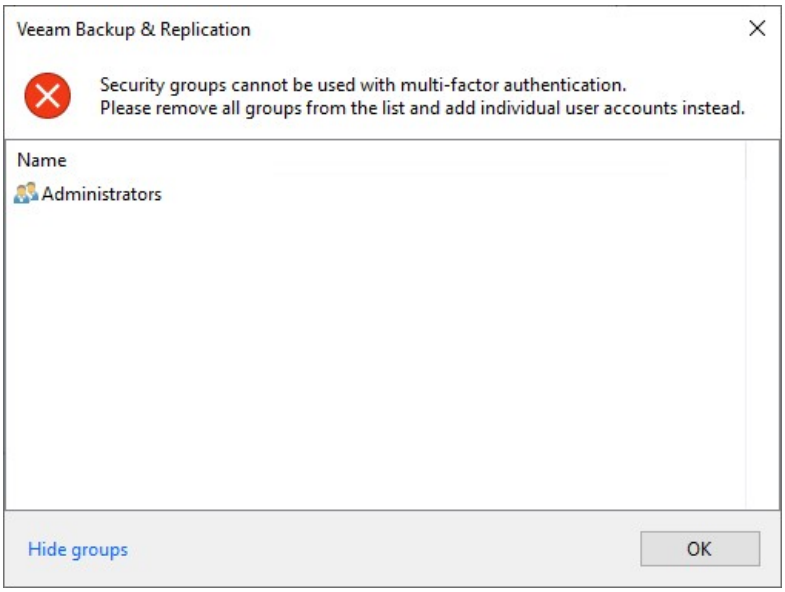
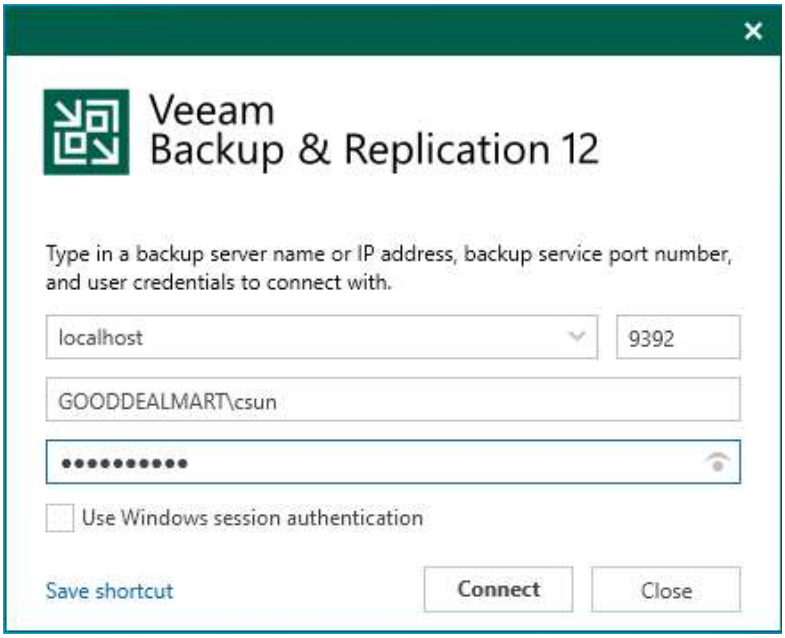
14. Please remove all unsupported security groups from the list if the error message pops up.



15. Close Veeam Backup and Replication console and reopen it.
16. Enter the user name and password on the Veeam Backup & Replication 12 page.

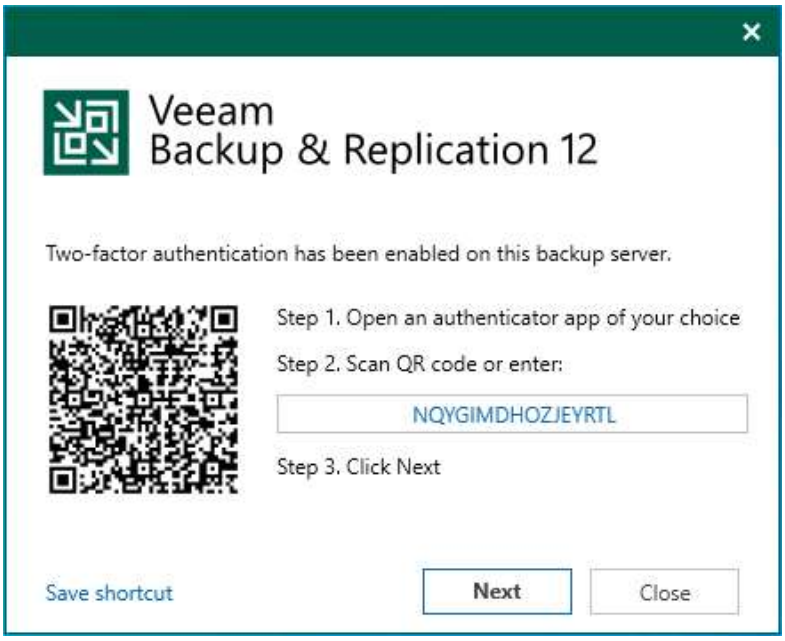


17. Open an Authentication APP from your device and select Add (+).

Note:

I have tried Microsoft and google authentication apps.

18. Scan the QR code or enter the code.



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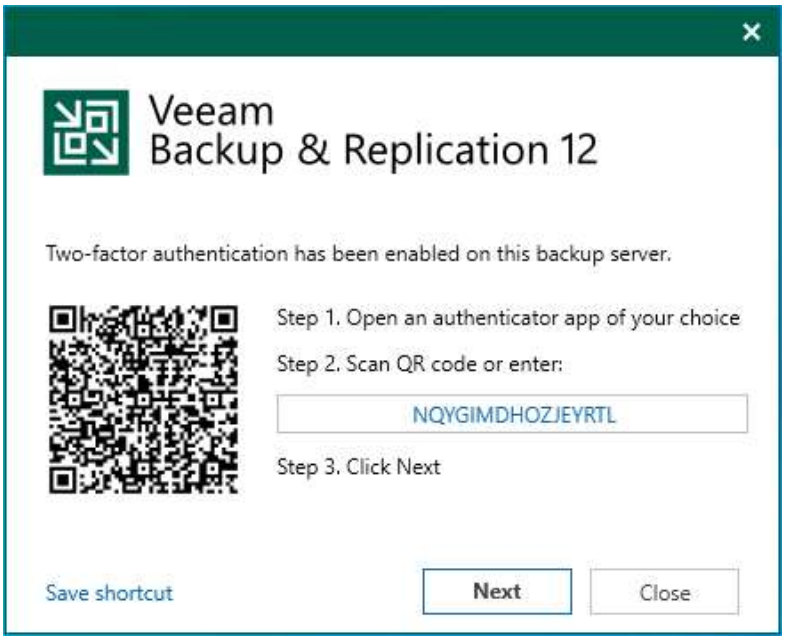
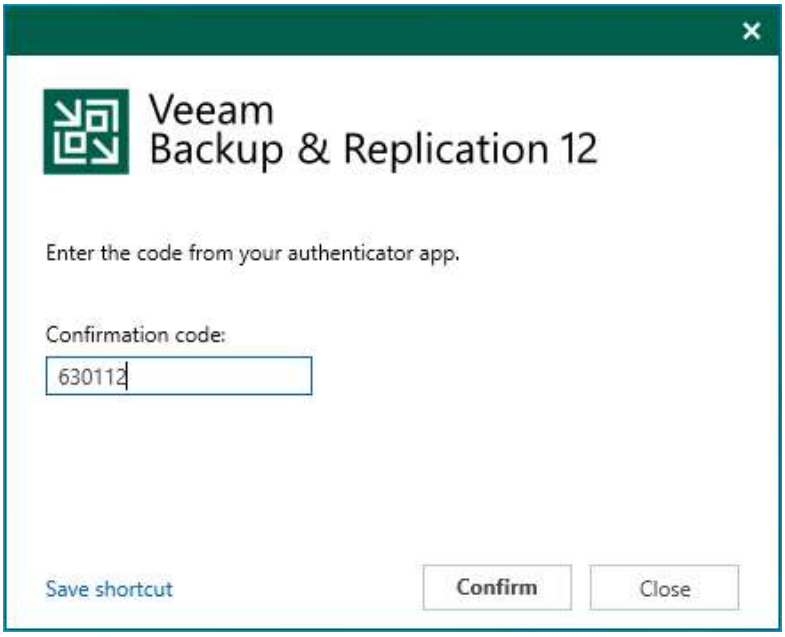
19. Ensure the account add to your device successfully.

20. Click Next on the Two-factor authentication enabled on this backup server page.



21. Enter the one-time password code in the Confirmation code field and click Confirm.



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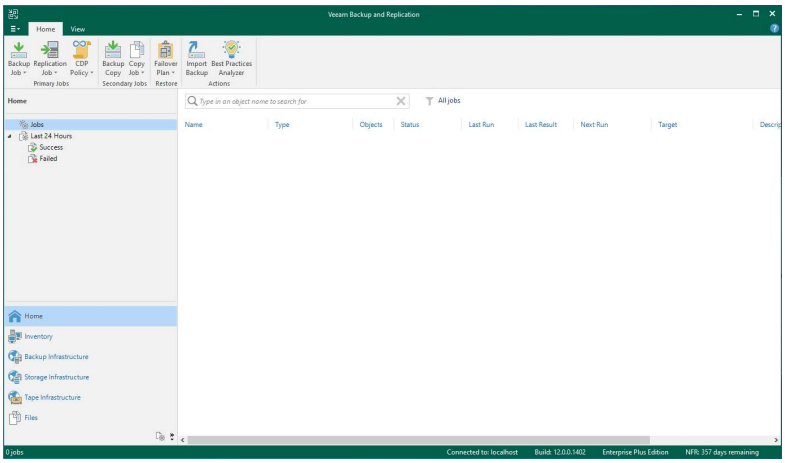
22. Ensure that the open Veeam Backup and Replication console is successful.



Configure Group Managed Service Accounts (gMSA)

A Group Managed Service Account (gMSA) is a domain account that can be configured on the server. The Microsoft Windows operating system manages the password, so the administrator does not need to manage the password. Complex passwords are generated randomly and changed every 30 days, reducing the risk of brute force and dictionary attacks.
gMSA has the following requirements and limitations:

- Microsoft Windows Server 2012 and later support gMSAs.
- Backups of Linux target machines that are members of an Active Directory domain are not supported by gMSAs.
- Because gMSAs require a connection to the domain controller, these accounts can only be accessed via the network.
- If you use a gMSA to back up a machine, both the backup proxy and the target machine must have access to the domain controller to obtain the gMSA password. In addition, the gMSA must be added to a member of the Administrators group on the target machine (local or domain). Add to the member if Domain Administrator is only required for Microsoft Active Directory backups and local Administrator permissions are sufficient for all other supported applications.

Note:
gMSA is supported for application-aware processing for backups or replicas of VMs running Microsoft Active Directory (domain controllers), Microsoft Exchange, Microsoft SQL Server, and Oracle 12c Release 2 and later. However, the gMSA cannot back up or replicate VMs that run Microsoft SharePoint.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)

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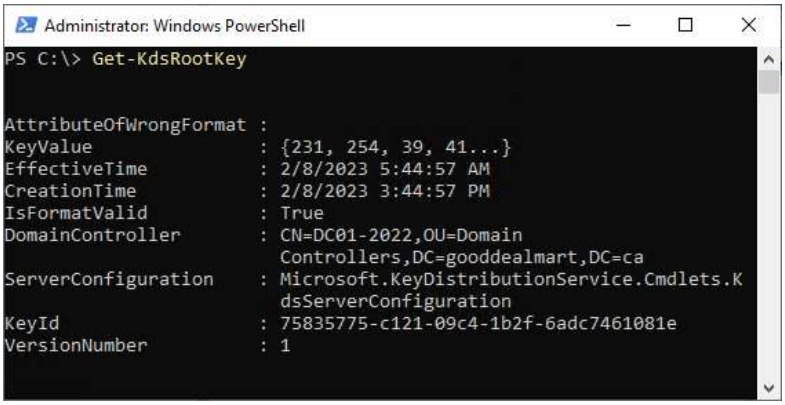
1. Log in to the domain controller server.
2. Open Windows PowerShell and run as administrator.
3. Run the cmdlet below to generate a root key.
   Add-KdsRootKey –EffectiveTime ((get-date).addhours(-10))

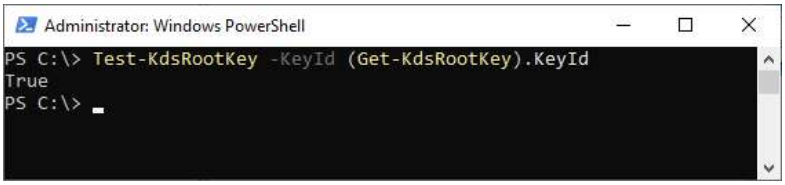
4. Run the cmdlet below to ensure the KDS root key has been created successfully.

   Get-KdsRootKey



5. Run the cmdlet below to check the KDS key.

   Test-KdsRootKey -KeyId (Get-KdsRootKey).KeyId



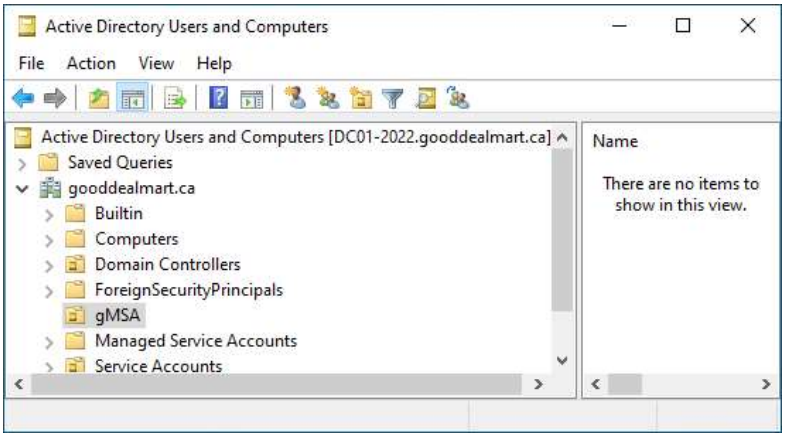
6. Run the below cmdlet to enable gMSA.
   Add-WindowsFeature NET-Framework, RSAT-ADDS 2>&1 | Out-Null; Import-Module ServerManager;

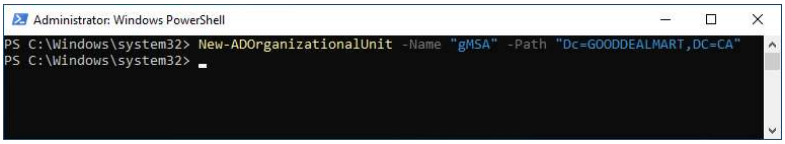
Install-WindowsFeature -IncludeAllSubFeature RSAT | Out-Null; Import-Module ActiveDirectory;

7. Restart the domain controller server.

8. Log in to the domain controller server.
9. Select the Active Directory Users and Computers item from the Tools drop-down list on the Server Manager page.
10. Create a new Active Directory OU.

Note:
New-ADOrganizationalUnit -Name "gMSA" -Path "DC=GOODDEALMART, DC=CA."





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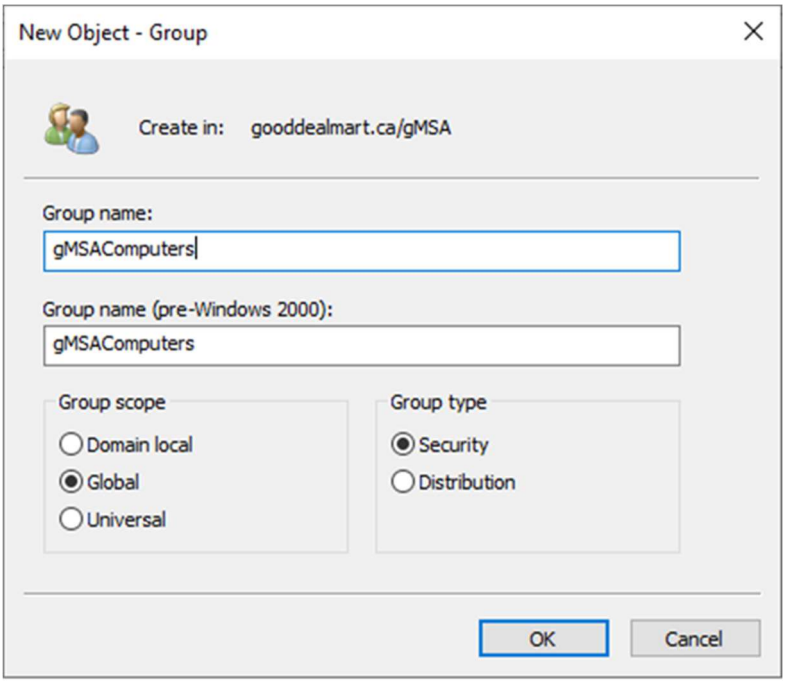
11. Create a new security group for gMSA computers.

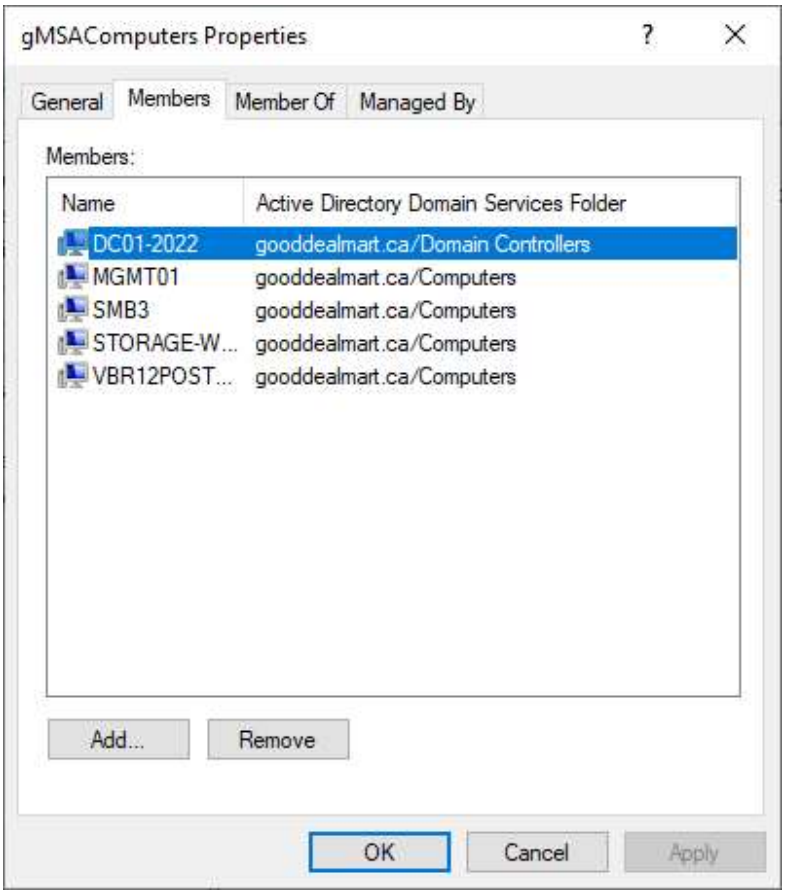
Note:
New-ADGroup -Name gMSAComputers -GroupCategory Security -GroupScope Global -Path "OU=gMSA, DC=GOODDEALMART, DC=CA."

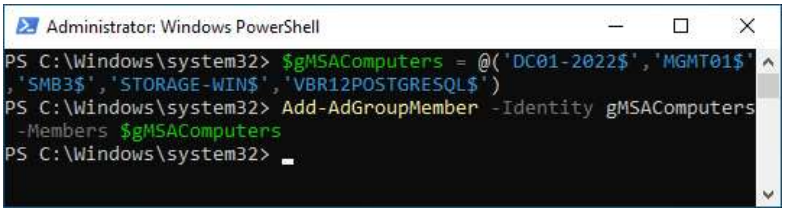


12. Add computer objects to the new security group. These computer objects will be allowed to use gMSA.

Note:
$gMSAComputers = @('DC01-2022$','MGMT01$','SMB3$','STORAGE-WIN$','VBR12POSTGRESQL$')

Add-AdGroupMember -Identity gMSAComputers -Members $gMSAComputers





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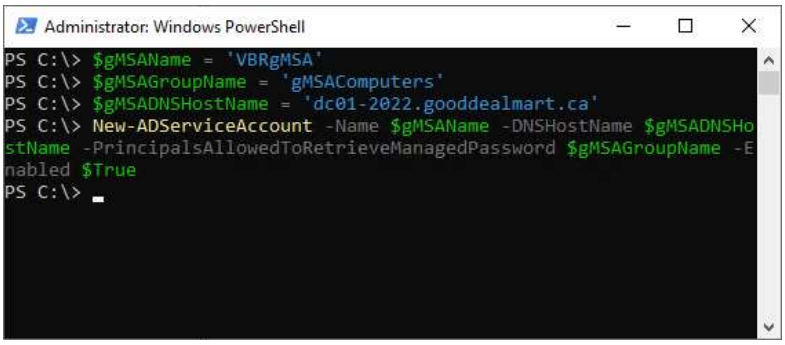
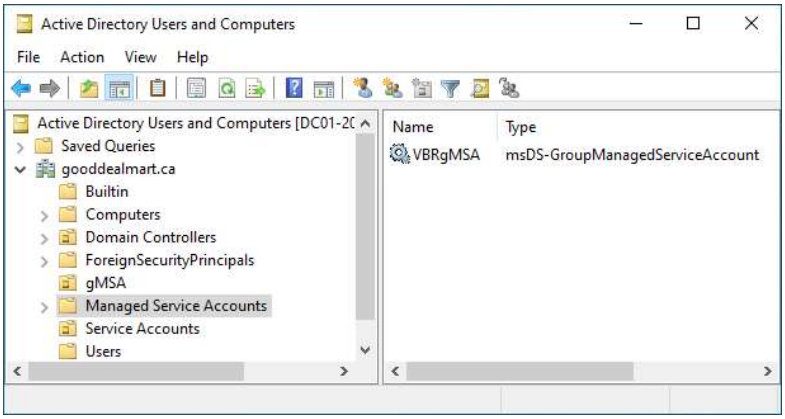
13. Open Windows PowerShell and run as administrator.
14. Run the below cmdlet to create a gMSA account.
    $gMSAName = 'VBRgMSA'
    $gMSAGroupName = 'gMSAComputers'
    $gMSADNSHostName = 'dc01-2022.gooddealmart.ca'

    New-ADServiceAccount -Name $gMSAName -DNSHostName $gMSADNSHostName -PrincipalsAllowedToRetrieveManagedPassword $gMSAGroupName -Enabled $True



15. Select the Active Directory Users and Computers from the Tools drop-down list on the Server Manager page.
16. Ensure the newly created VBRgMSA service account is shown in the Managed Service Accounts OU.

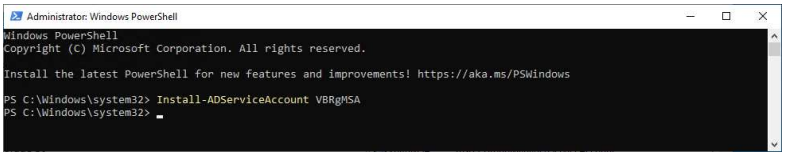
    Note:
    Use separate gMSAs accounts for critical



backup infrastructure components to provide a more secure environment.

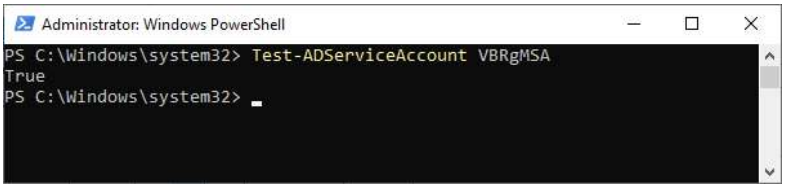
17. Run the below cmdlet to install gMSA on the domain controller as the target machine.

    Install-ADServiceAccount VBRgMSA



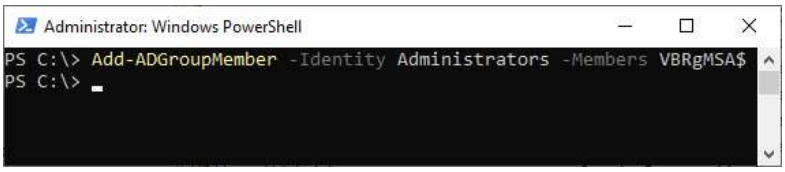
18. Run the below cmdlet to ensure that the gMSA was successfully installed.

    Test-ADServiceAccount VBRgMSA



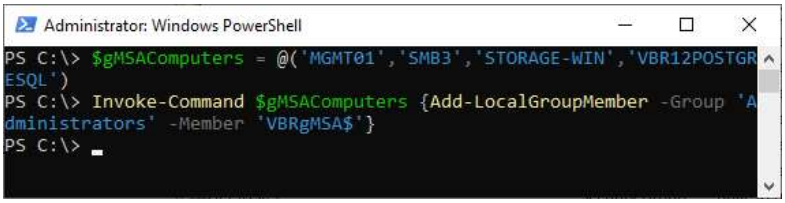
19. Run the below cmdlet to Add the VBRgMSA service account to the domain Admins group.

    Add-ADGroupMember -Identity Administrators -Members VBRgMSA$



20. Run the below cmdlet to Add the VBRgMSA service account to the Local Administrators group.

    $gMSAComputers = @('MGMT01','SMB3','STO



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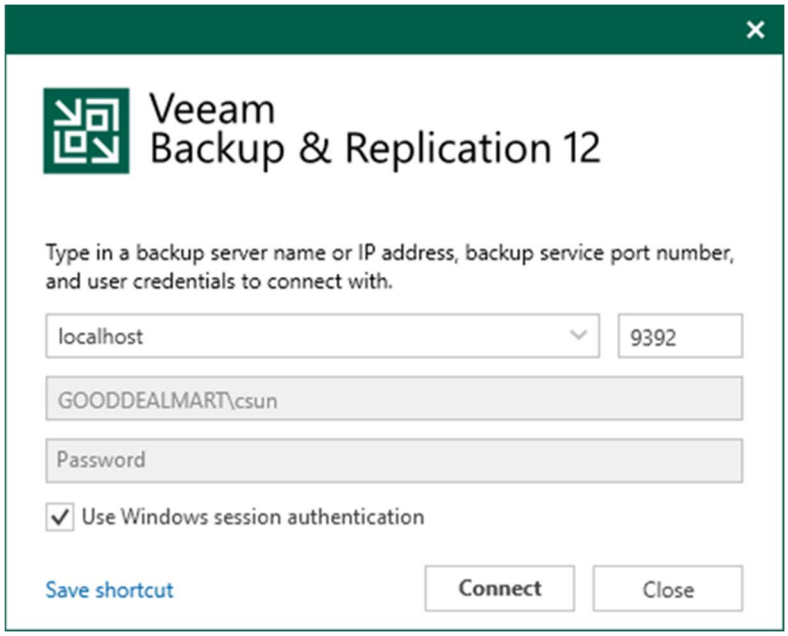
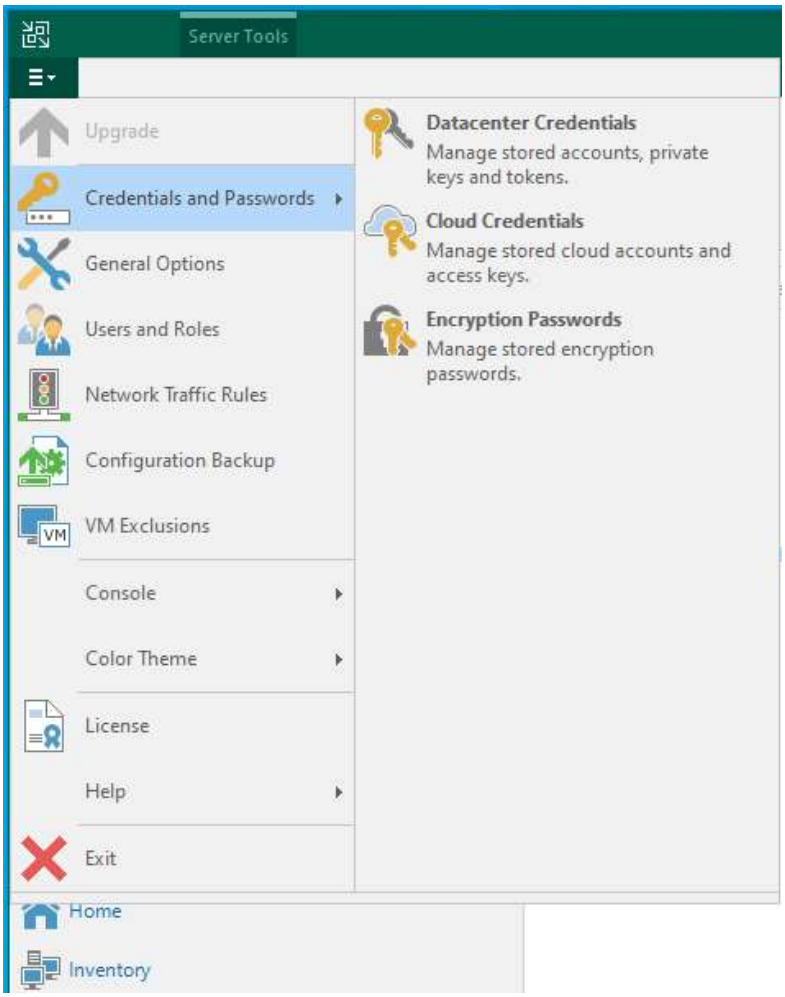
Invoke-Command $gMSAComputers {Add-LocalGroupMember -Group 'Administrators' -Member 'VBRgMSA$'}

21. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server.
22. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.



23. Select Credentials and Passwords from the main menu.
24. Select Datacenter Credentials.



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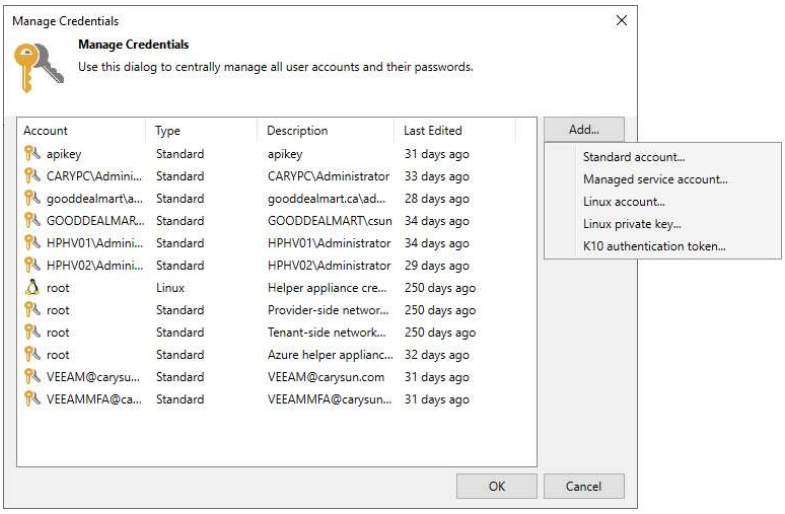
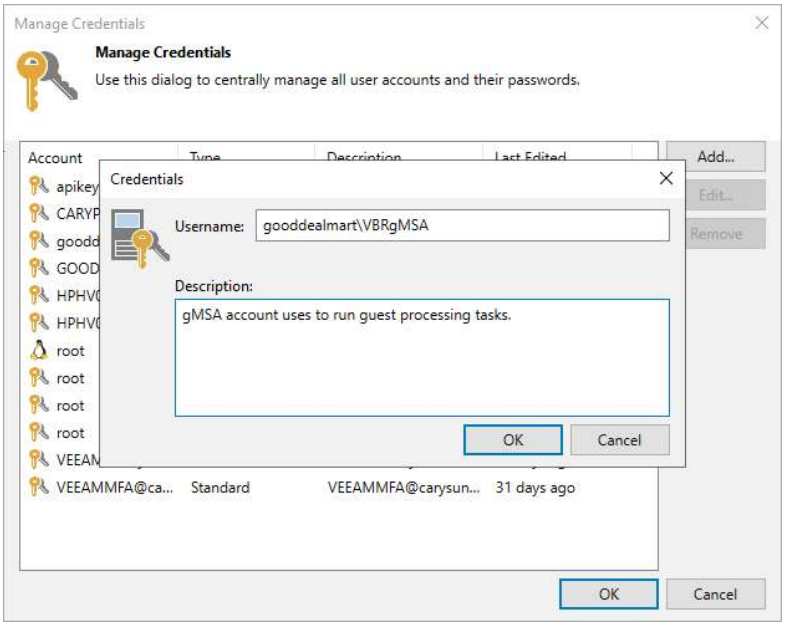
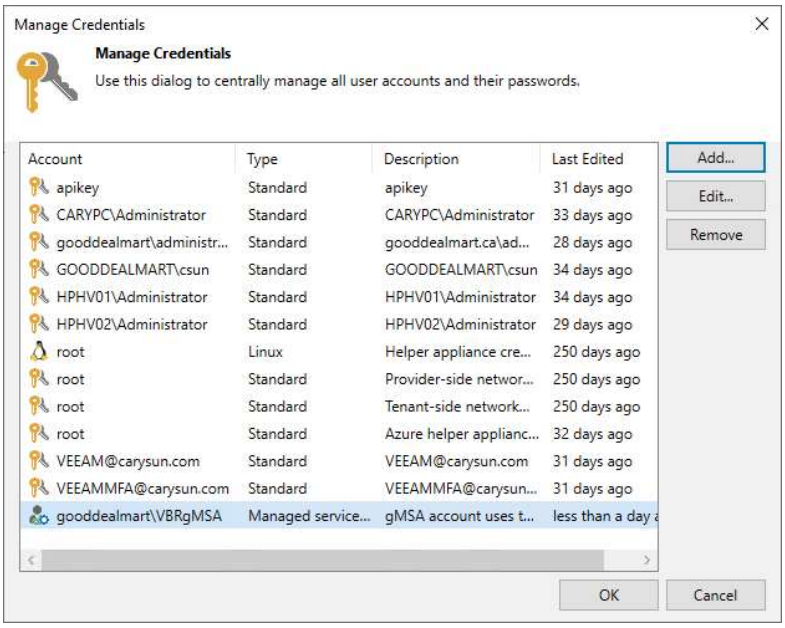
25. Click Add on the Manage Credentials page and select Managed service account.



26. Enter the new gMSA account in the Username field on the Credentials page.
27. Give a brief description in the Description field for future reference and click OK.



28. Ensure the gMSA account is added to the Manage Credentials page and click OK.



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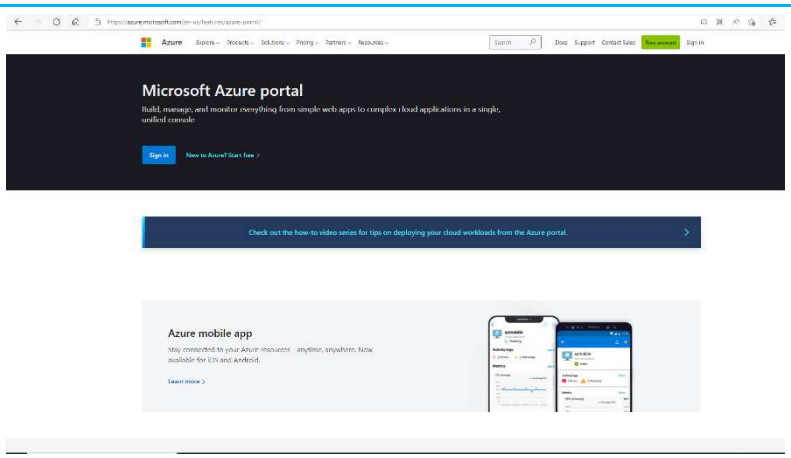
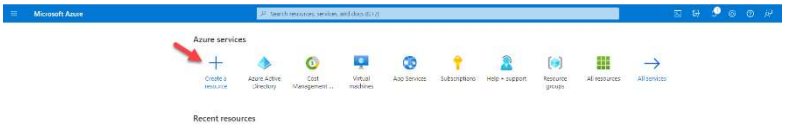
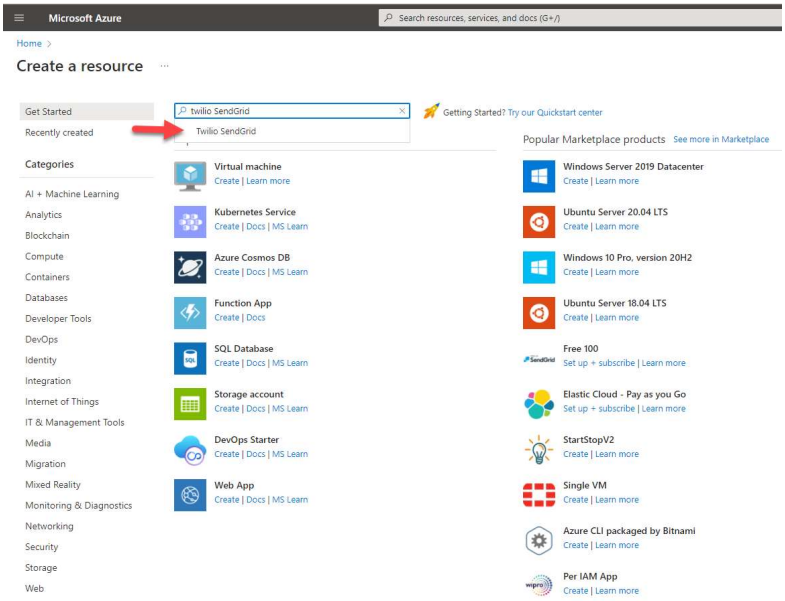
Configure Notification with Free SendGrid Account of Azure

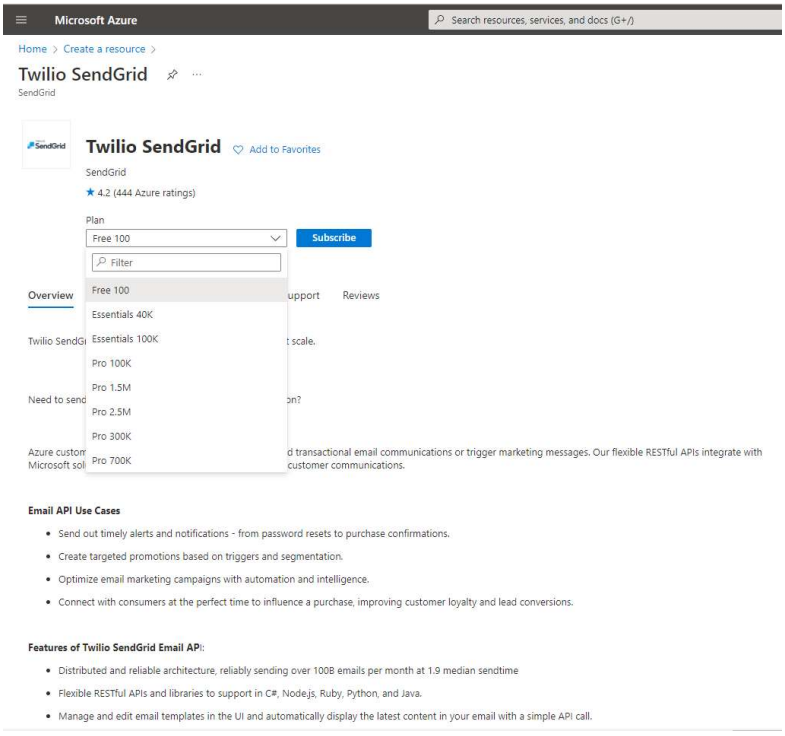
You can configure the SendGrid account as an SMTP relay for notification settings if you want Veeam Backup & Replication to send email notifications about backup job results.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Sign in Azure portal with a global admin account. https://portal.azure.com	
2. On the Azure services page, select +Create resource.	

3. On the Create a resource page, search and select Twilio SendGrid.



4. On the Create Twilio SendGrid page, select subscribe Plan and click Subscribe.



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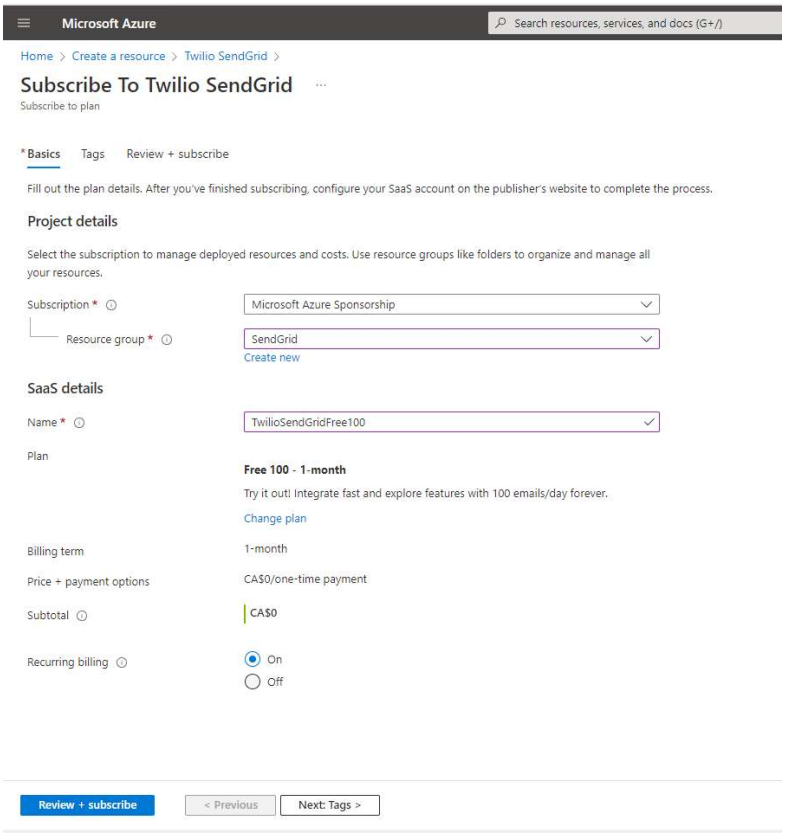
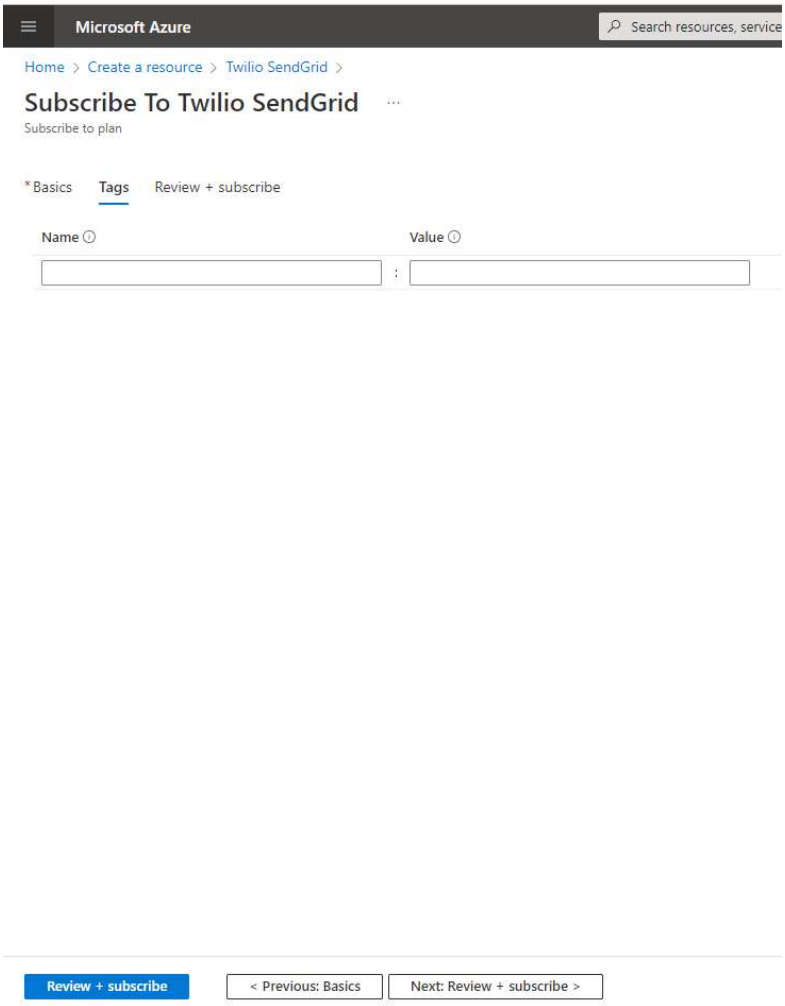
5. On the Create SendGrid Account page, select Basics, file in all the information and then click Next: Tags.



6. On the Tags page, click Next: Review + subscribe.



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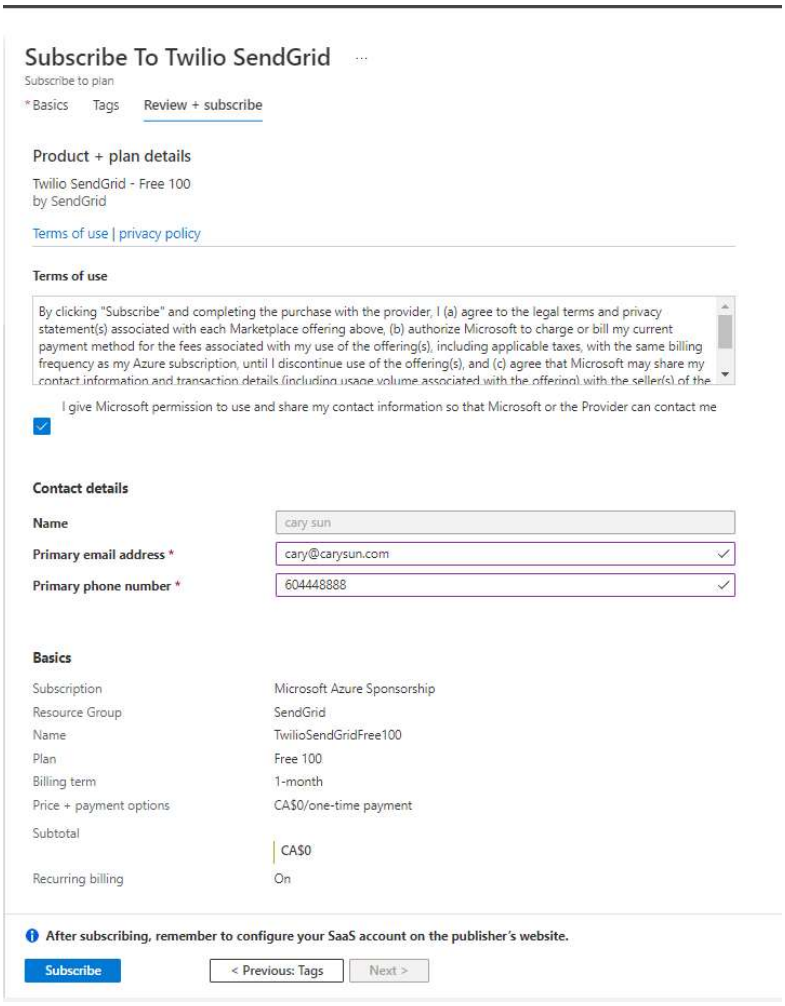
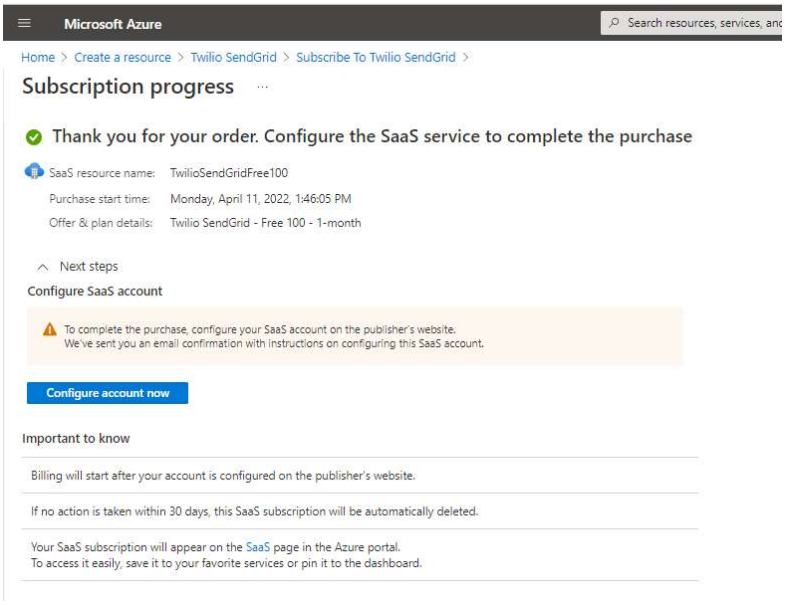
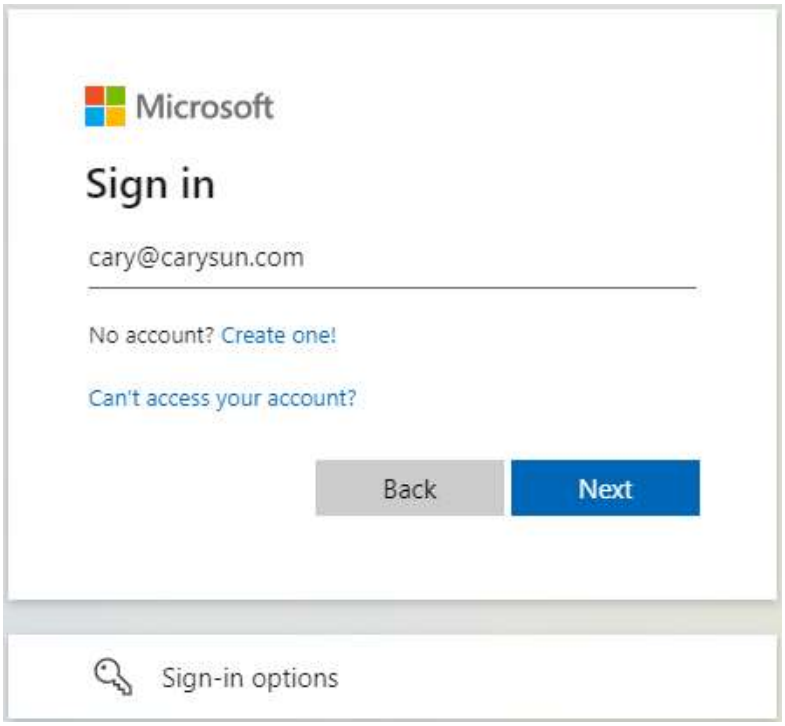
7. On the Review + subscribe page, select I give Microsoft permission to use and share my contact information so that Microsoft or the provider can contact me.



8. On the Configure SaaS account page, click Configure account now.



9. On the Microsoft Sign-in page, enter your account name and click Next.



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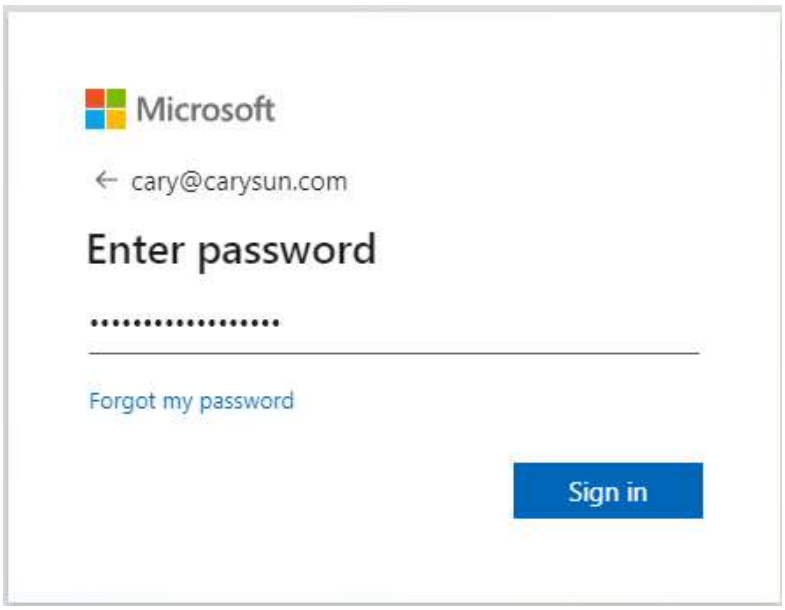
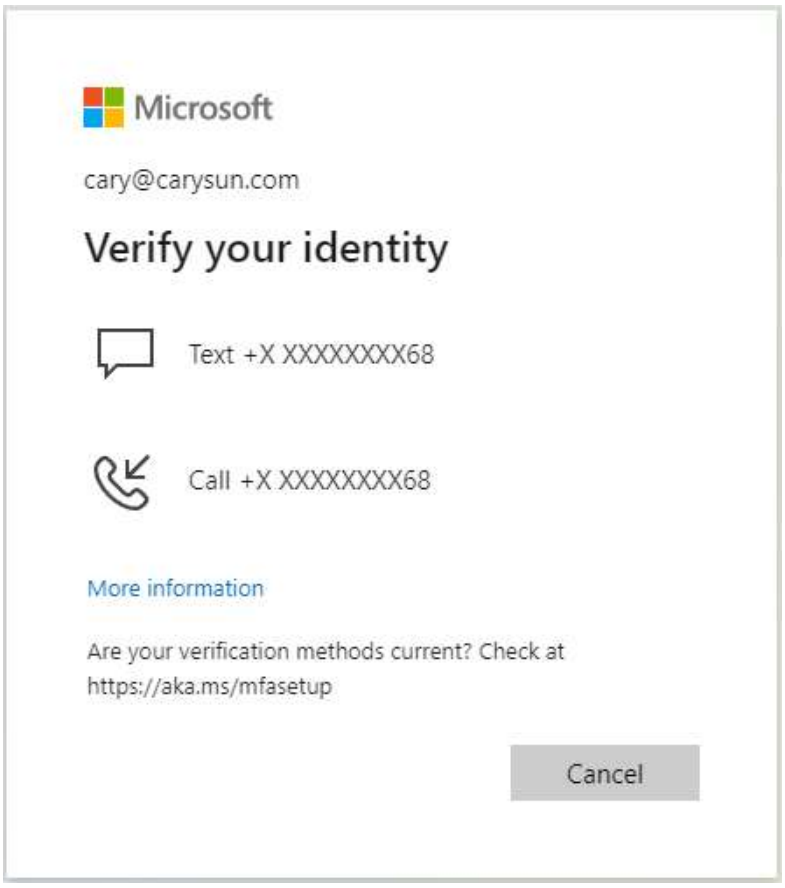
10. Enter a password, and click Sign in.



11. On the Verify your identity page, select the identity method.



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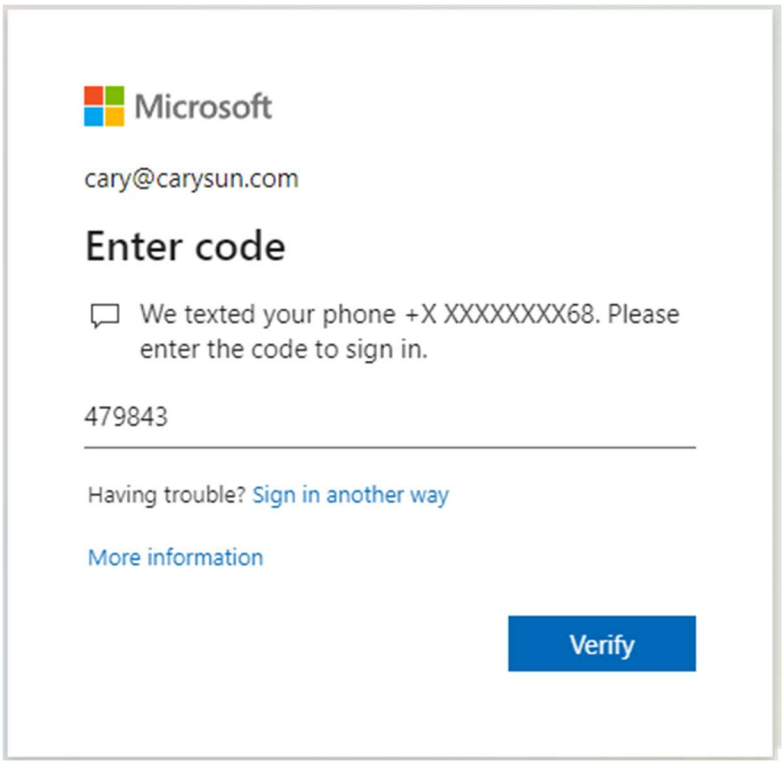
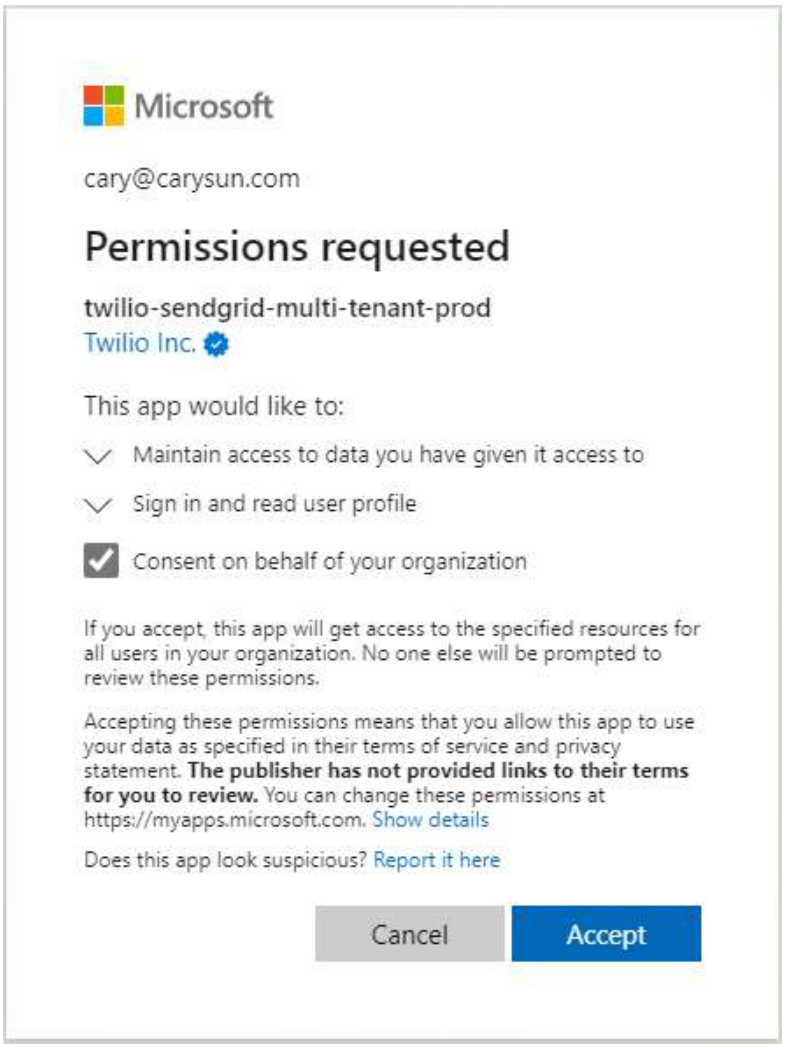
12. Enter the code, and click Verify.



13. On the Permissions requested page, select Consent on behalf of your organization and click Accept.



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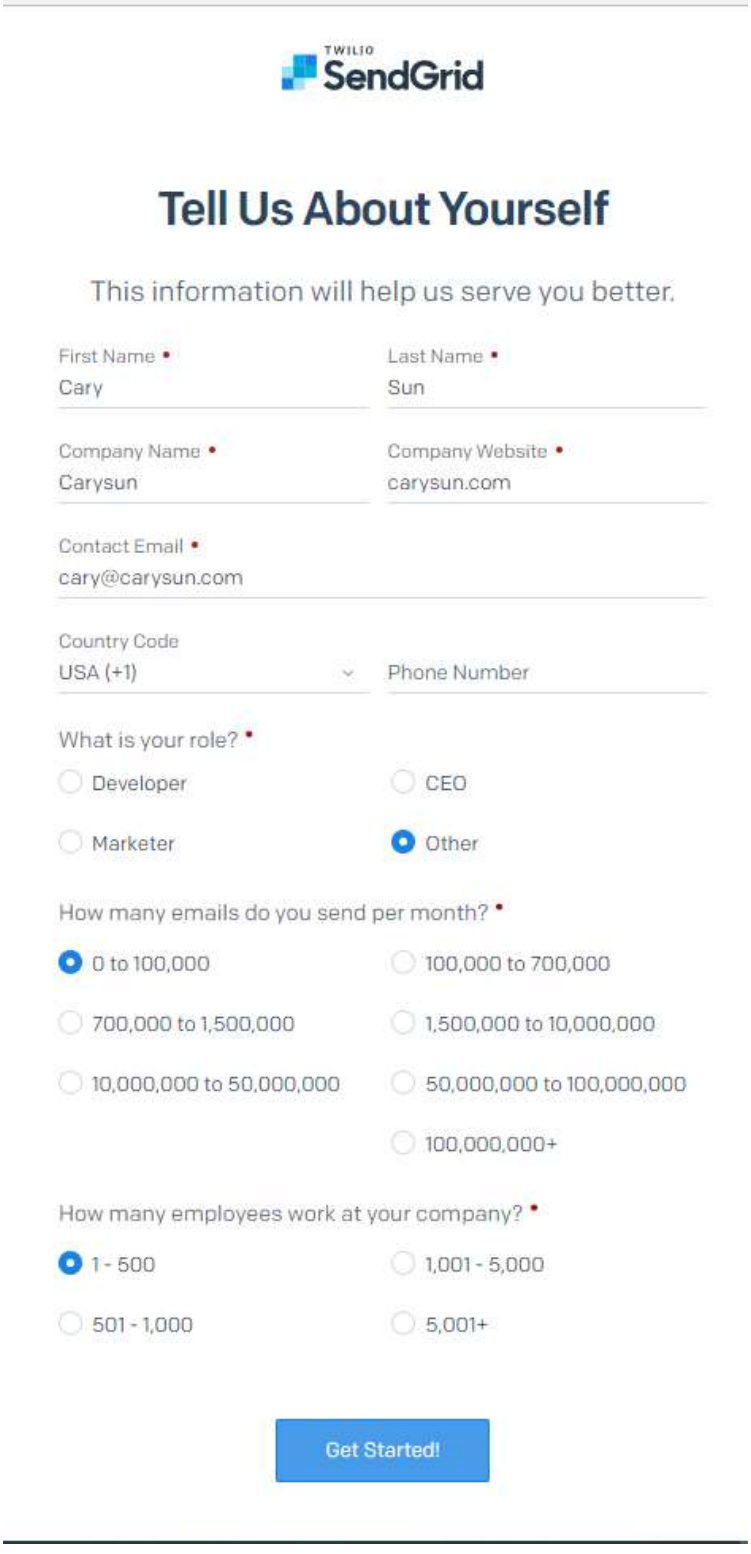
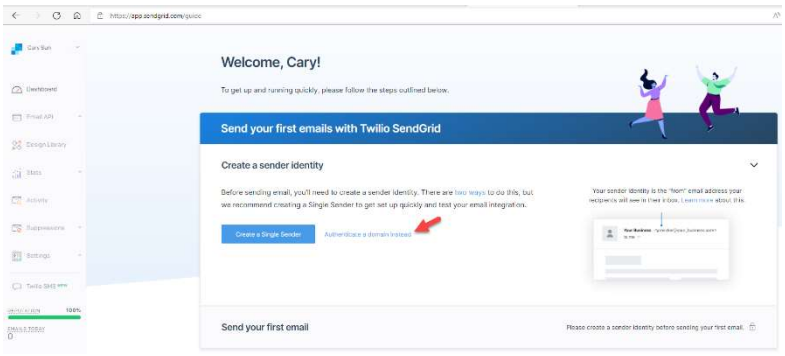
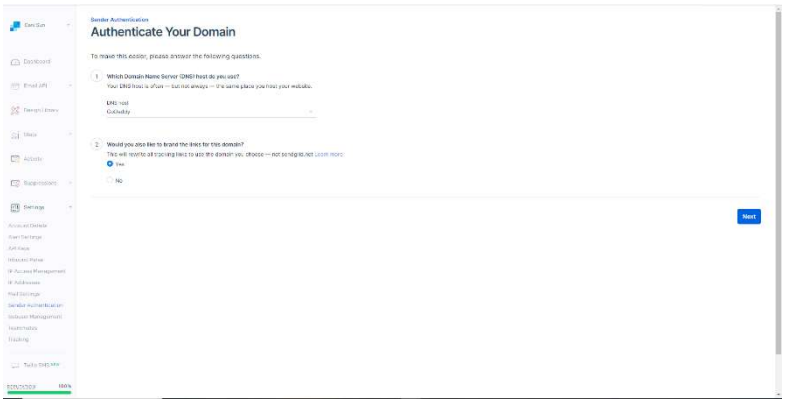
14. Fill in the information, and click Get Started!



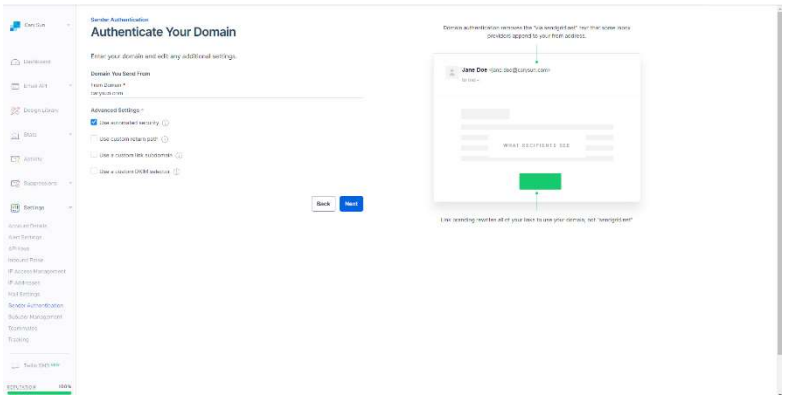
15. On the SendGrid Welcome page, select Authentication a domain instead.



16. On the Authenticate Your Domain page, select your DNS host, select Yes to rewrite all tracking links to use your chosen domain – not sendgrid.net, and click Next.



17. Enter your domain name on the Domain You Send From a page, and click Next.



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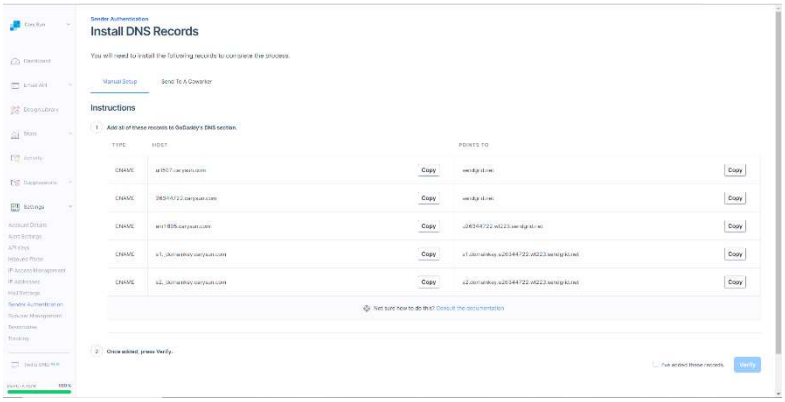
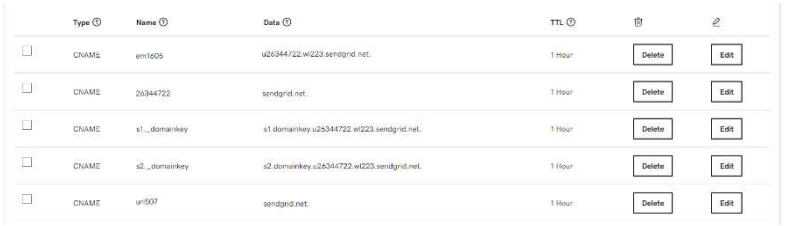
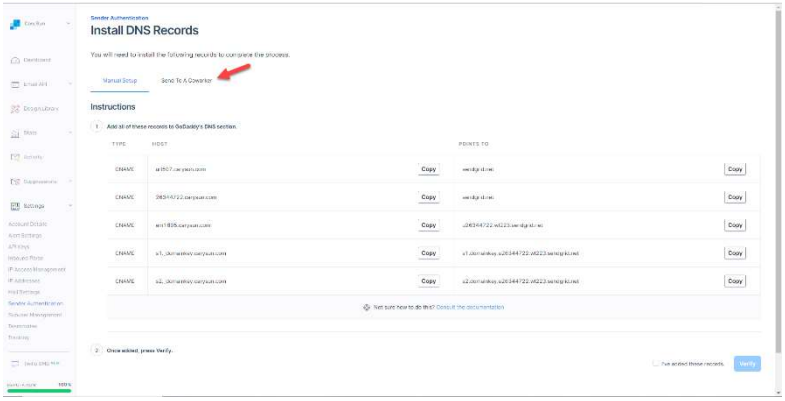
18. On the Install DNS Records page, copy and add all these records to your External DNS records.



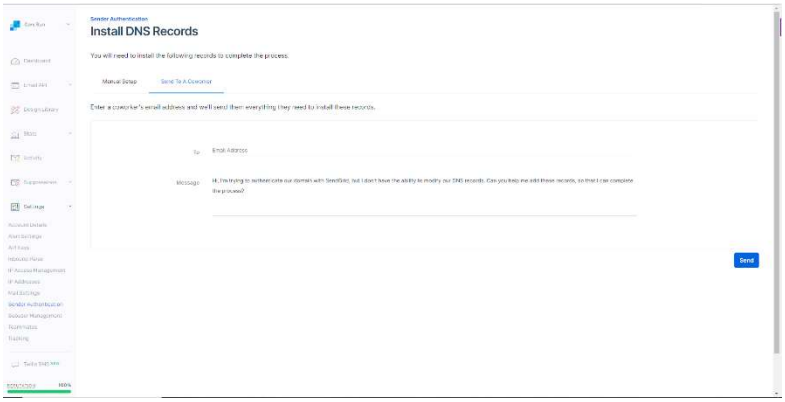
19. In my case, add them to GoDaddy.



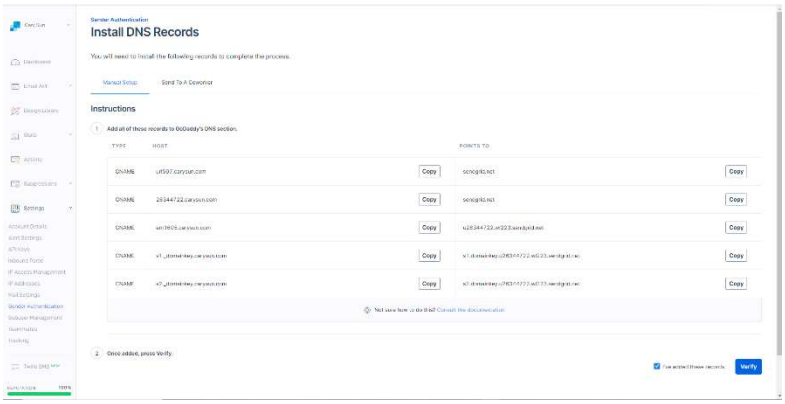
20. If you cannot add DNS records, select Send To A Coworker.



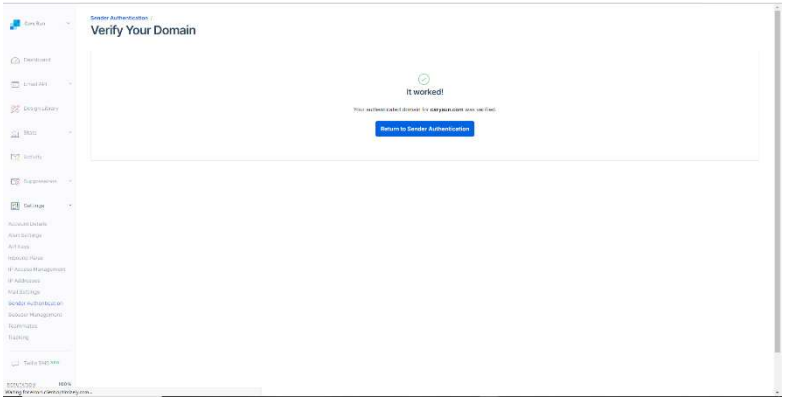
21. Type your coworker's email address, and click Send. Then, ask your coworker to add these DNS records.



22. On the Install DNS Records page, select I've added these records, click Verify.



23. On the Verify Your Domain page, make sure your authenticated domain for the domain name was verified without issues and click Return to Sender Authentication.



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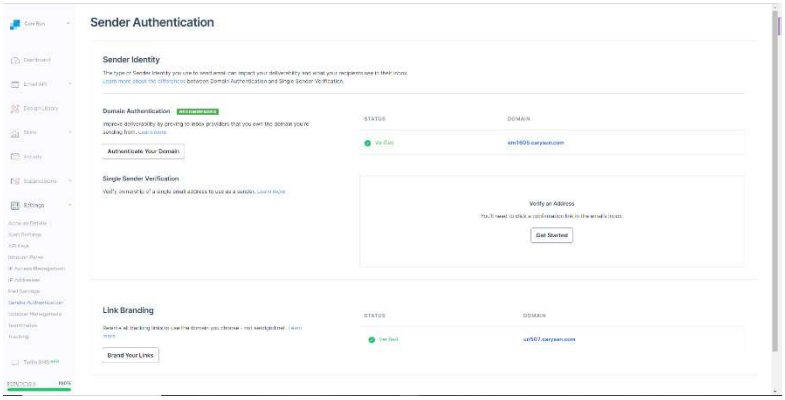
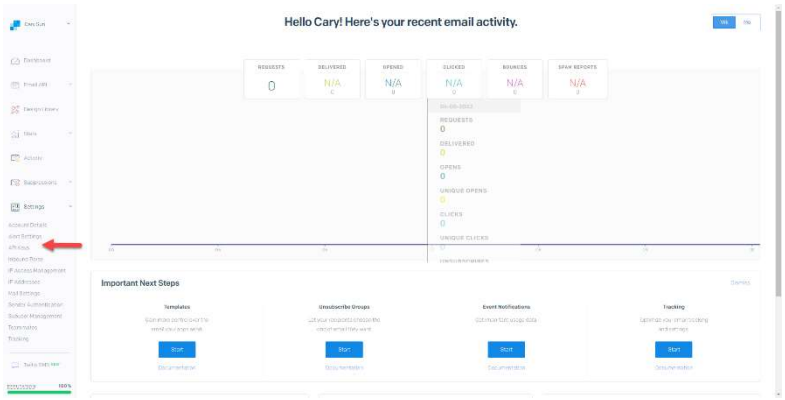
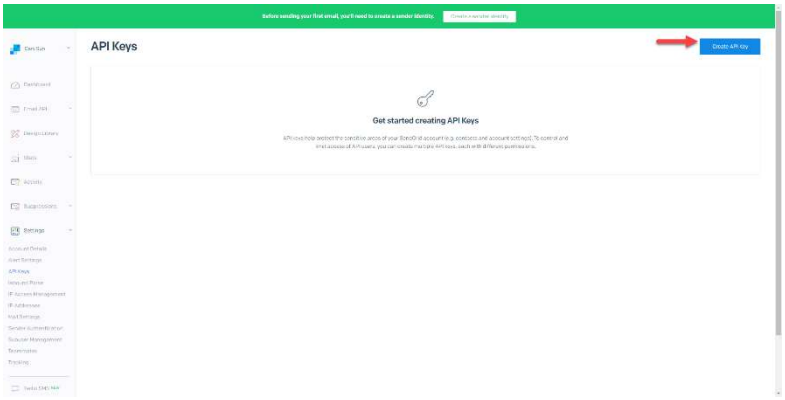
24. On the Sender Authentication page, ensure Domain Authentication and link Branding status is Verified.



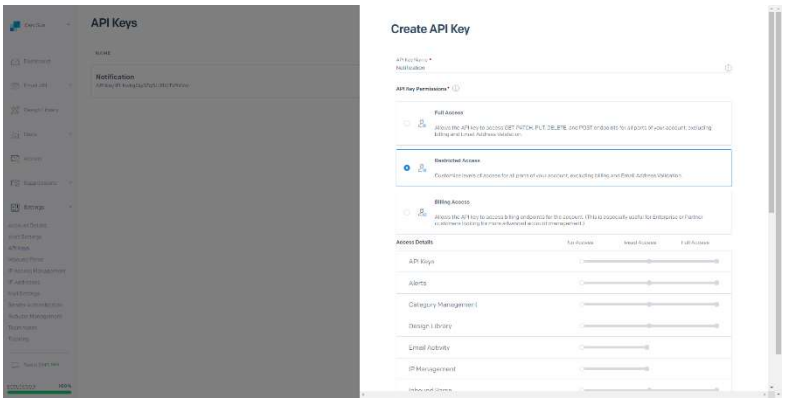
25. Under the Settings page, select API Keys.



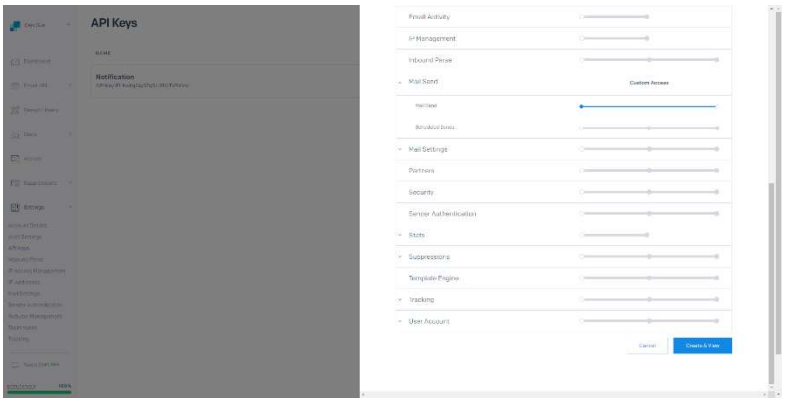
26. On the API Keys page, select Create API Key.



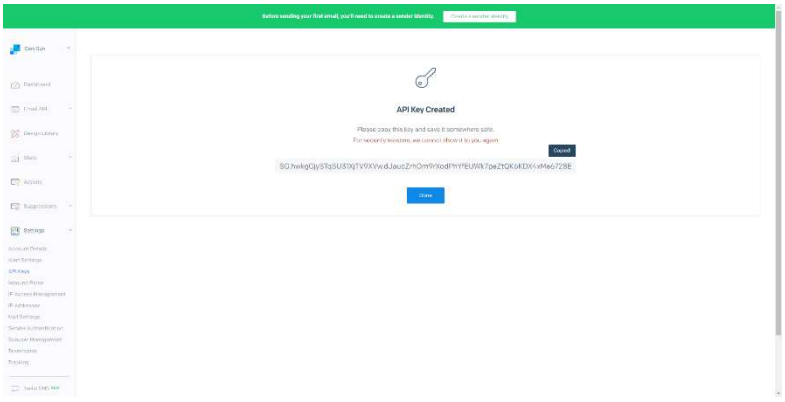
27. On the Create API Key page, type the API Key Name and select Restricted Access as API Key Permissions.



28. Enable Mail Activity as Access Details, click Create & View.



29. Copy the key on the API Key Created page, save it, and click Done.



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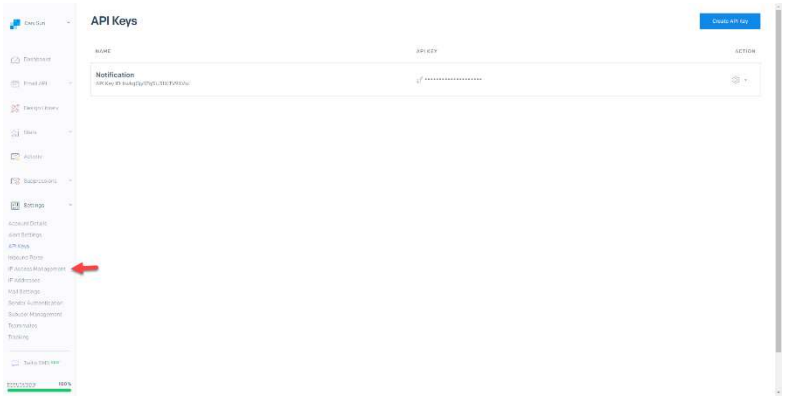
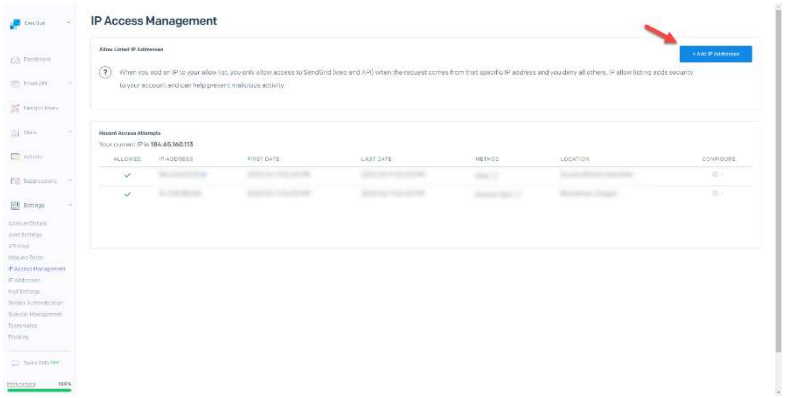
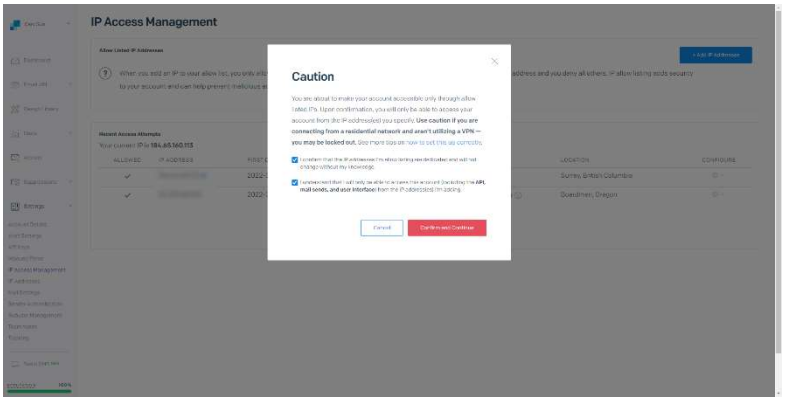
30. Under settings, select IP Access Management.



31. On the IP Access Management page, click +Add UP Address.

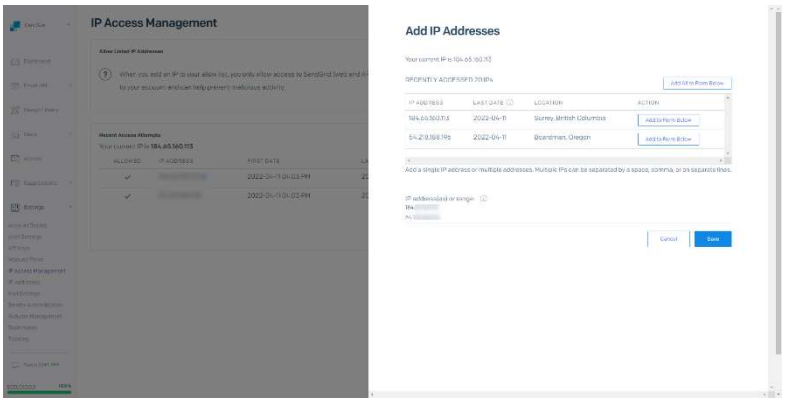


32. On the Caution page, select I confirm that the IP addresses I'm allow listing are dedicated and will not change without my knowledge.
33. Select I understand that I will only be able to access this account (including the API, mail sends, and user interface) from the IP address(es) I'm adding,

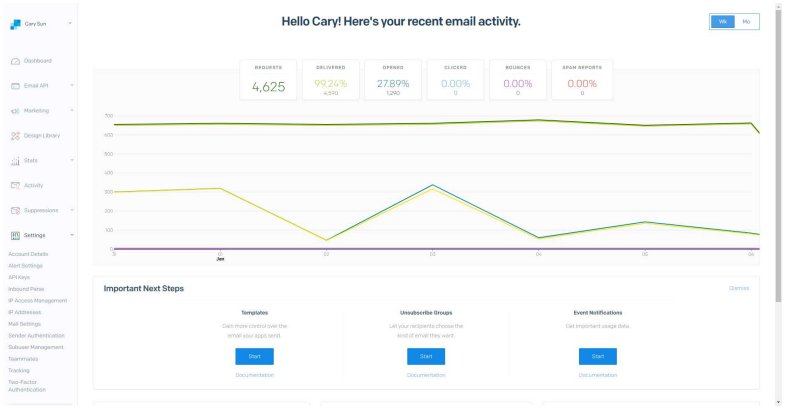


34. Click Confirm and Continue.

35. On the Add IP Addresses page, add IP addresses or ranges you would like to allow access to SendGrid. Make sure to include the public IP address of the Veeam management server and click Save.



36. On the Home page, expand Settings and click Sender Authentication.



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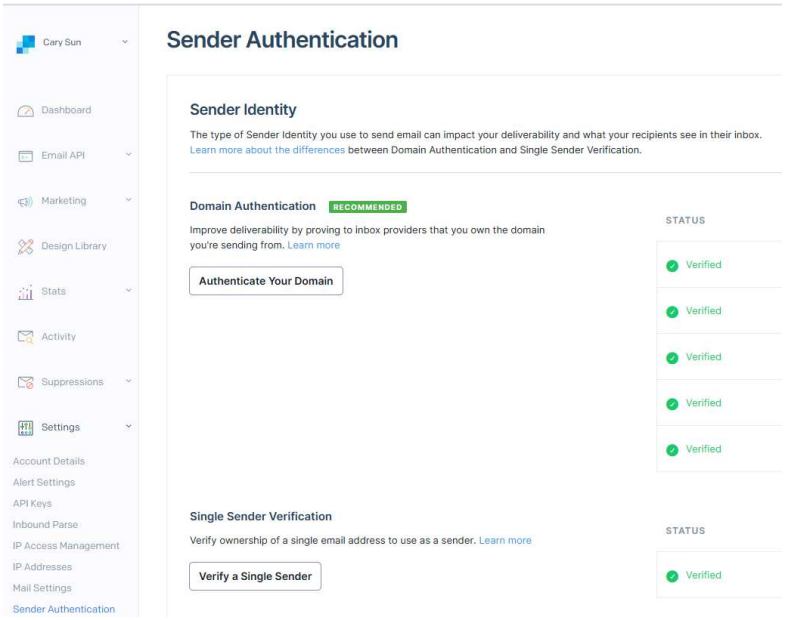
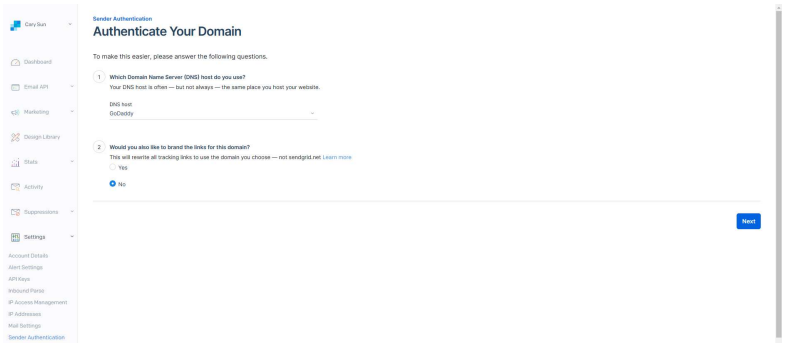
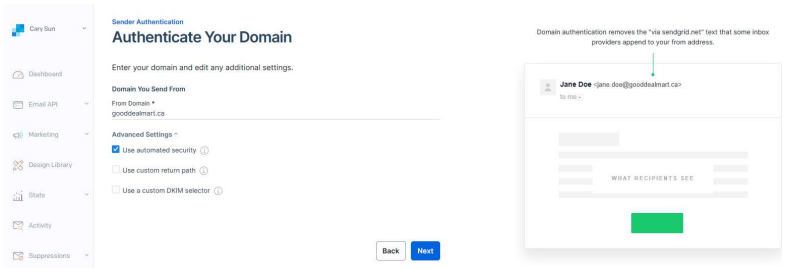
37. On the Sender Authentication page, click Authenticate Your Domain.



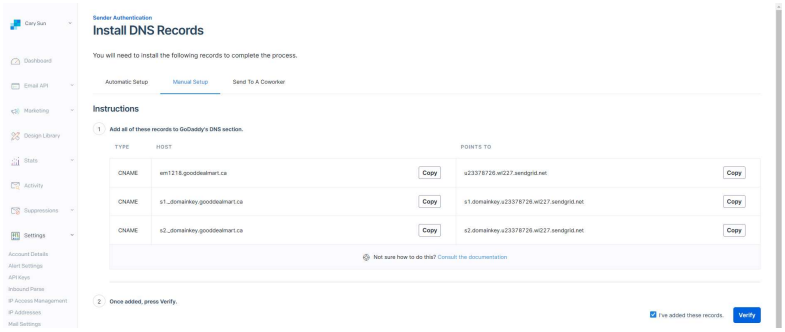
38. Specify your DNS host from the drop-down list on the Authentication Your Domain page.
39. Select No Would you also like to brand the links for this domain?
40. Click Next.



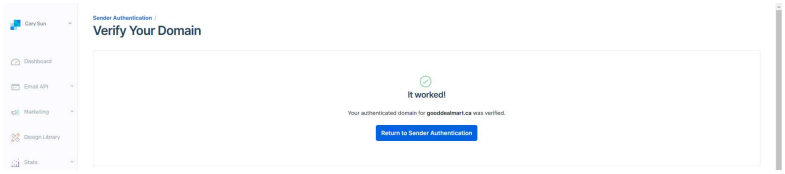
41. On the Domain, You send From page, specify your FQDN name, and click Next.



42. Add those CNAME records to your domain on the Install DNS Records page, select I've added these records, and click Verify.



43. On the Verify Your Domain page, ensure verification is successful and click Return to Send Authentication.



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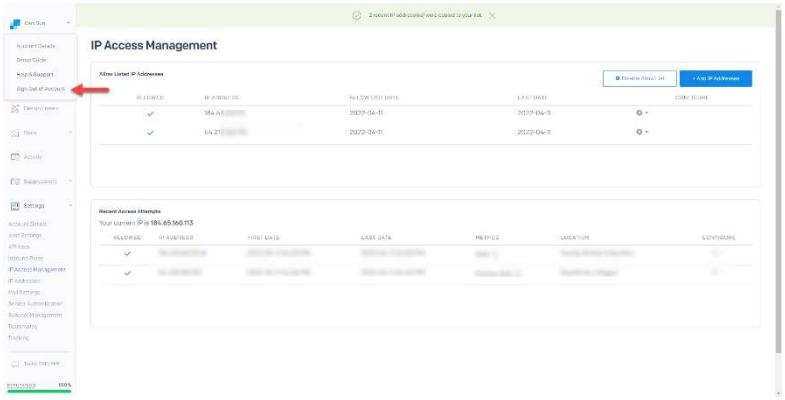

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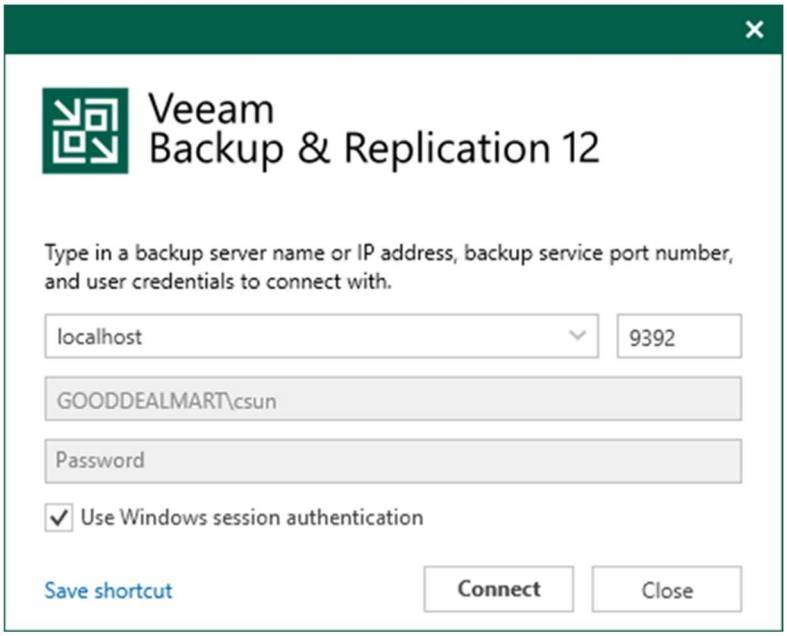
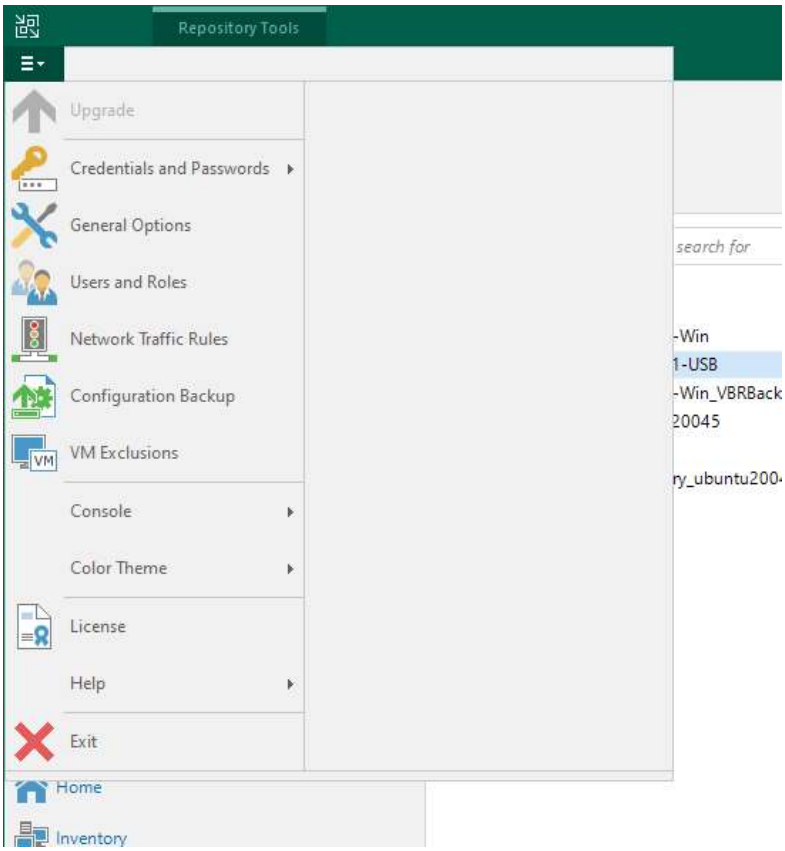


47. Select General Options from the main menu.



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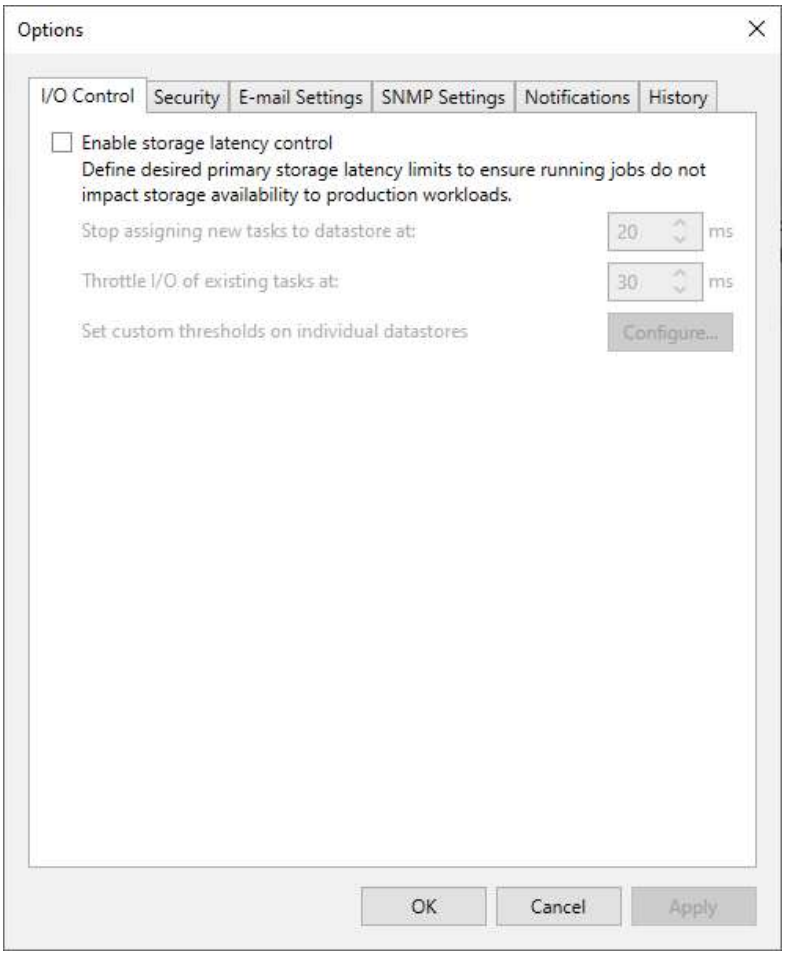
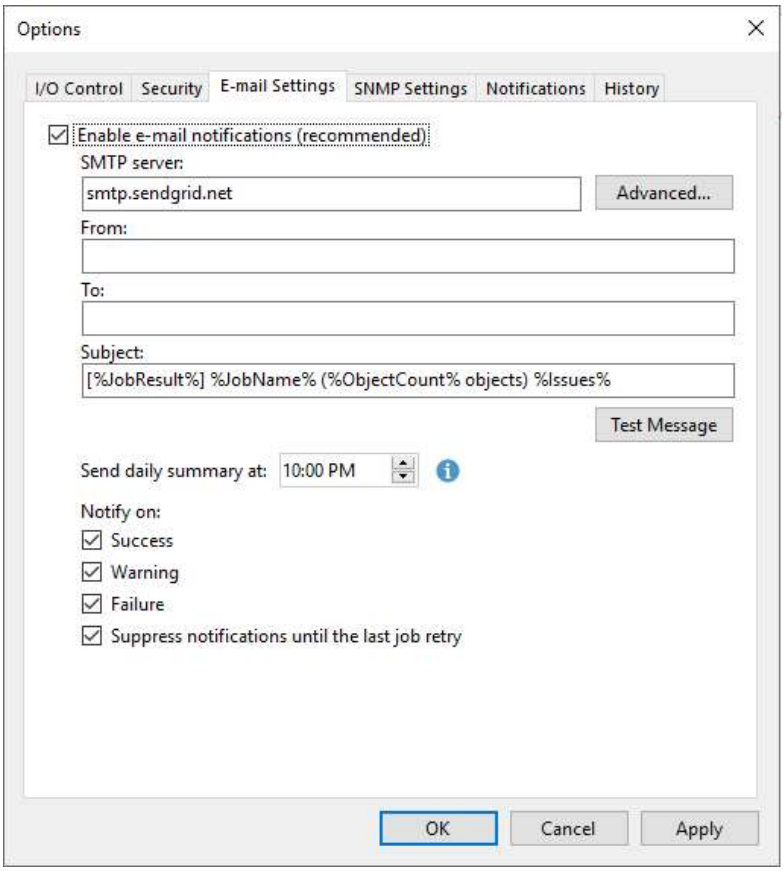
48. On the Options page, select Email Settings.



49. Select Enable e-mail notification (recommend) on the Email Settings page.
50. In the SMTP server field, enter smtp.sendgrid.net, and click Advanced.



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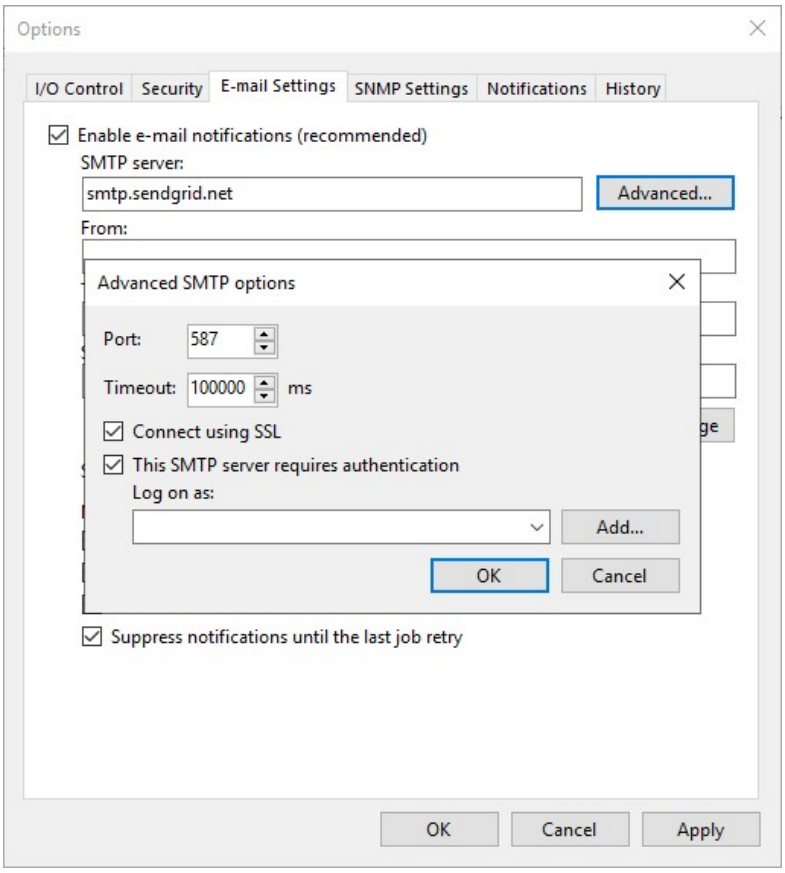
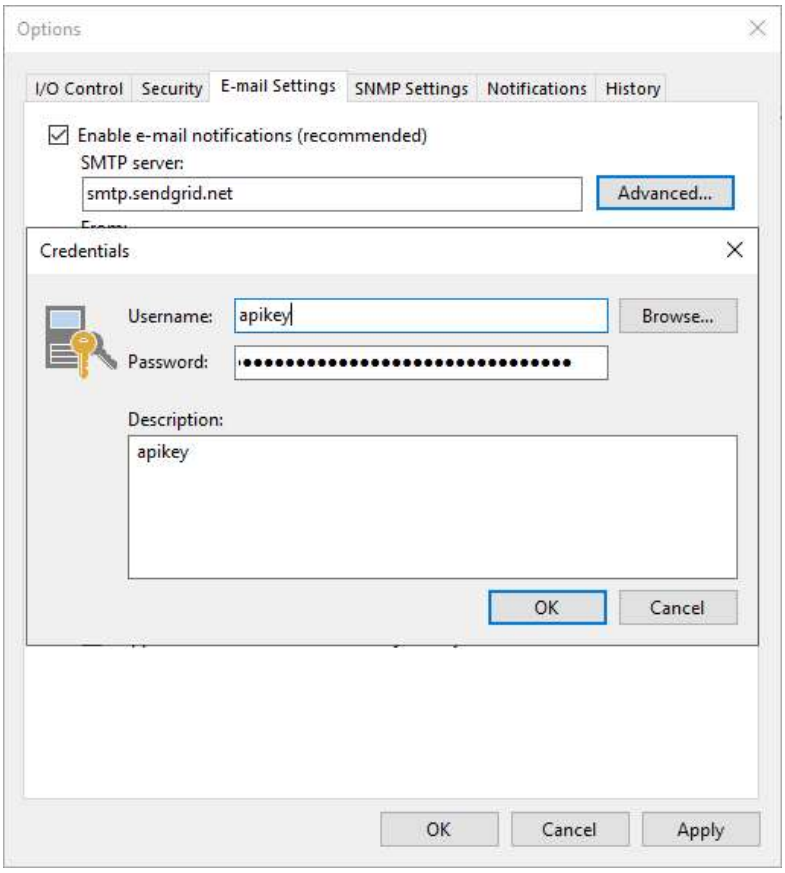
51. On the Advanced SMTP options page, type 587 in the Port field.
52. Use 100000 milliseconds as the Timeout.
53. Select Connect using SSL.
54. Select This SMTP server requires authentication.
55. Click Add to add a credential as Log on as account.



56. Type apikey as Username.
57. Paste the apikey number as a password.
58. Click OK.



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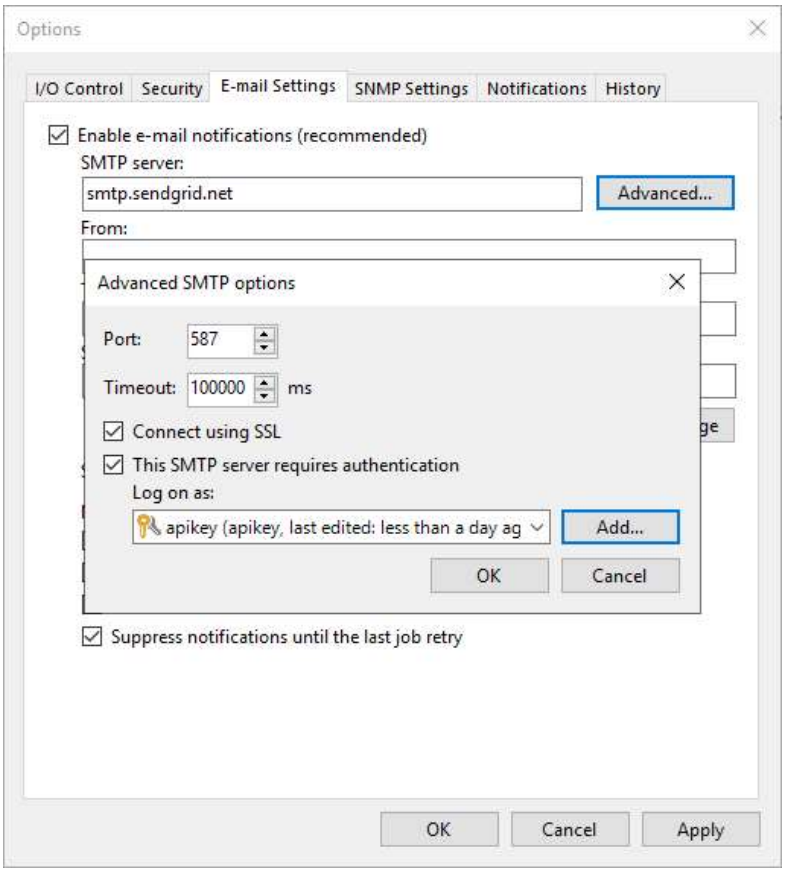
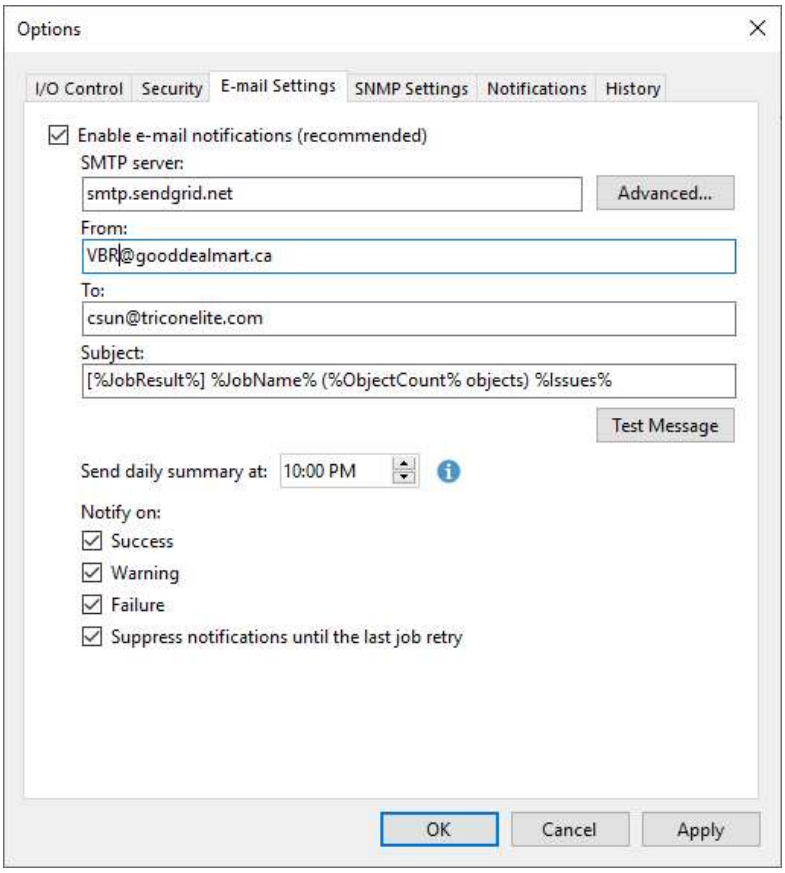
59. On the Advanced SMTP options page, click OK.



60. In the From field, enter an email address you want to use as a sender.
61. In the To field, enter an email address of a notification recipient. To specify multiple email addresses, use a semicolon.
62. Click Test Message.



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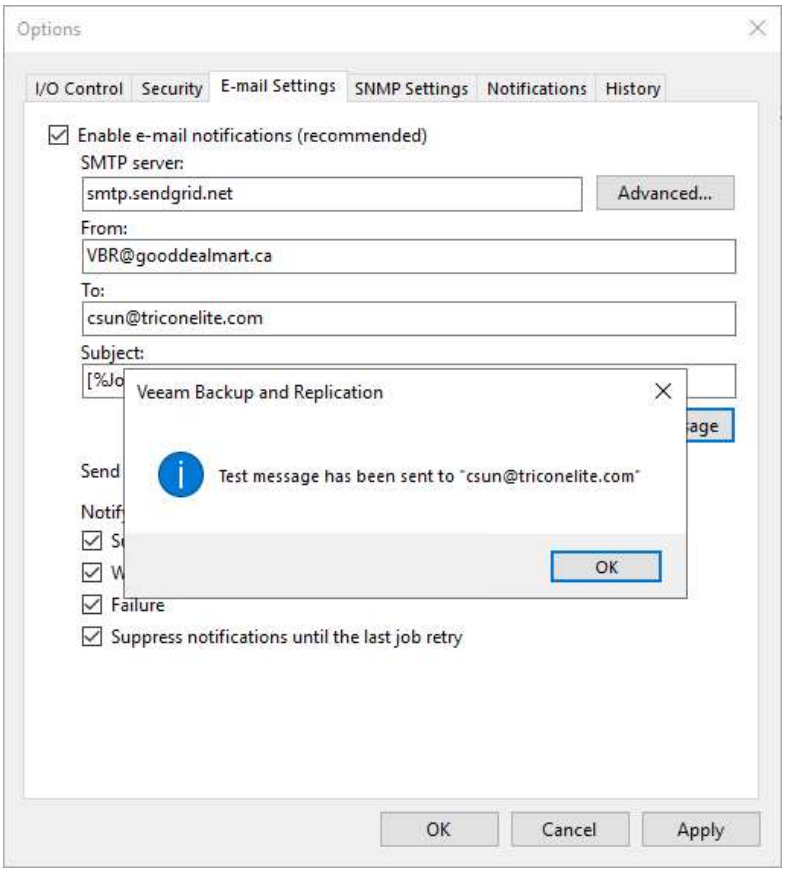
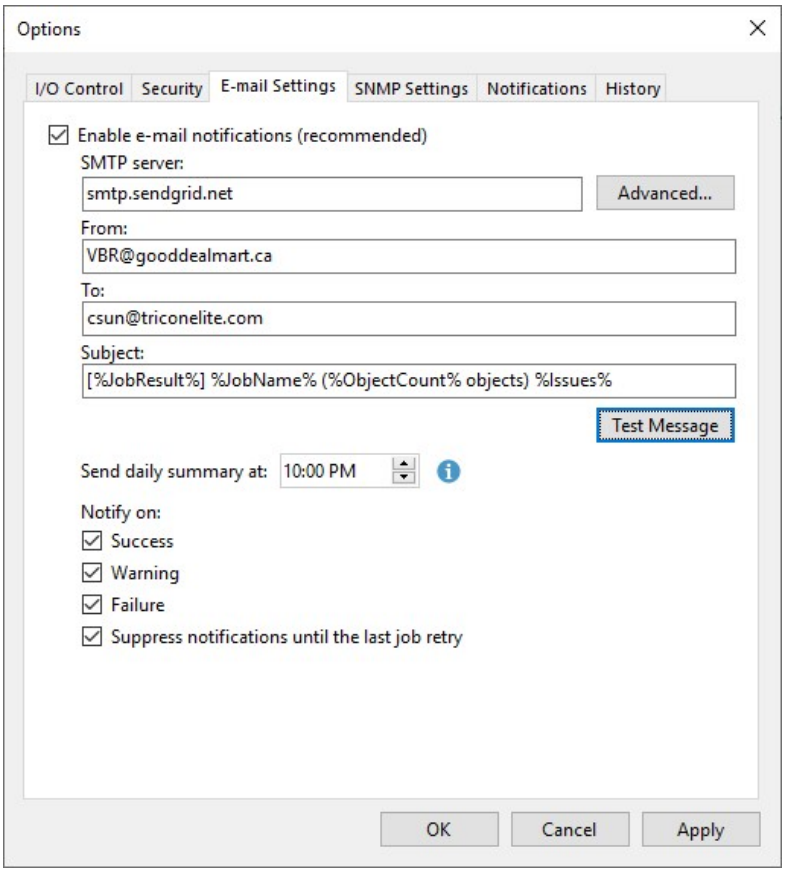
63. Verify the test message sent successfully, and click OK.



64. On the Options page, click OK.



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Configure Notification with Microsoft Office 365 NON-MFA Account

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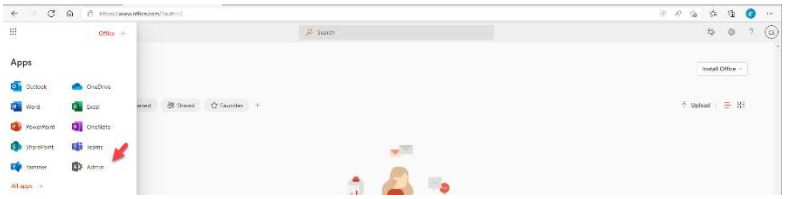
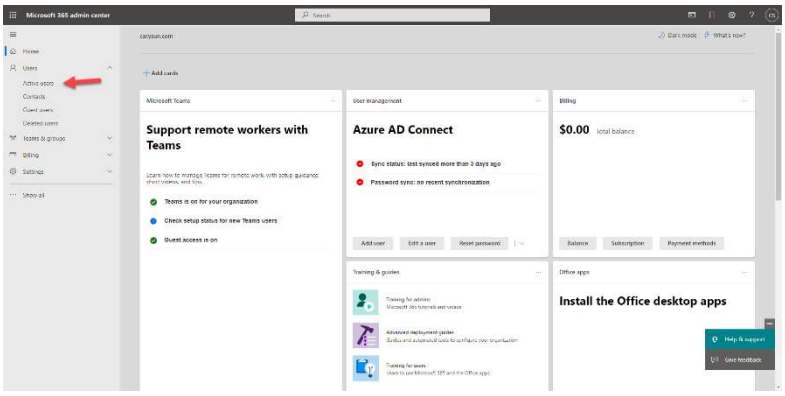
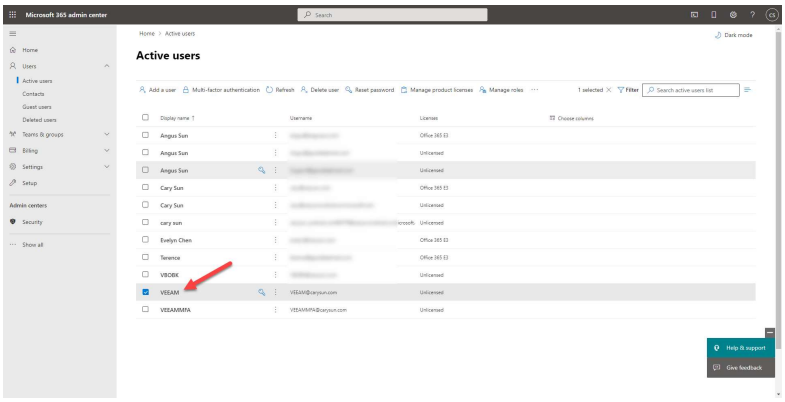
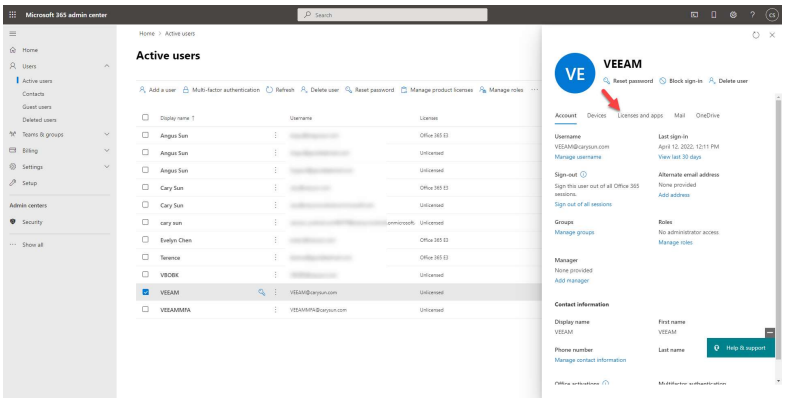
1. Sign in Office 365 portal with a Global Admin account and select Admin.	
2. On the Microsoft 365 admin center, expand Users and select Active users.	

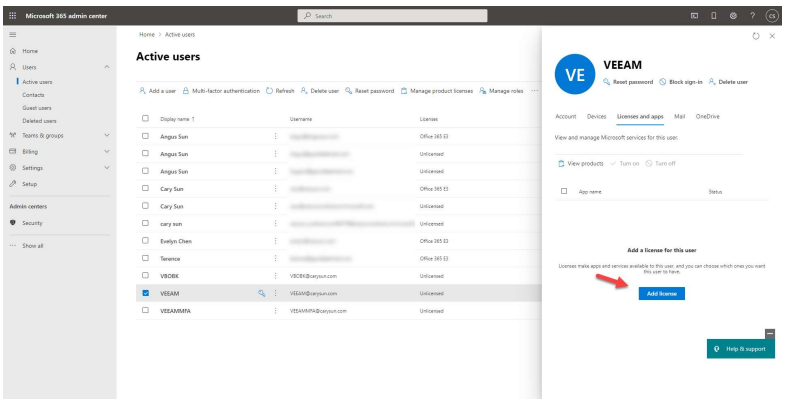
3. On the Active users' page, click Veeam service account (in my case, VEEAM).



4. On the account page, select License and apps.



5. On the License and apps page, click Add license.



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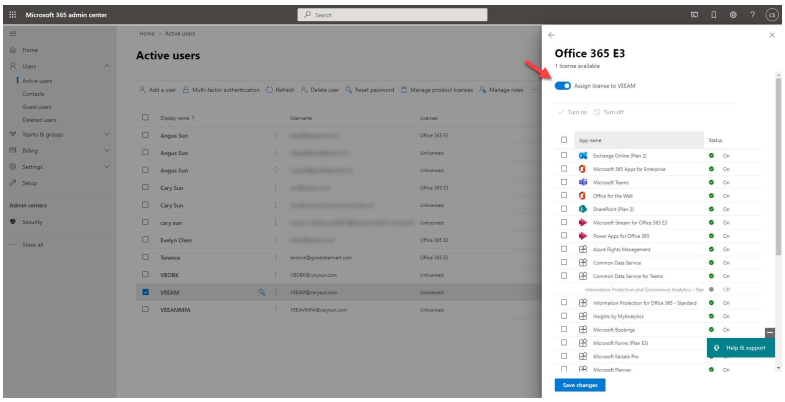
6. On the Office 365 license page, enable Assign license to the account and click Save changes.



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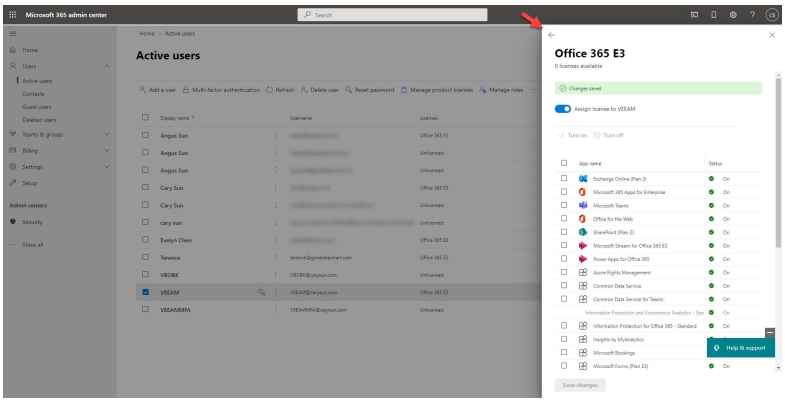
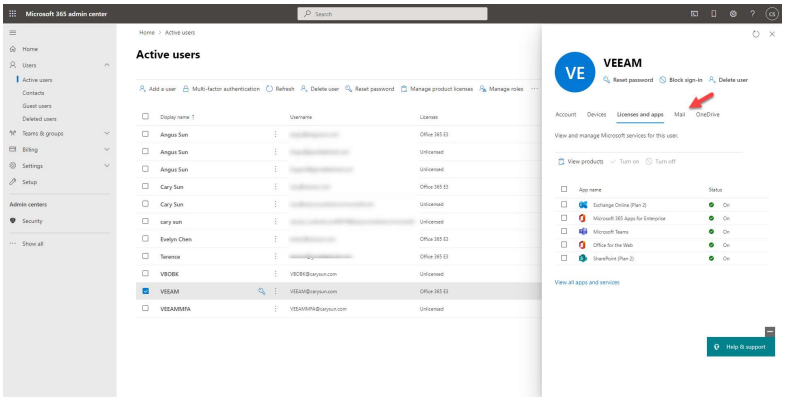
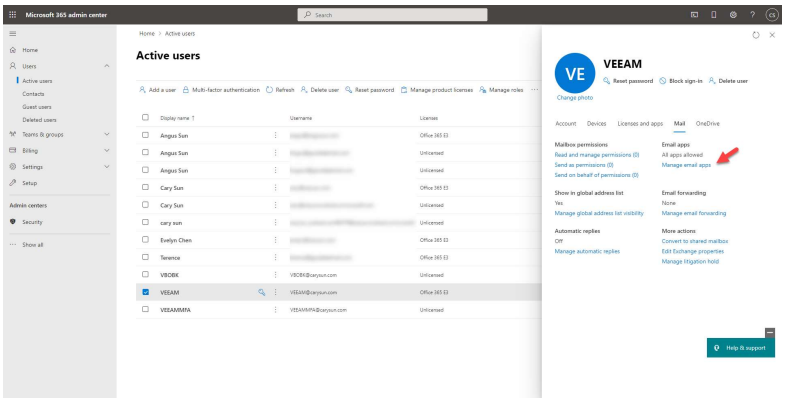


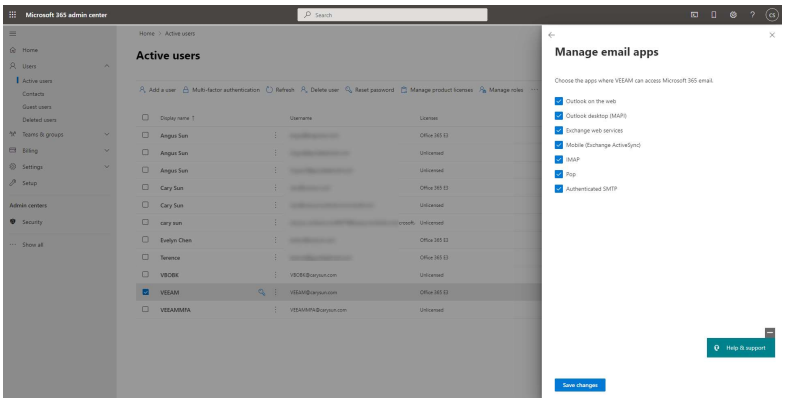
8. On the account page, select Mail. It would be preferable to wait a few minutes before preparing a mailbox for the user.



9. On the Mail page, select Manage email apps.



10. On the Manage email apps, select Authenticated SMTP and click Save changes.



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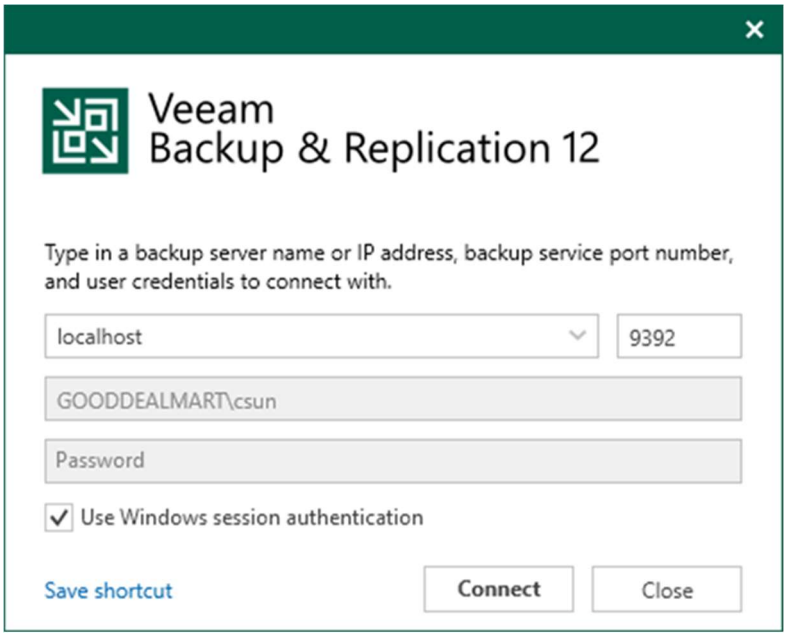
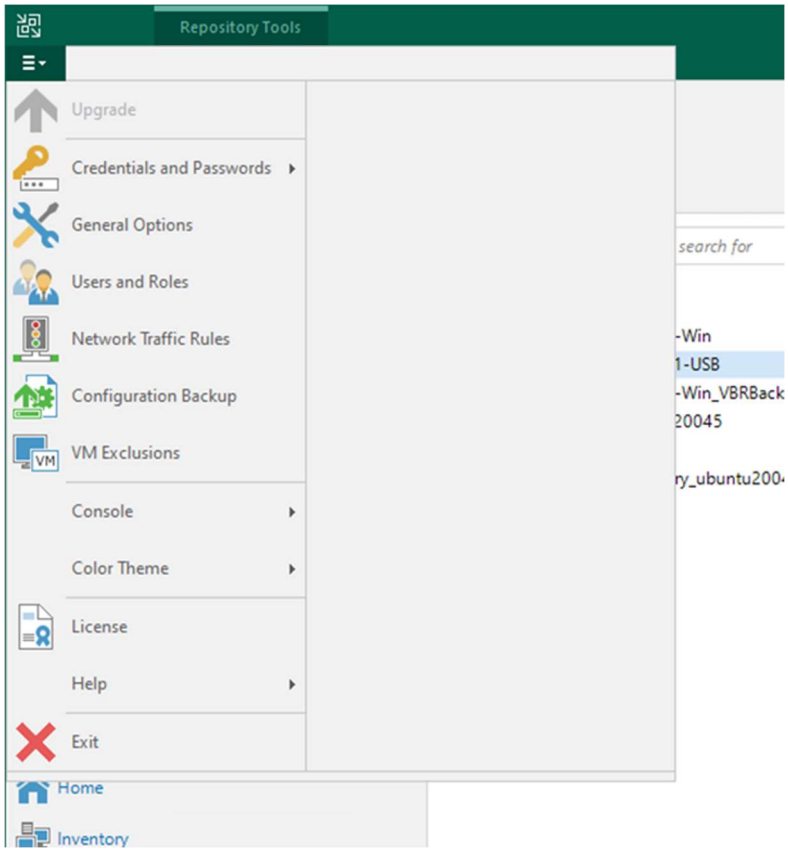


13. Select General Options from the main menu.



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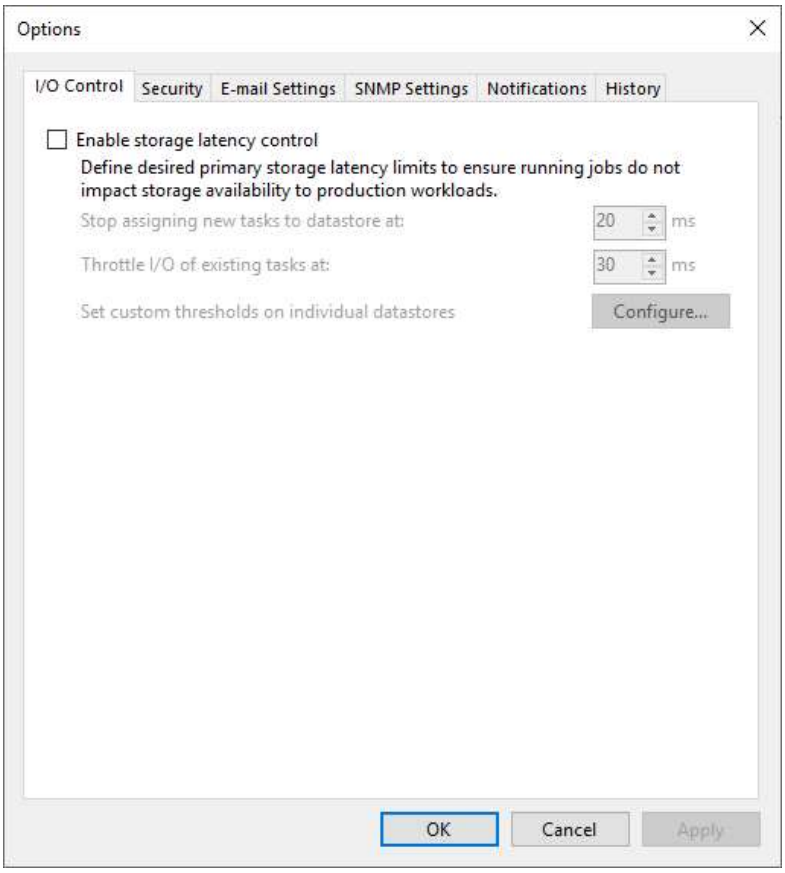
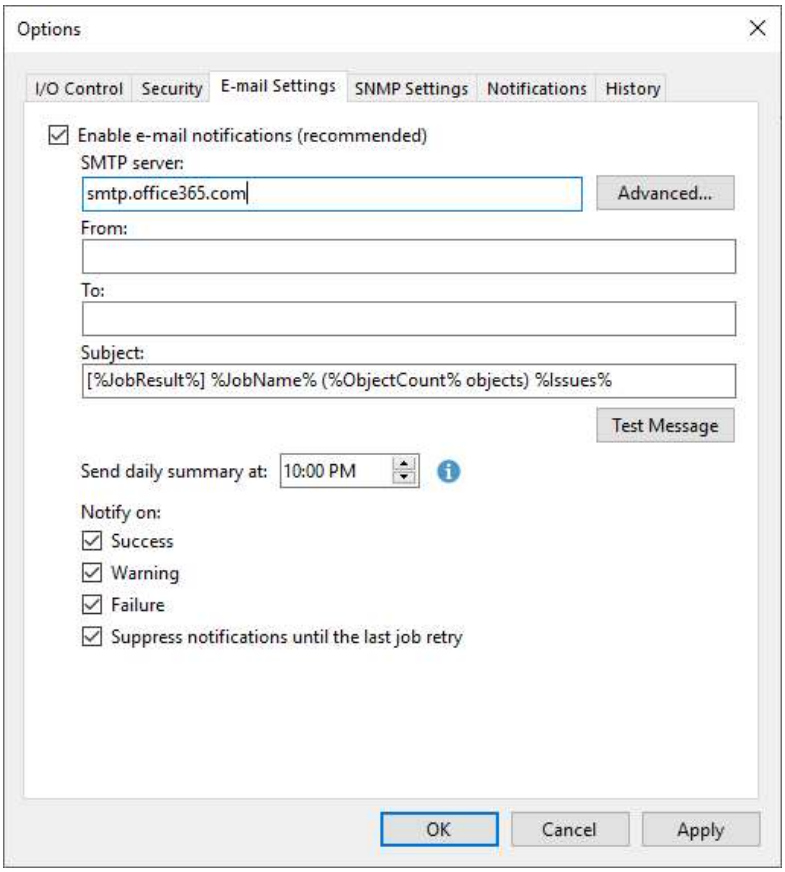
14. On the Options page, select Email Settings.



15. Select Enable e-mail notification (recommend) on the Email Settings page.
16. In the SMTP server field, enter smtp.sendgrid.net, and click Advanced.



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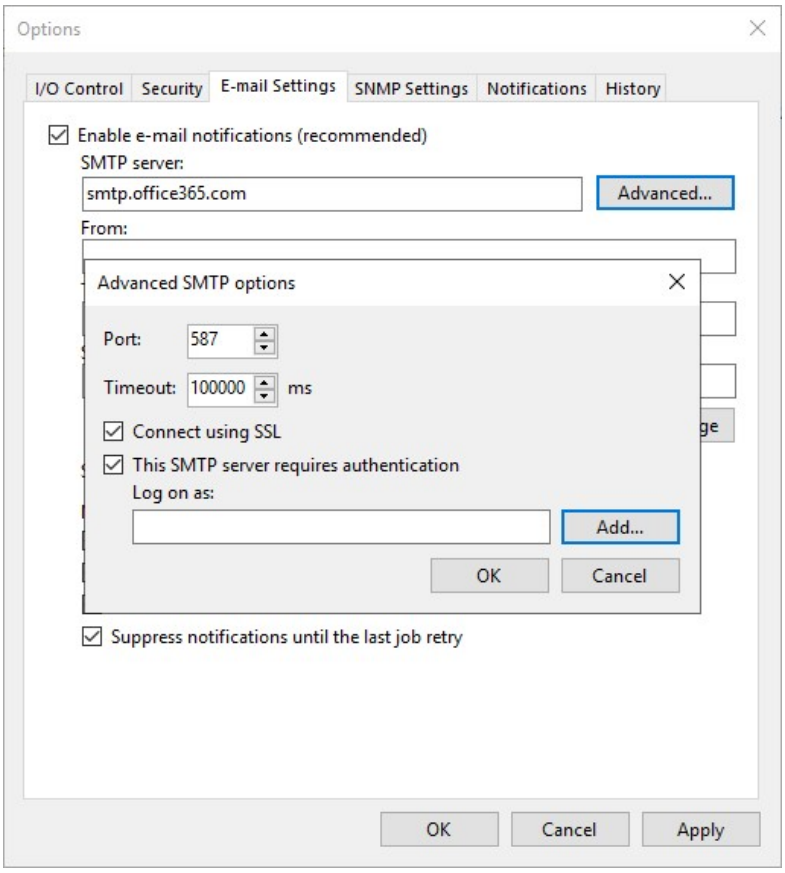
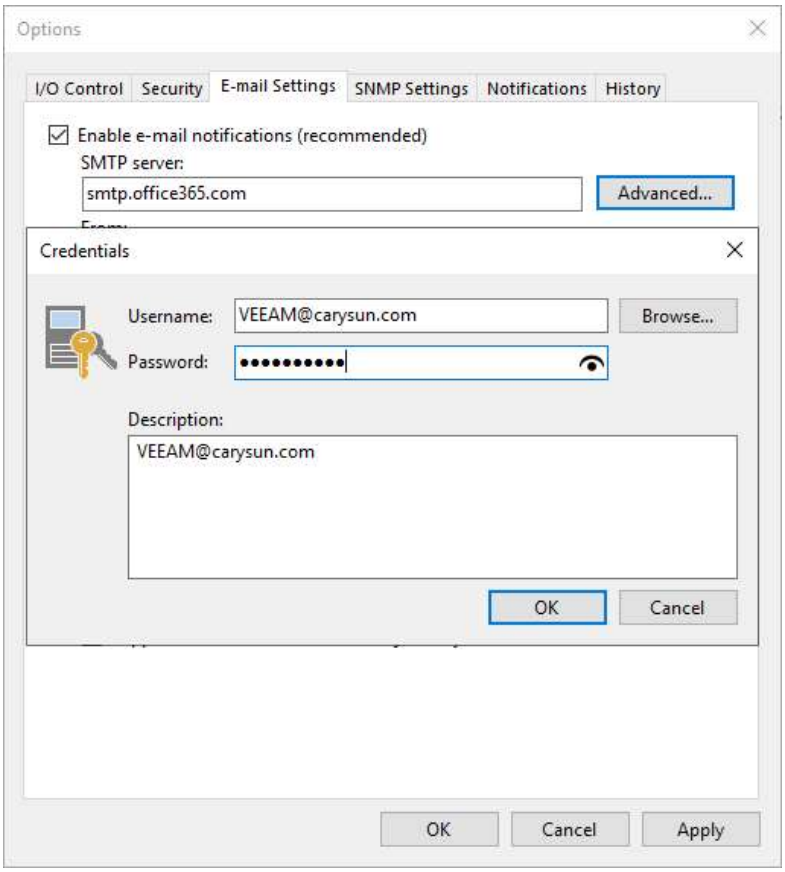
17. On the Advanced SMTP options page, enter 587 in the Port field.
18. Use 100000 milliseconds as the Timeout.
19. Select Connect using SSL.
20. Select This SMTP server requires authentication.
21. Click Add to add a credential as Log on as account.



22. The SMTP server requires authentication. Type the office 365 service account (VEEAM@carysun.com in my case) as Username, enter the account password, and click OK.



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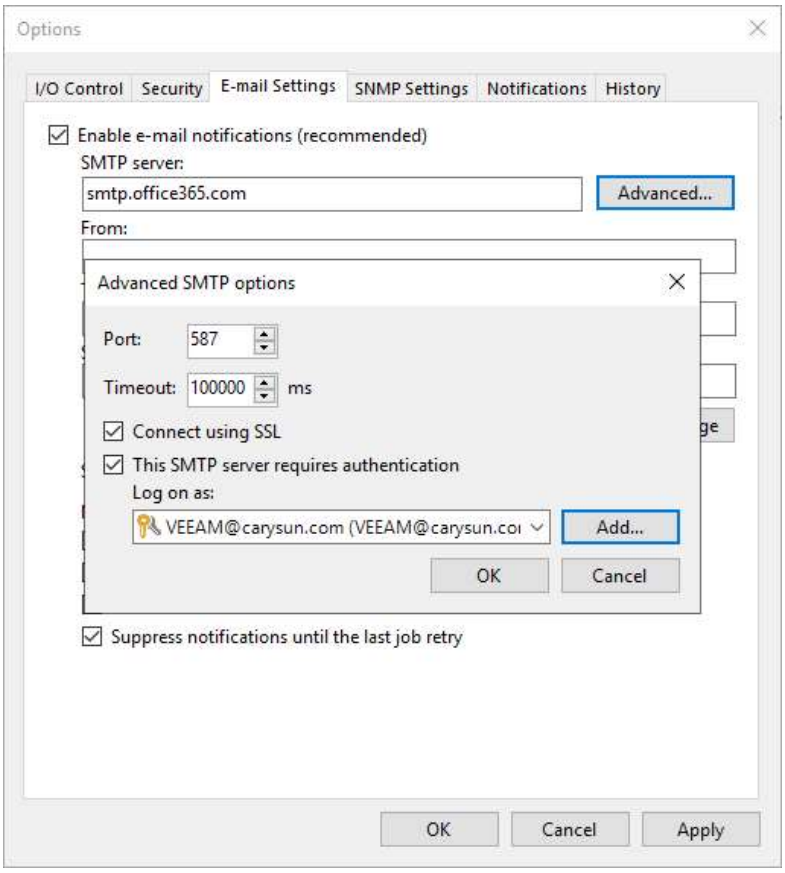
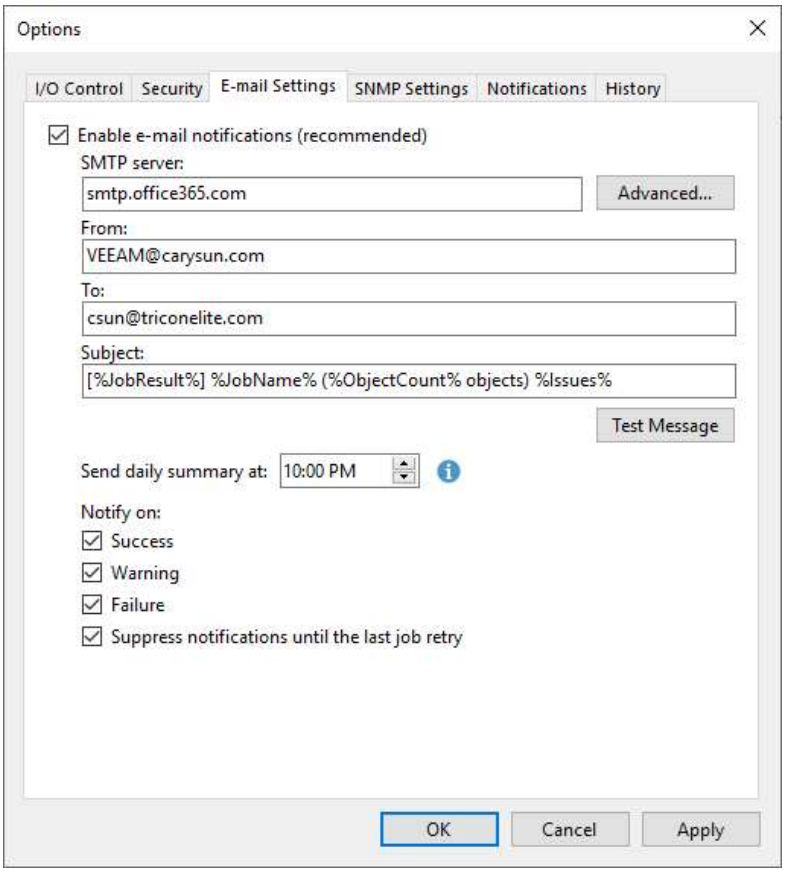
23. On the Advanced SMTP options page, click OK.



24. In the From field, enter an email address you want to use as a sender.
25. In the To field, enter an email address of a notification recipient. To specify multiple email addresses, use a semicolon.
26. Click Test Message.



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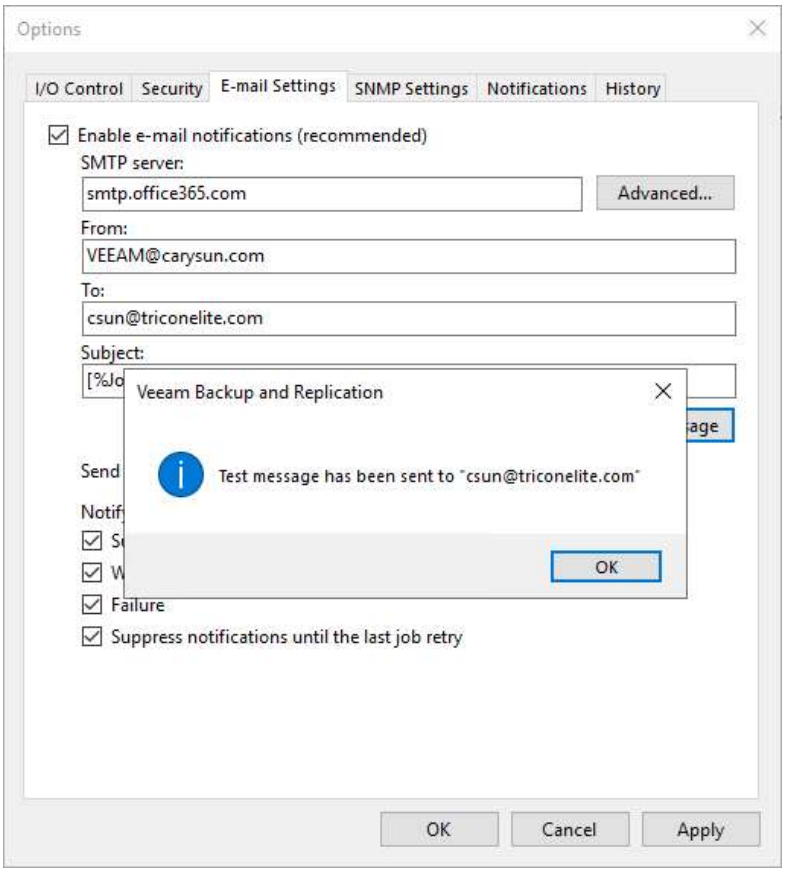
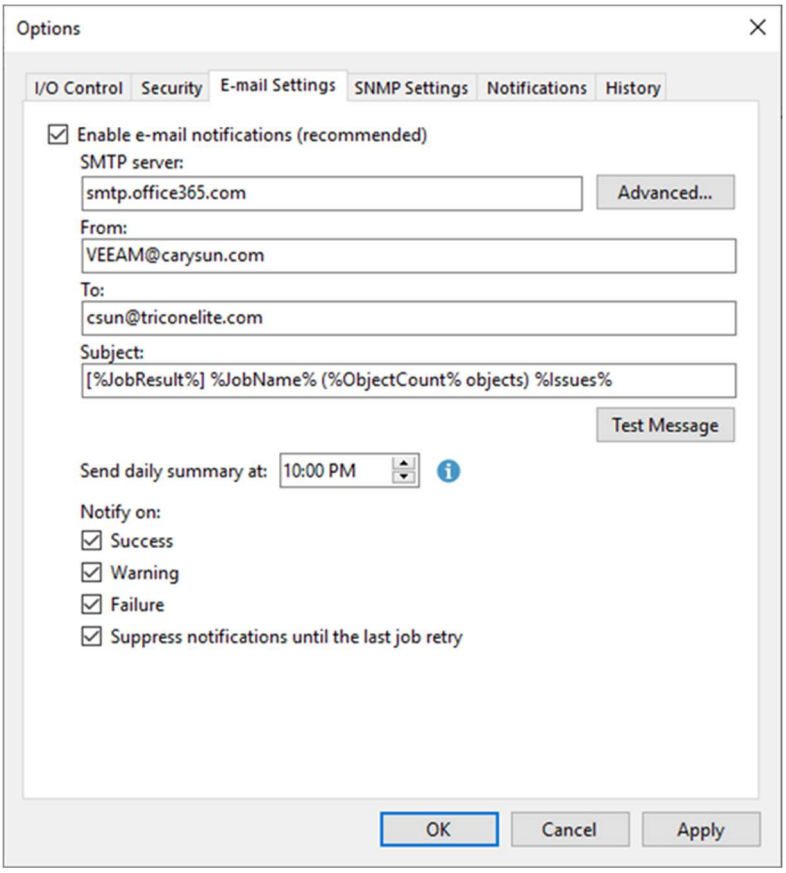
27. Ensure the test email was successfully sent to recipients, and click OK.



28. On the Email Settings page, System notifications are sent by default whenever a backup job session ends with the following states: Success, Warning, or Failure. Keep the default settings, and click OK.



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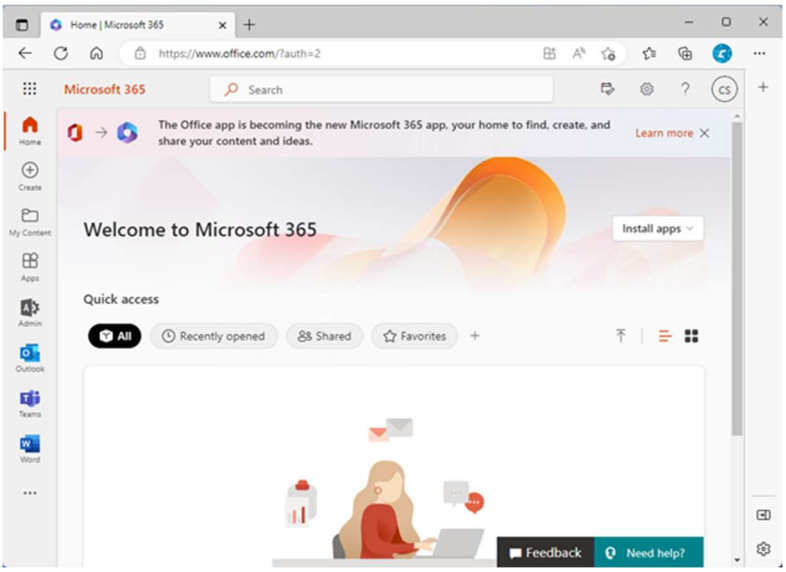
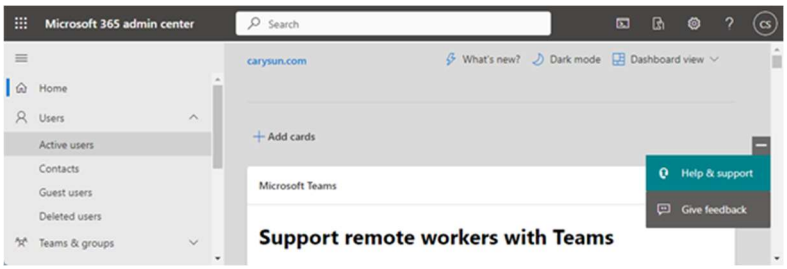
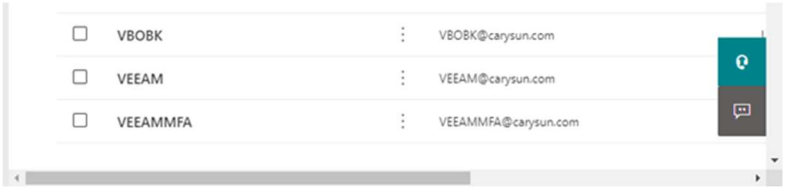
1. Sign in Office 365 portal with a Global Admin account, and select Admin.	
2. On the Microsoft 365 admin center, expand Users and select Active users.	

3. On the Active users' page, click Veeam service account (VEEAMMFA, in my case).



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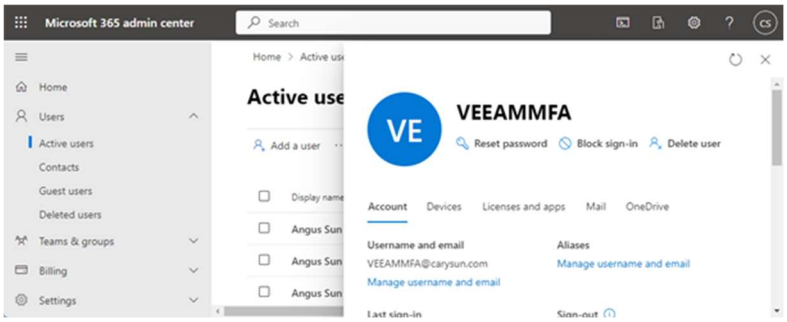

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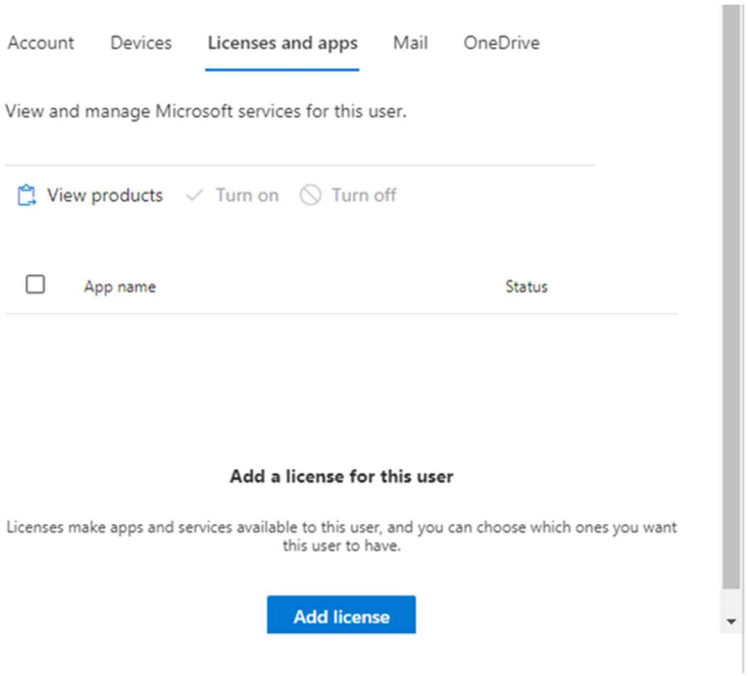

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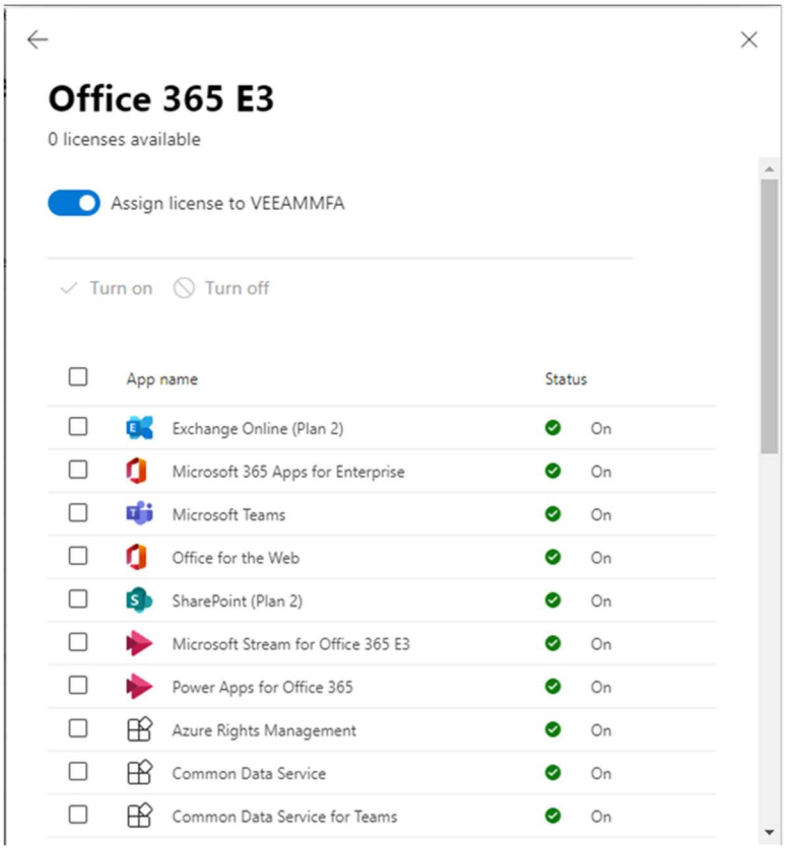
6. On the Office 365 license page, enable Assign license to the account, and click Save changes.



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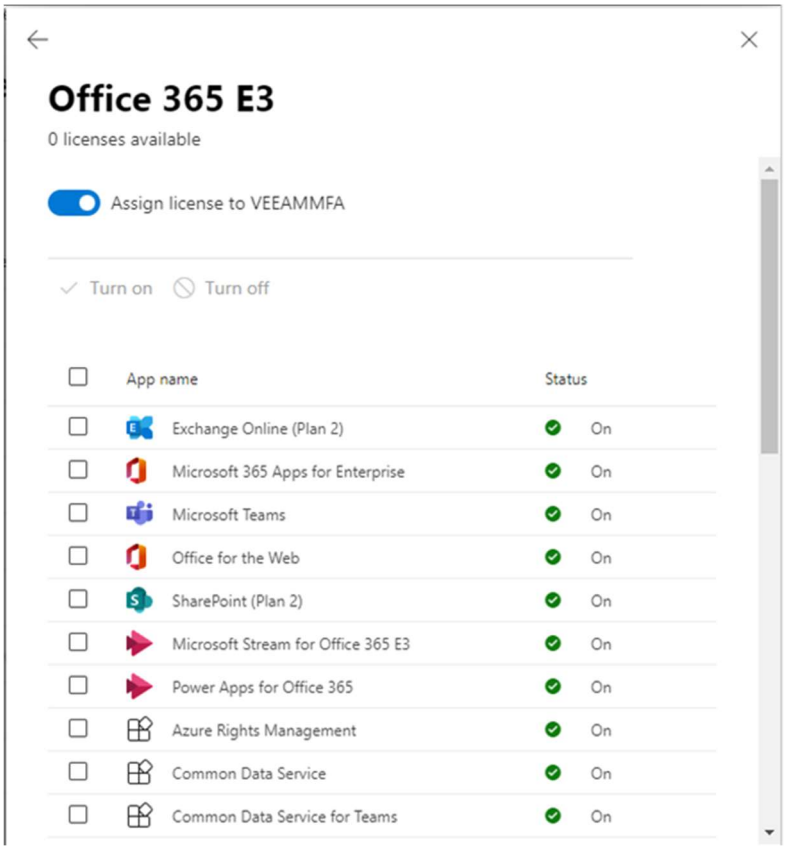

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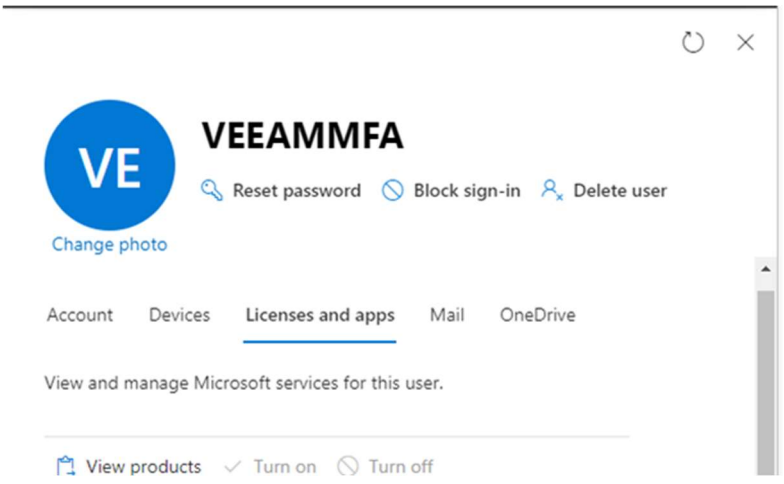

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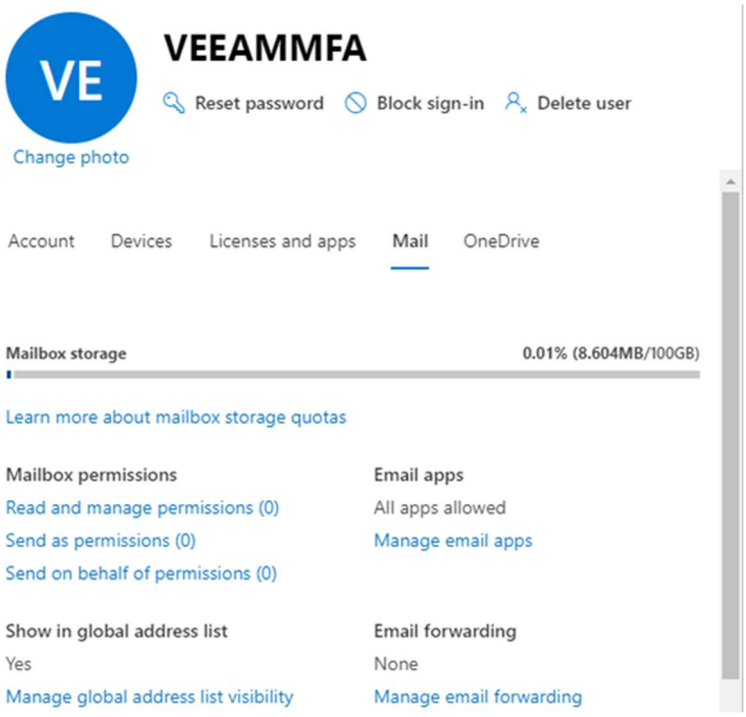
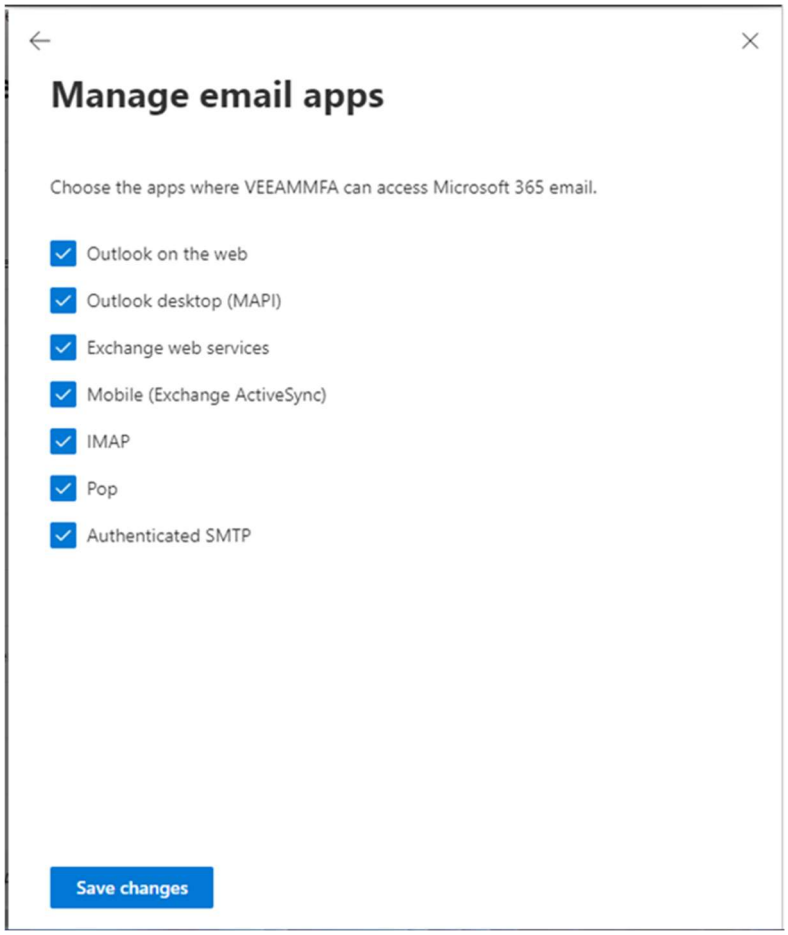
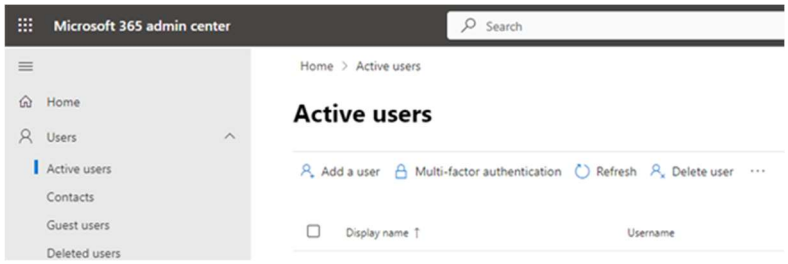


10. On the Manage email apps, select Authenticated SMTP and click Save changes.



11. On the Active Users page, select Multi-factor authentication.



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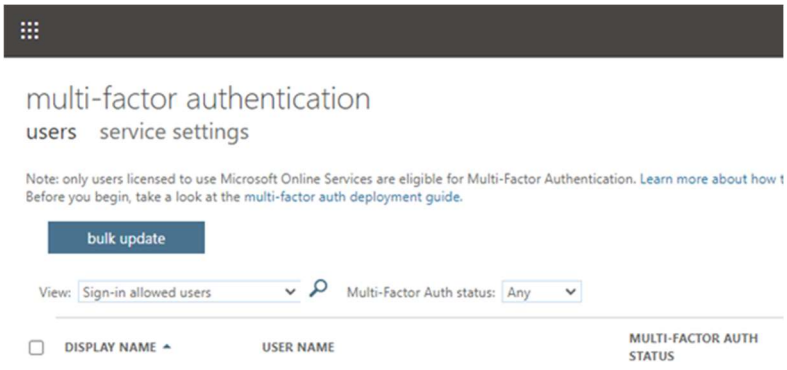
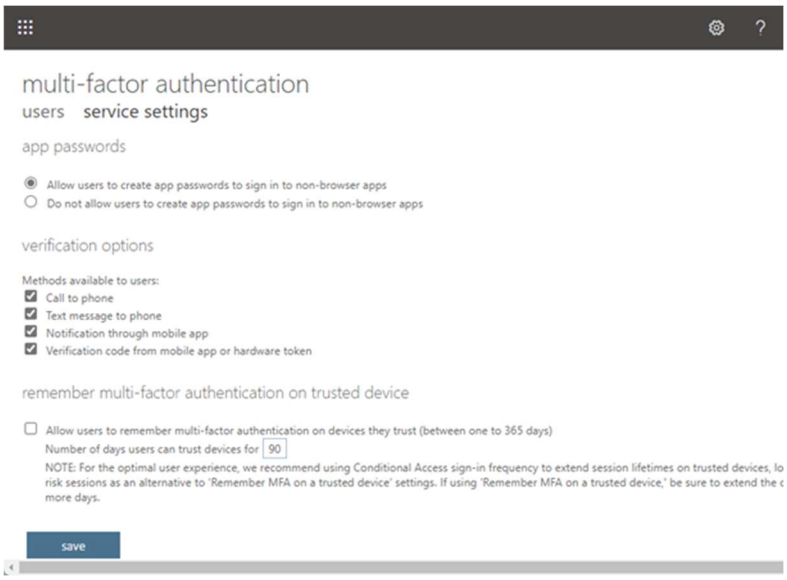
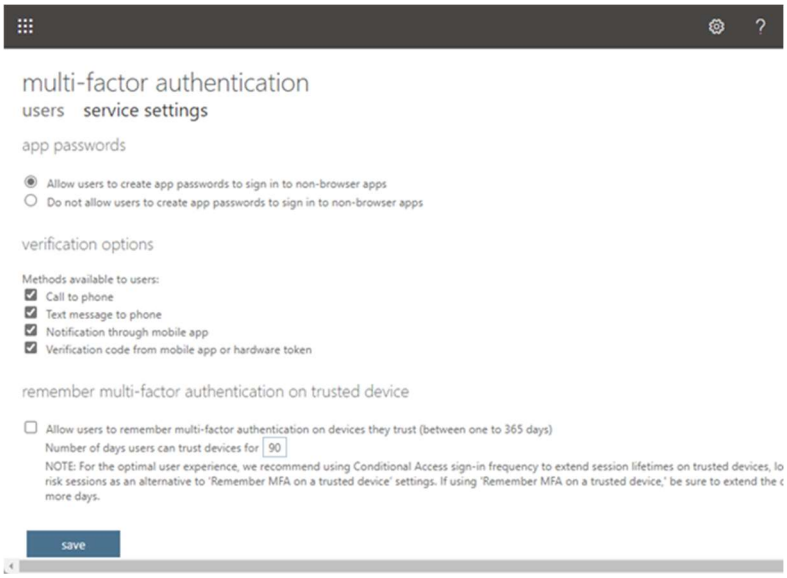
12. Sign in with a Global admin account.
13. On the multi-factor authentication page, select service settings.



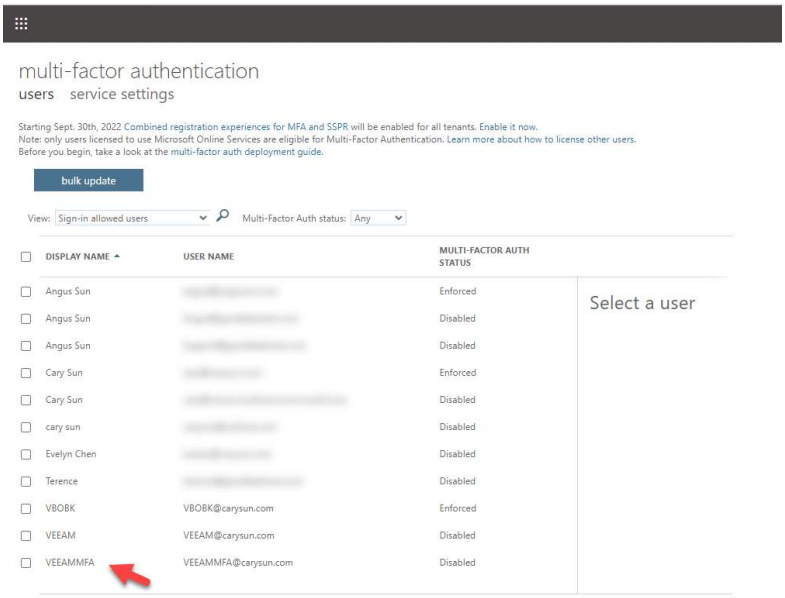
14. On the service settings page, select Allow users to create an app password to sign in to non-browser apps, click save and then sign out from the office 365 portal.



15. On the multi-factor authentication page, select users.



16. If the Veeam service account is non-MFA, follow the steps below to enable MFA.
17. On the users' page, click Veeam service account.



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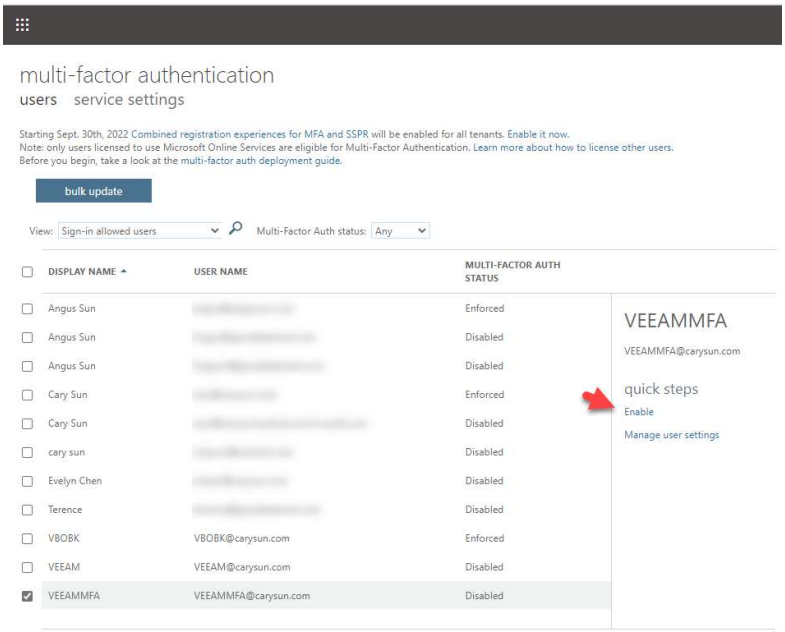
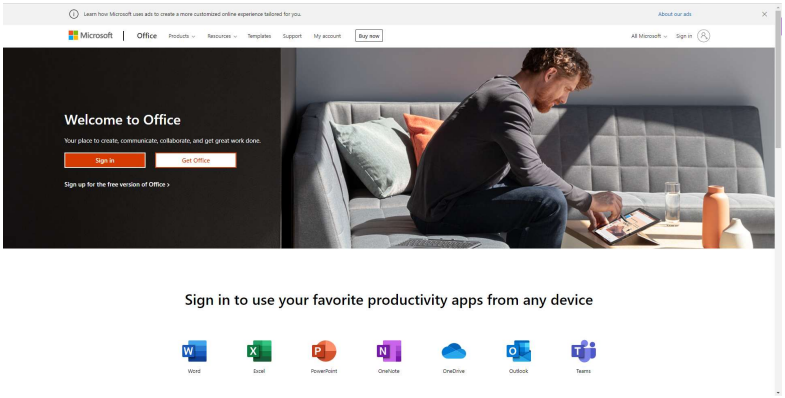
18. On the quick steps page, select Enable.



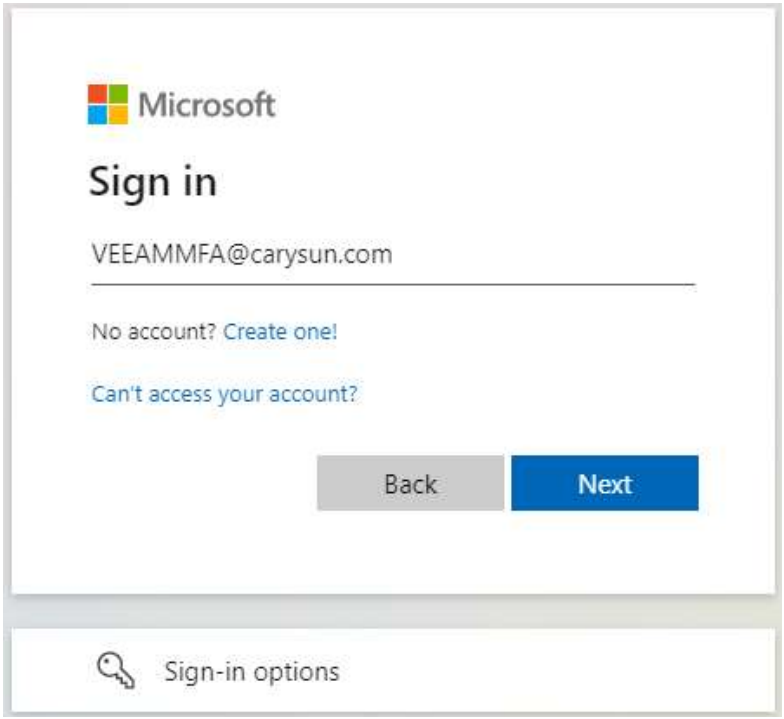
19. Click enable multi-factor auth on the About helping multi-factor auth page.

20. On the Updates, successful page, click Close.

21. Sign in Office 365 portal with a Veeam service account



22. On the Sign in page, enter the Veeam services account email address.



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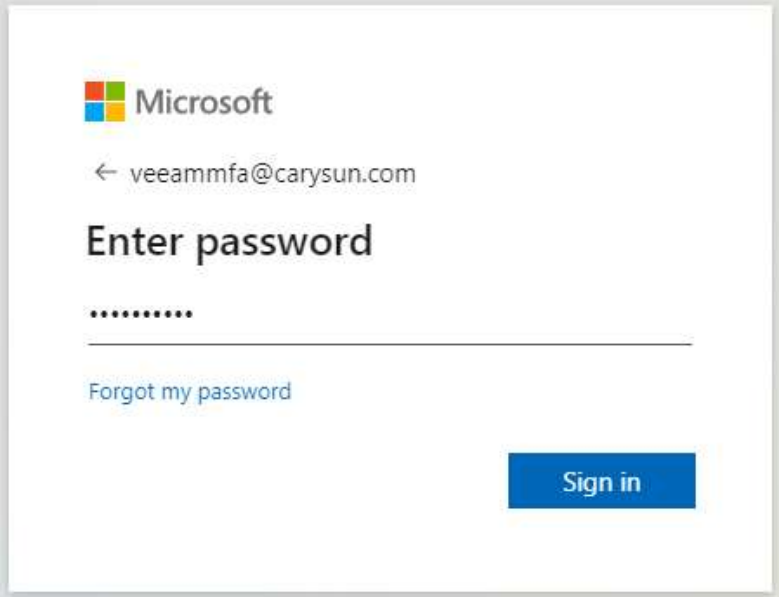
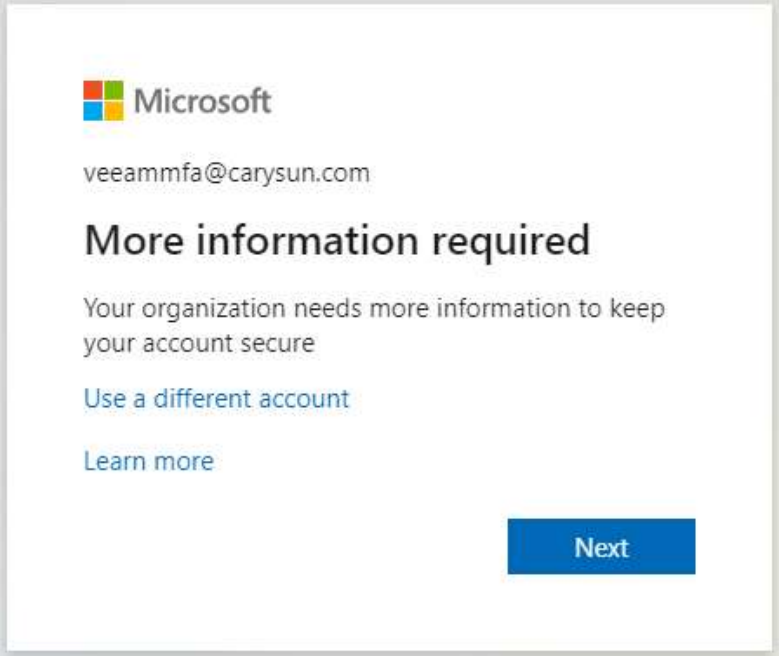
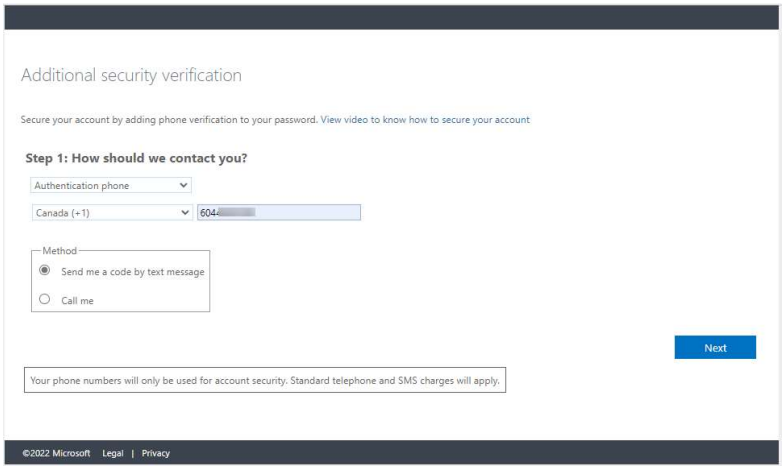
23. Enter the password.



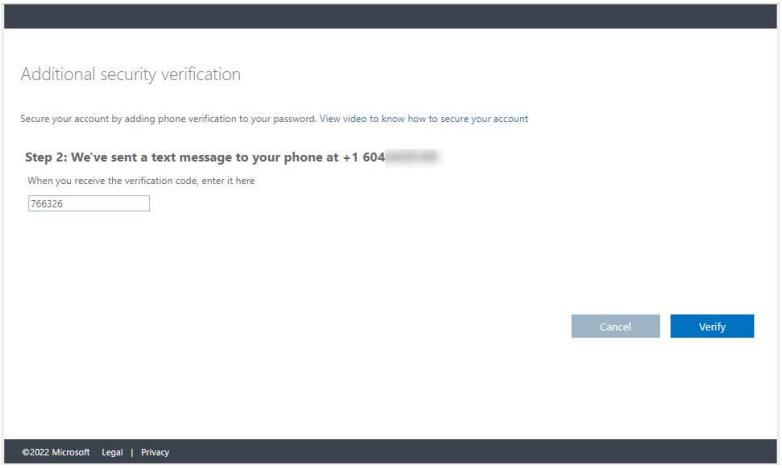
24. On the More information required page, click Next.



25. Select Fill in the information on the Step 1 page and click Next.



26. On the Step 2 page, enter the verification code and click Verify.



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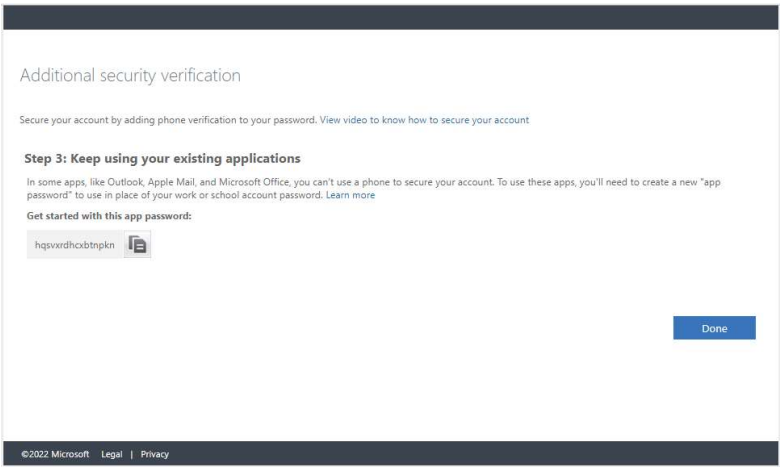
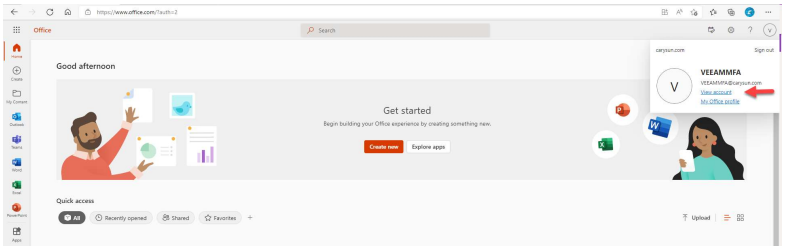
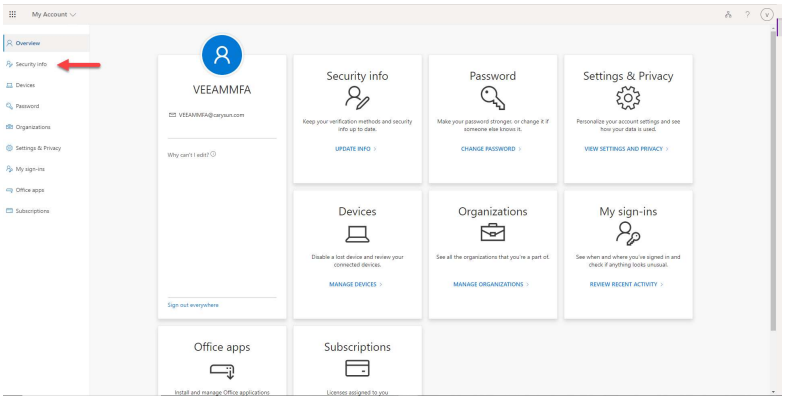
27. In Step 3, copy and save the app password, and click Done.



28. If the Veeam service account is an existing MFA account, follow the below steps to add App password authentication.
29. Sign in to the Office 365 portal with the Veeam service account and select View account.

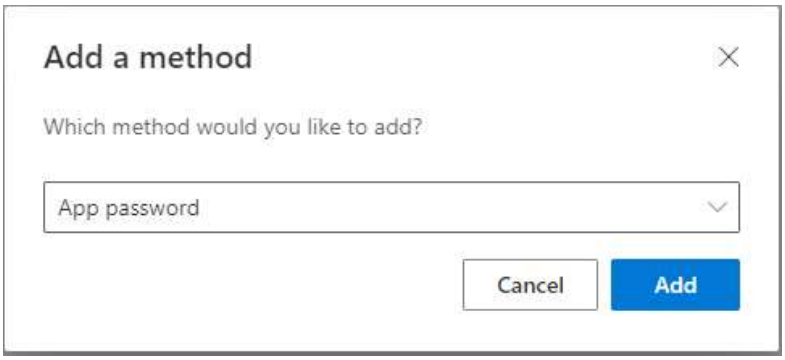


30. On the My account page, select Security info.

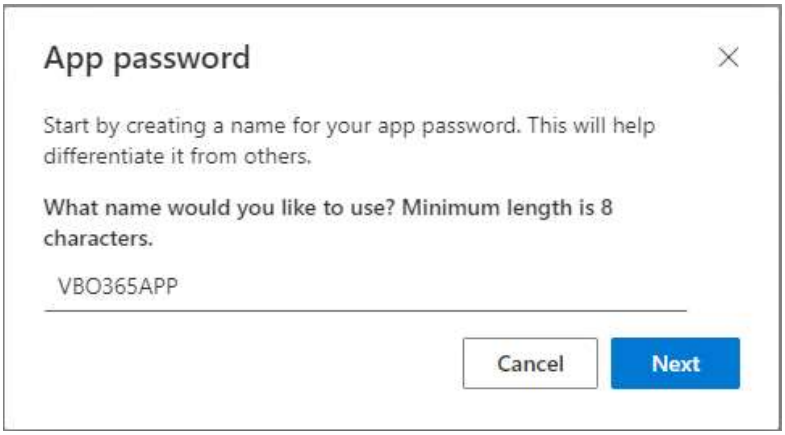


31. On the Security info page, select the +Add method.

32. On the Add Method, select App password and click Add.



33. Type VBO365APP as the name of the App password, and click Next.



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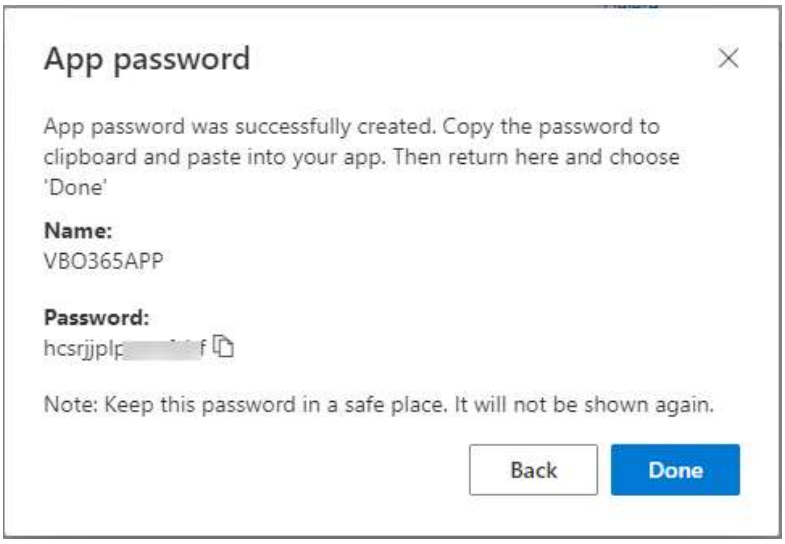
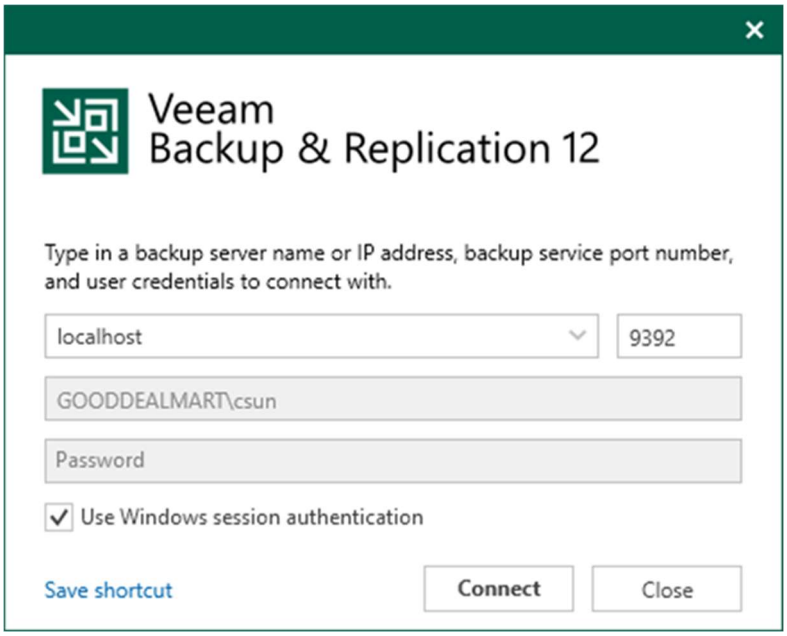
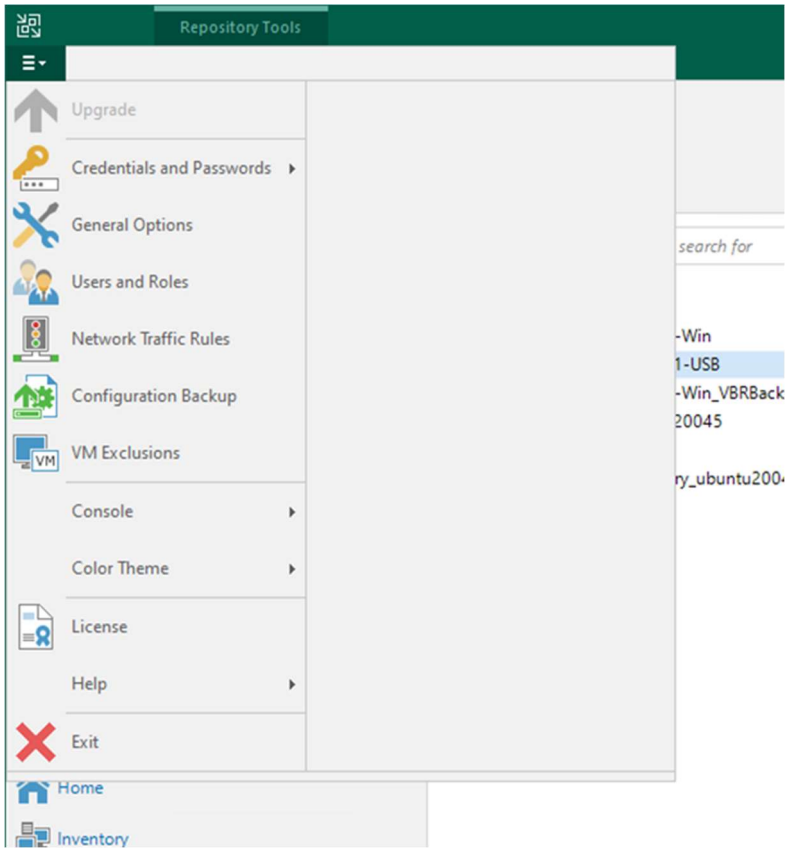
34. Copy and keep the password in a safe place. Then, it will not be shown again.
35. Click Done.



36. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server.
37. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.



38. Select General Options from the main menu.



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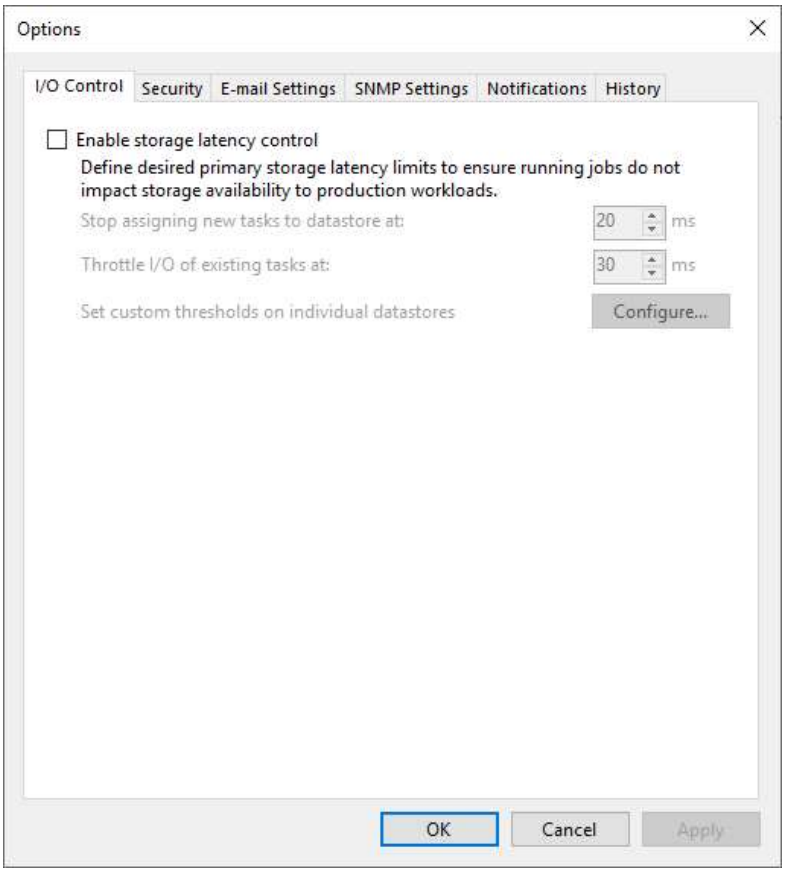
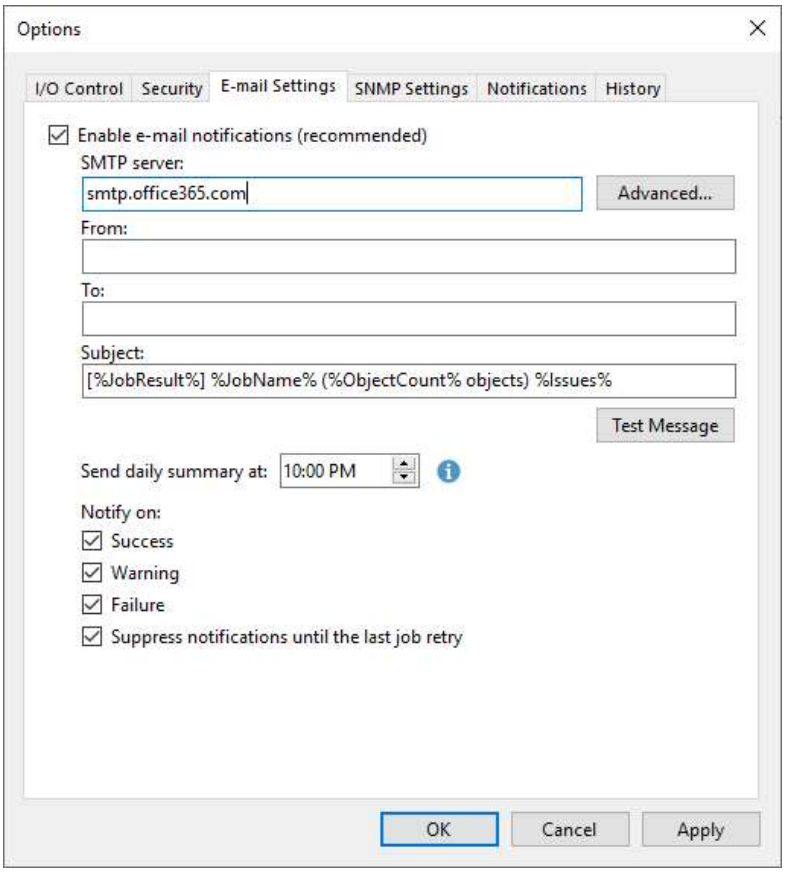
39. On the Options page, select Email Settings.



40. Select Enable e-mail notification (recommend) on the Email Settings page.
41. In the SMTP server field, enter smtp.sendgrid.net and click Advanced.



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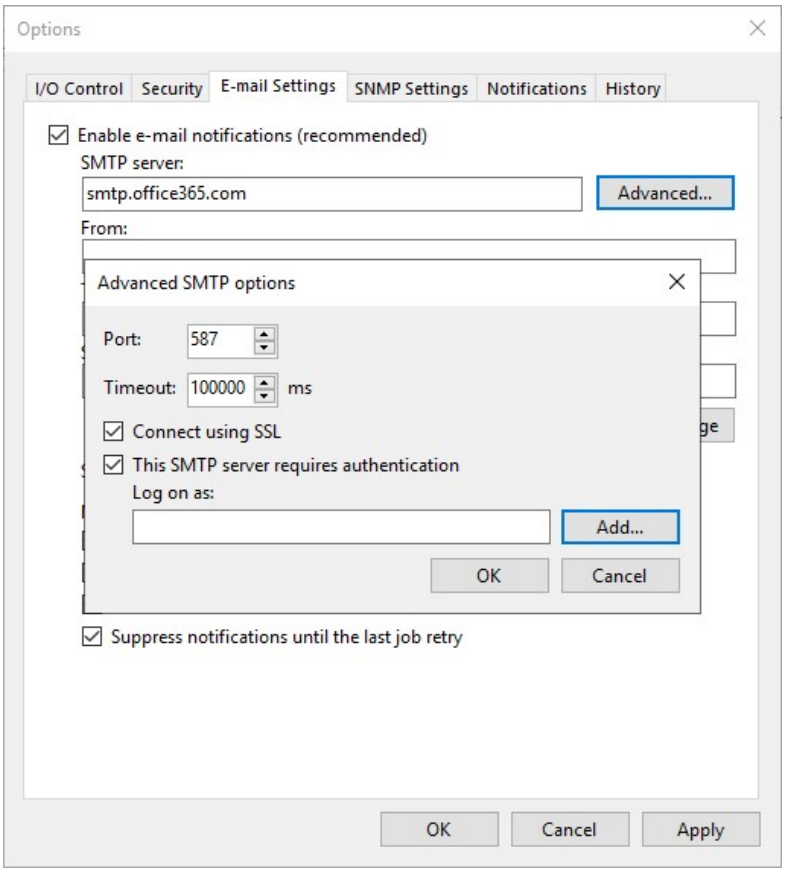
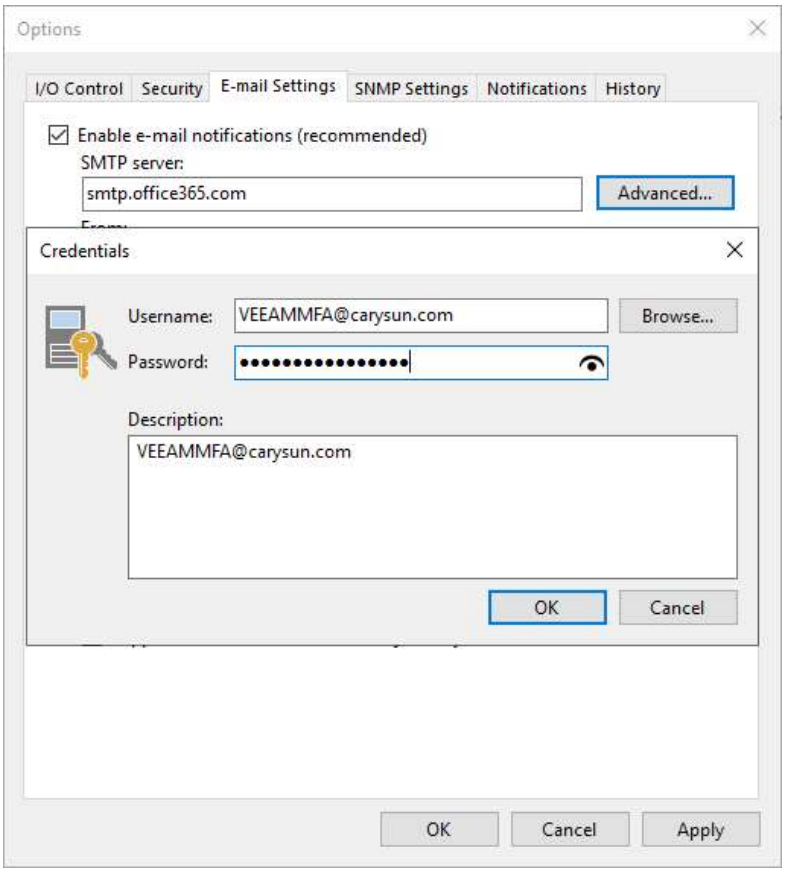
42. On the Advanced SMTP options page, enter 587 in the Port field.
43. Use 100000 milliseconds as the Timeout.
44. Select Connect using SSL.
45. Select This SMTP server requires authentication.
46. Click Add to add a credential as Log on as account.



47. The SMTP server requires authentication. Type the office 365 service account (VEEAMMFA@carysun.com in my case) as Username, enter the App password as the password, and click OK.



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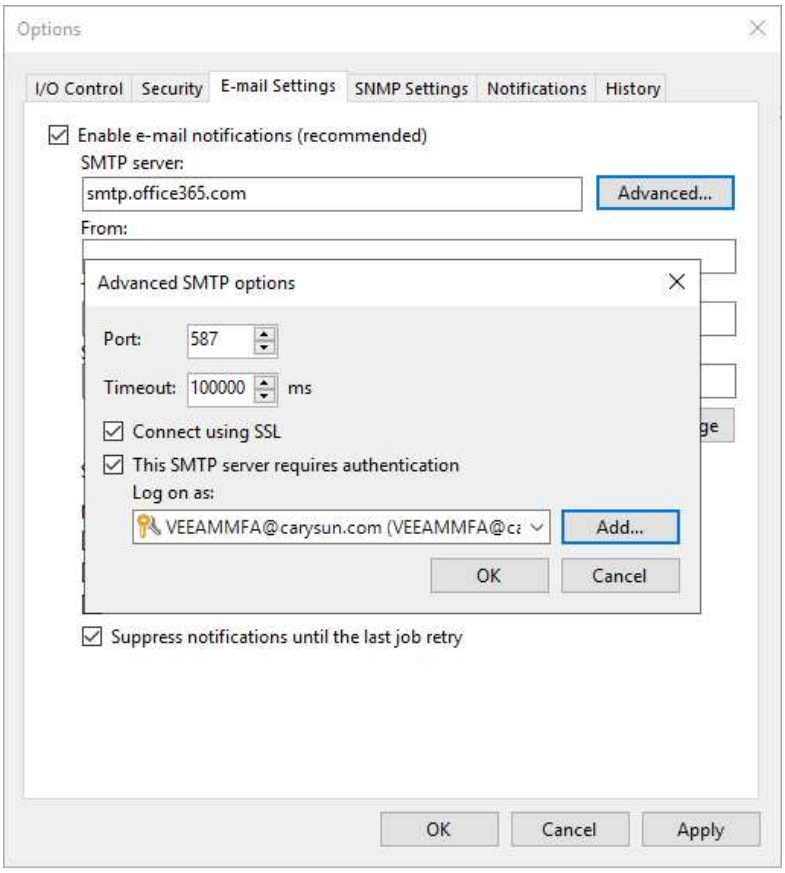
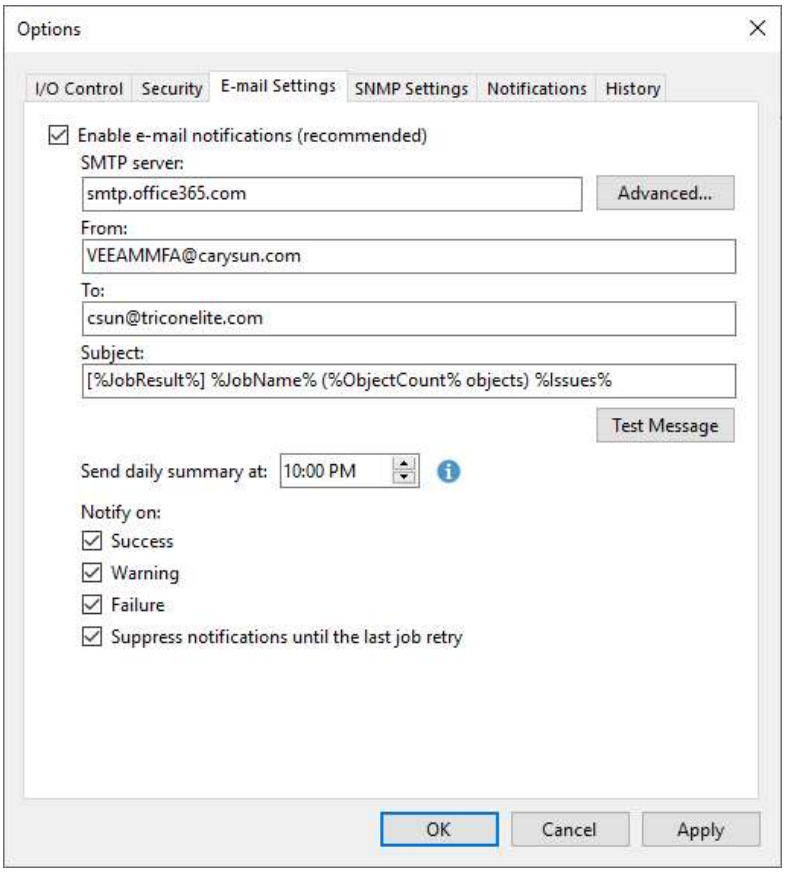
48. On the Advanced SMTP options page, click OK.



49. In the From field, enter the Veeam service account's email address as a sender.
50. In the To field, enter an email address of a notification recipient. To specify multiple email addresses, use a semicolon.
51. Click Test Message.



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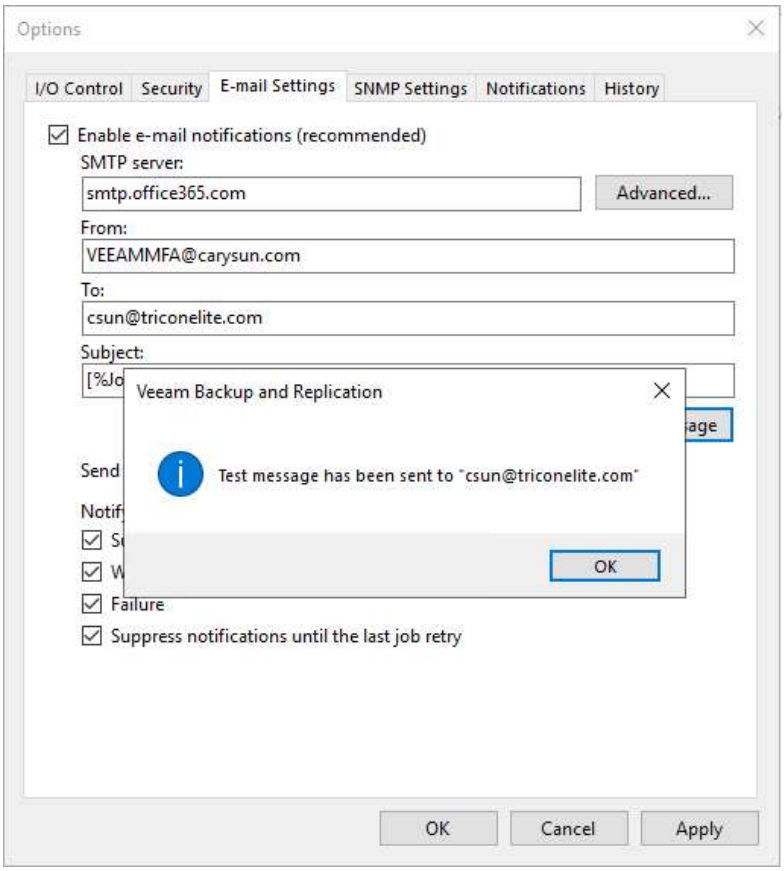
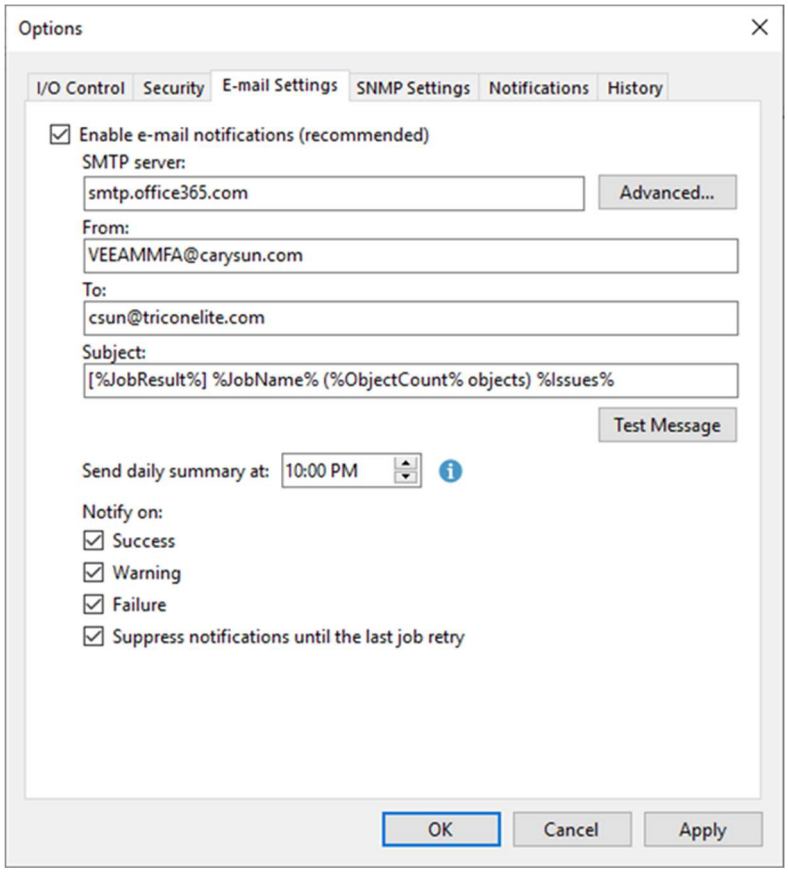
52. Ensure the test email was successfully sent to recipients, and click OK.



53. On the Notifications page, system notifications are sent by default whenever a backup job session ends with the following states: Success, Warning, or Failure. Keep the default settings, and click OK.



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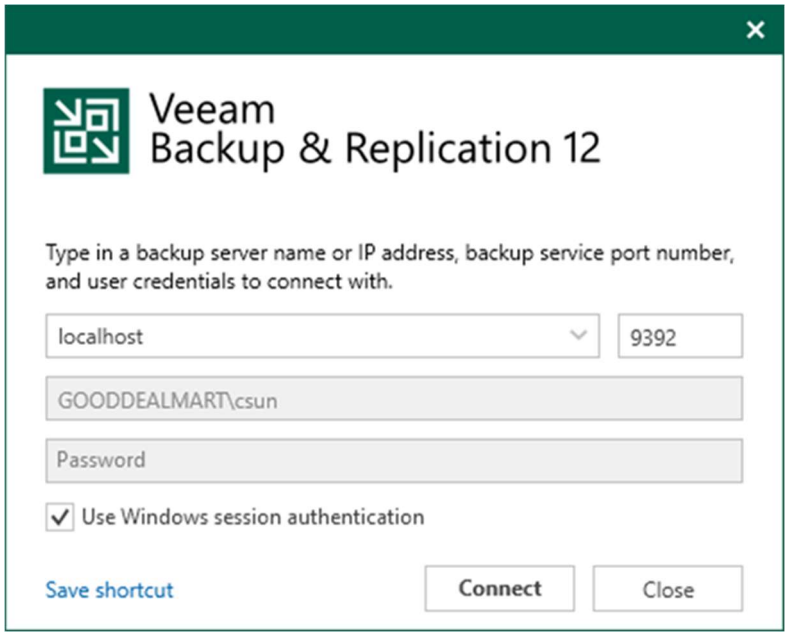
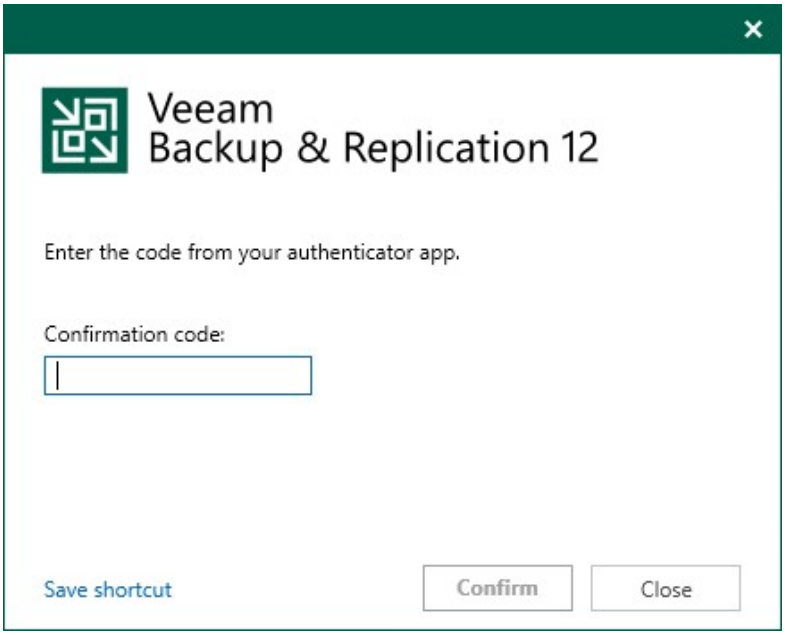
Enable Configuration Backup

The configuration database of Veeam Backup & Replication can be backed up and restored. If the backup server fails, you can quickly reinstall it and restore its configuration from a backup configuration.

You can also use configuration backups to restore the configuration from one backup server to another in the backup infrastructure. For example, Veeam Backup & Replication exports configuration data from the database and saves it to the backup repository during configuration backup.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

3. Enter the MFA Confirmation code and click Confirm.



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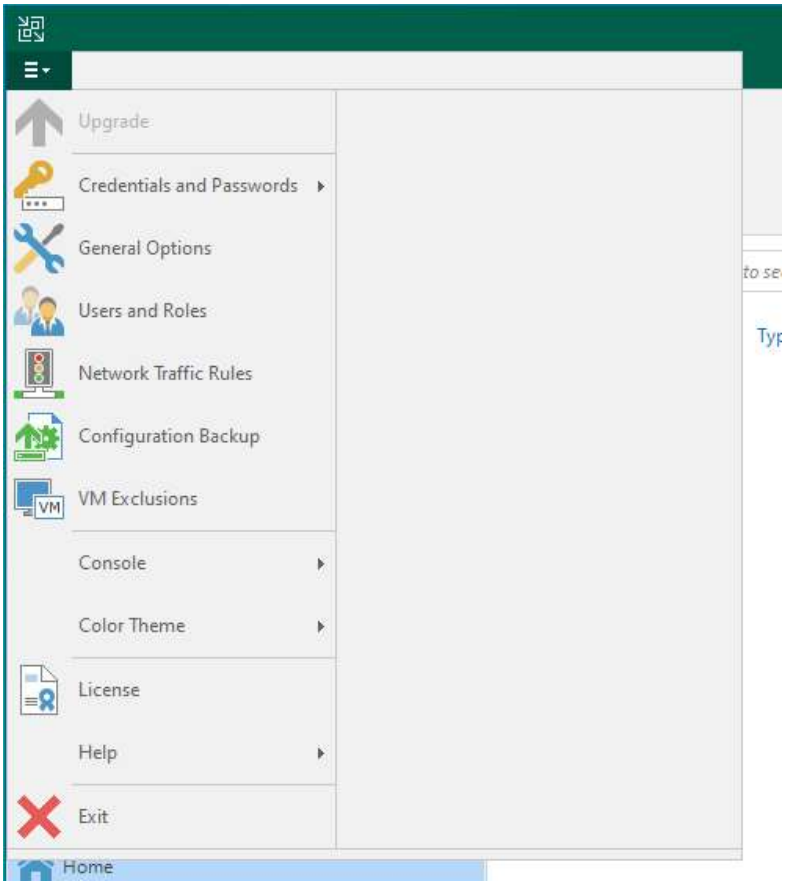
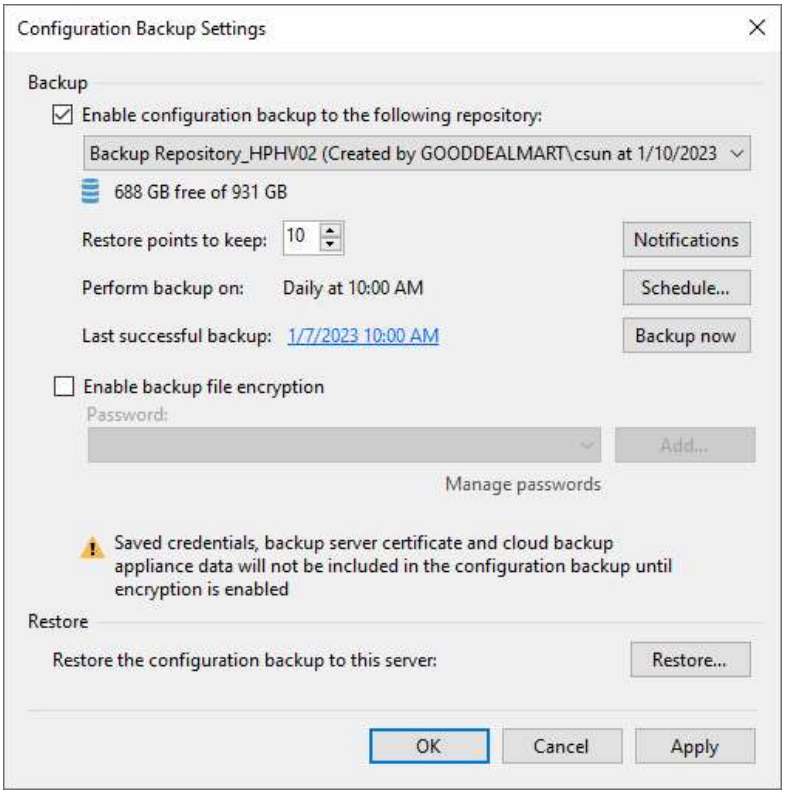
4. Select Configuration Backup from the Man menu.



5. Select Enable configuration backup to the following repository checkbox on the Configuration Backup Settings page.
6. Select the backup repository from the drop-down list.
7. Enter the restore points number in the Restore points to keep field.
8. Click Notifications.



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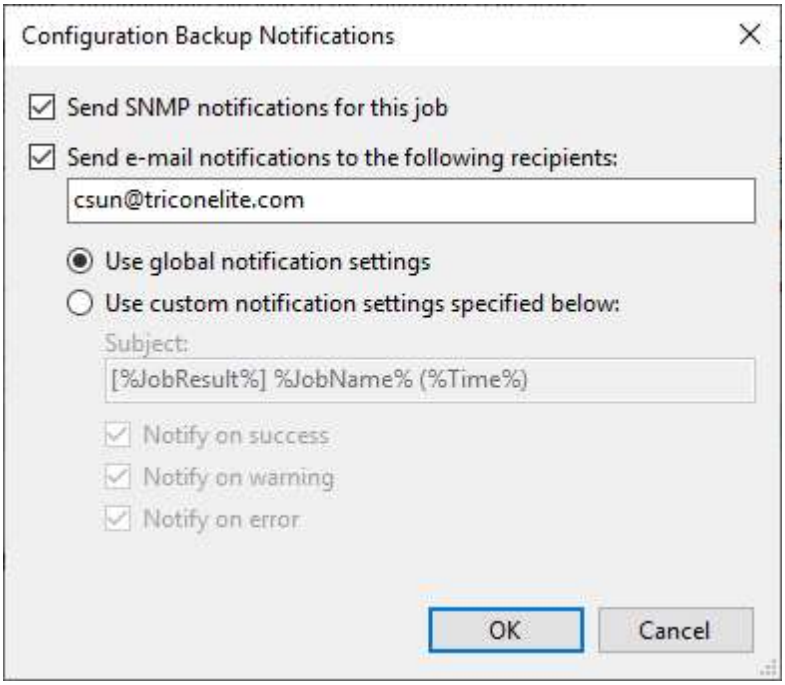
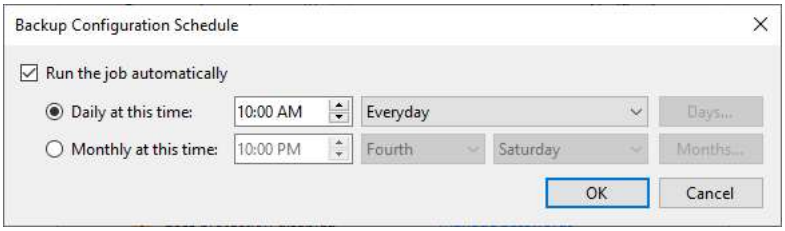
9. Select Send SNMP notification on this job checkbox's Configuration Backup Notification page. If necessary.
10. Select Send e-mail notifications to the following recipients check box and enter a recipient's email address. You can enter multiple addresses, each email address separated by a semicolon.
11. Select the Use global notification settings checkbox.
12. Click OK.

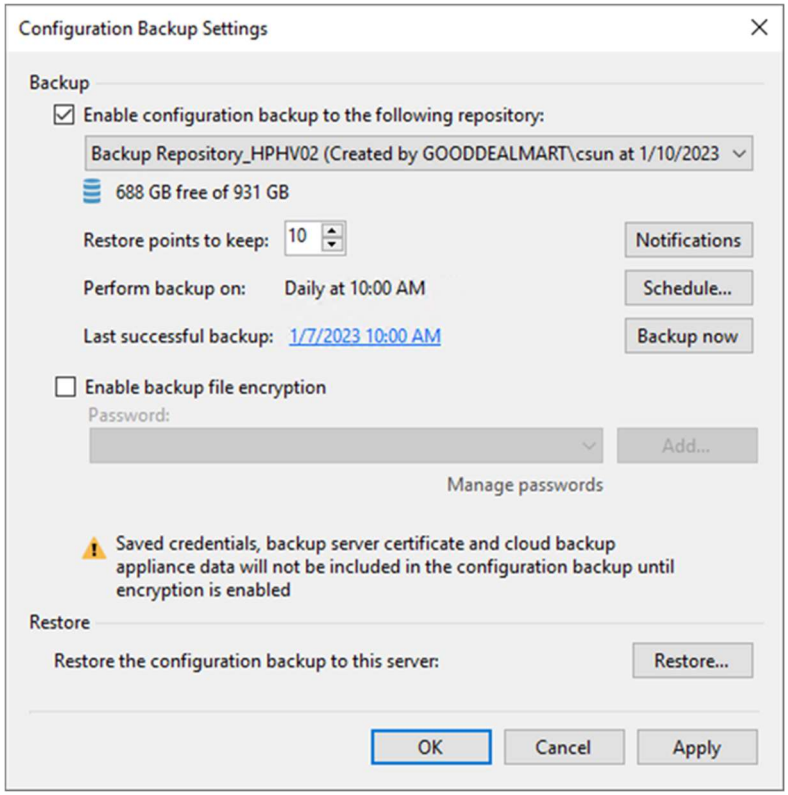


13. Click Schedule on the Configuration Backup Settings page.
14. On the Backup Configuration Schedule page, select Run the job automatically checkbox.
15. Select Daily at this time, enter the backup time in the time field and select every day from the drop-down list.



16. Click OK.

17. On the Configuration Backup Settings page, click Backup now if you want to back up manually.



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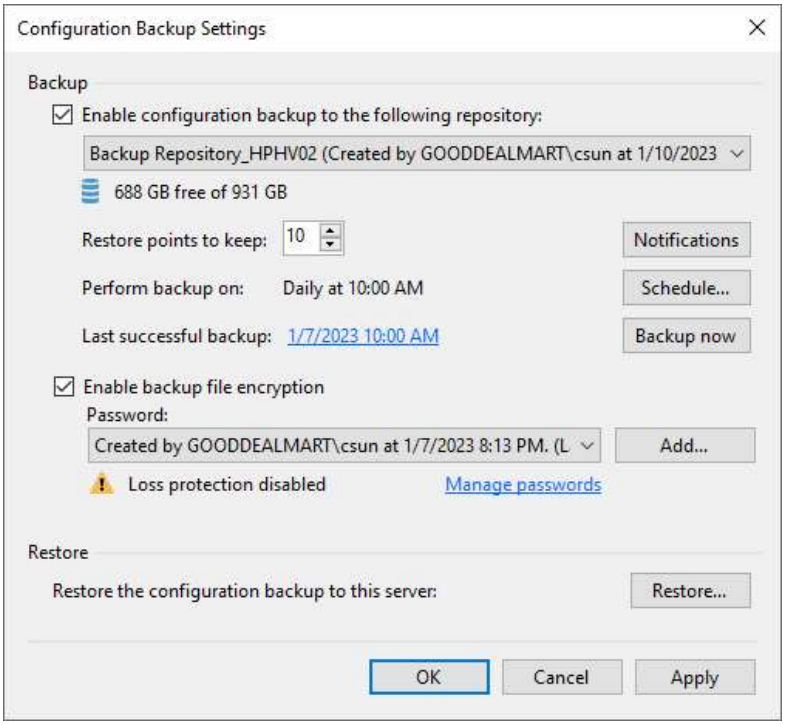
18. Select Enable backup file encryption on the Configuration Backup Settings page.
19. Select a password from the Password drop-down list or click Add to create a password.
20. Click OK.



Configure Best Practices Analyzer

Veeam Backup & Replication includes a built-in tool that checks your backup server configuration to ensure it adheres to the Microsoft Windows Server operating system and Veeam backup infrastructure components security best practices.
The tool Best Practices Analyzer examines the following configuration parameters.

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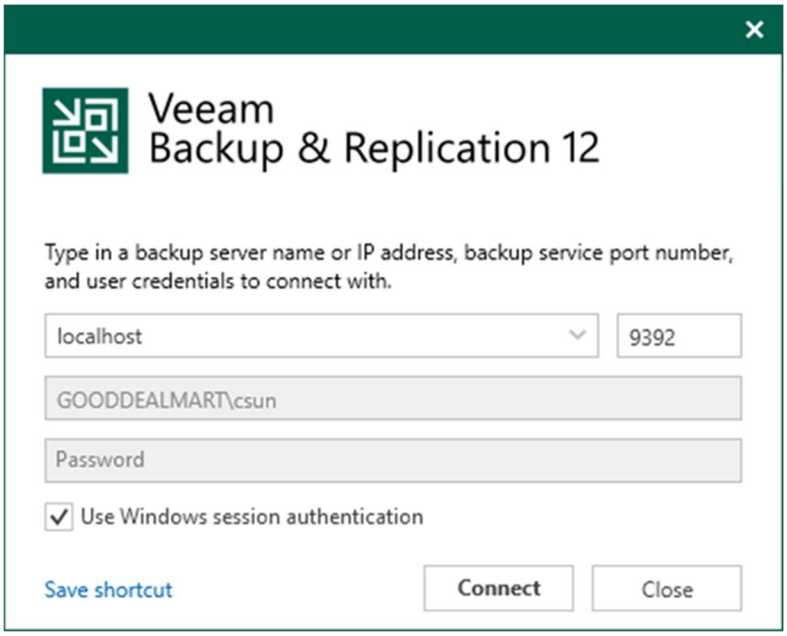
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

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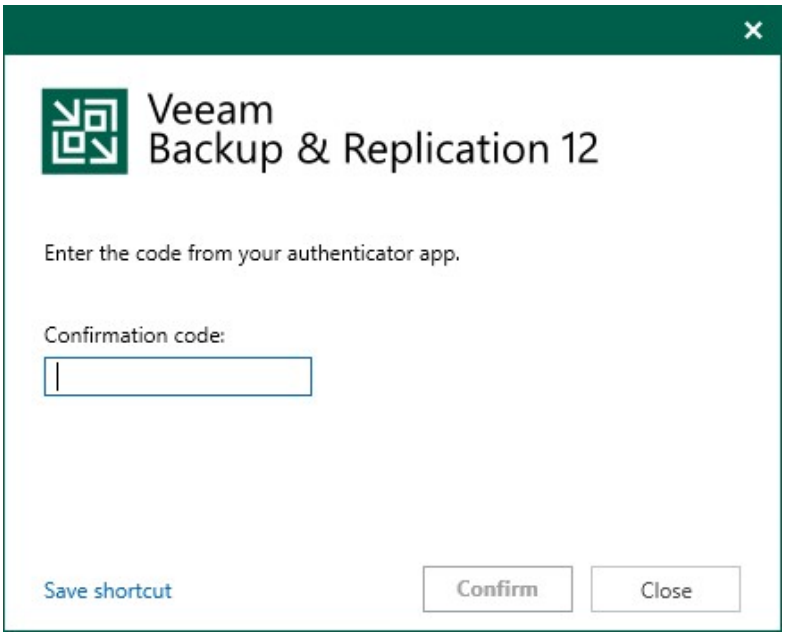
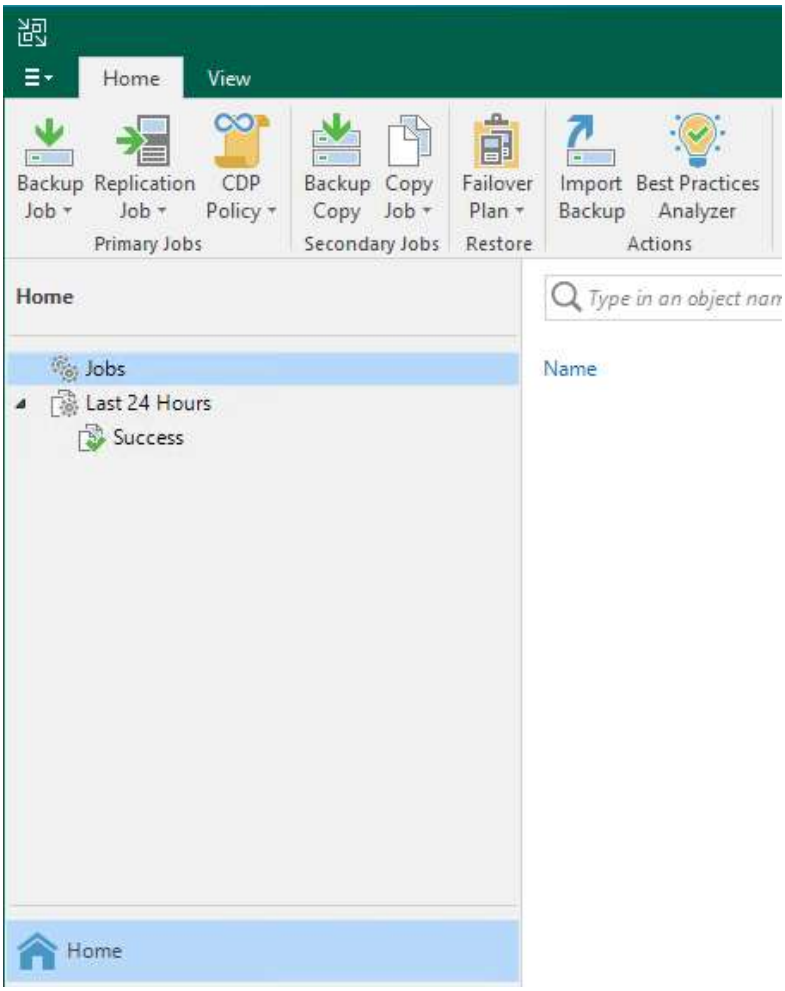
3. Enter the MFA Confirmation code and click Confirm.



4. Select the Best Practices Analyzer on the Home page.



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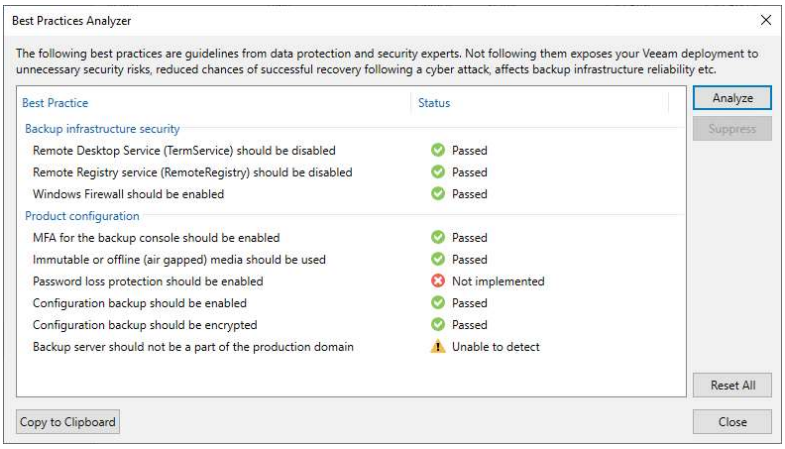
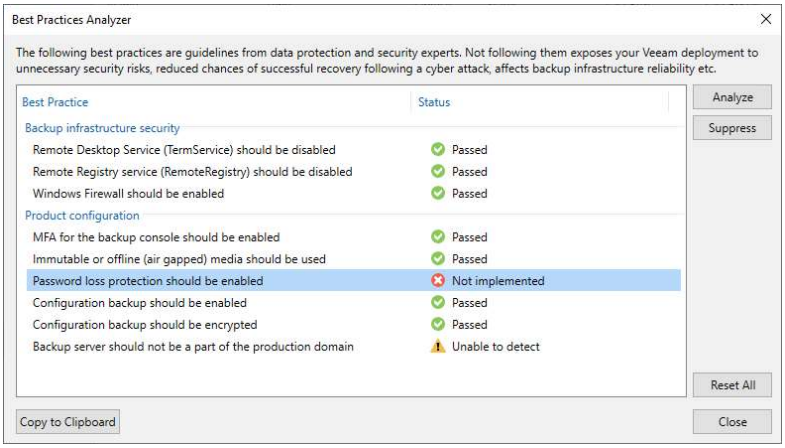
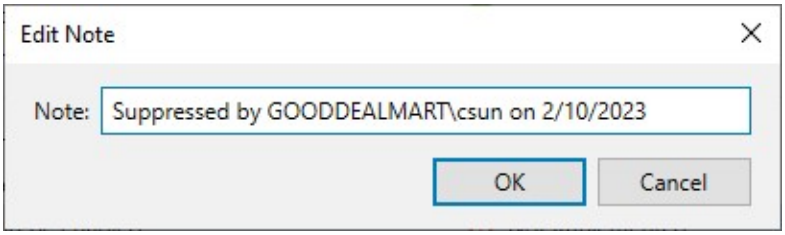
5. On the Best Practices Analyzer page, click Analyze after setting up the parameters as recommended and ensure that the status is changed to Passed.



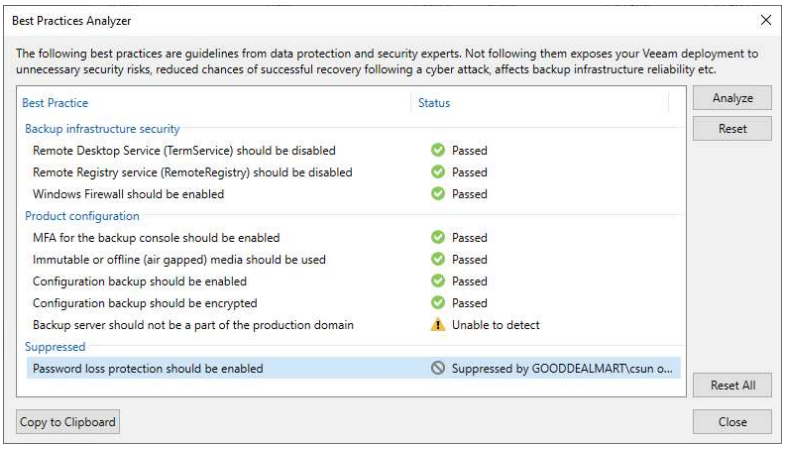
6. Select the parameter and click Suppress to skip the security check.



7. Comment briefly on the Note field on the Edit Note page for future reference, and click OK.



8. Click Close on the Best Practices Analyzer page.



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Chapter 4

Backup

Veeam Backup is a software application for data protection and disaster recovery in virtualized environments. It provides backup, recovery, replication, and continuous data protection for VMware vSphere and Microsoft Hyper-V virtual machines, physical servers, and cloud-based workloads.

Veeam Backup & Replication creates VM image-level backups. Image-level backups can be used for various restore scenarios, such as Instant Recovery, restoring full VM, recovery VM file, recovery file-level, etc.

Veeam Backup offers several features that help protect data, including:

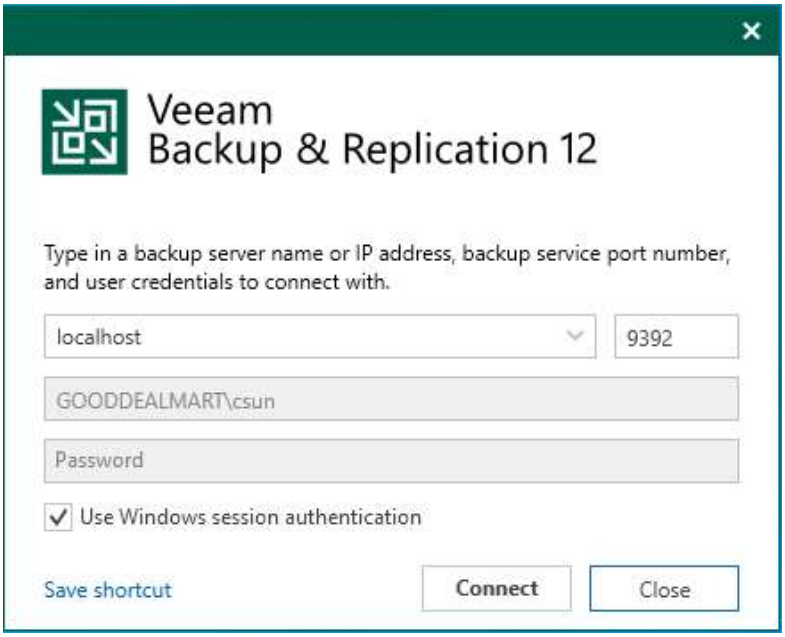
- Backup and replication: Veeam Backup provides backup and replication of virtual machines, physical servers, and cloud workloads. Backups can be scheduled, and Veeam Backup offers several backup methods, including incremental and full backups.
- Recovery: Veeam Backup allows quick and easy recovery of virtual machines, files, and application items, including granular-level recovery for emails and SharePoint items.
- Monitoring and reporting: Veeam Backup provides monitoring and reporting of backup and replication jobs, allowing administrators to identify issues and ensure backups are running as expected quickly.
- Cloud integration: Veeam Backup integrates with several cloud providers, including AWS, Microsoft Azure, and Google Cloud Platform, allowing backups to be stored in the cloud.

Veeam Backup is a powerful, flexible data protection and disaster recovery solution in virtualized environments.

Create a Backup job to backup the specified VMs

To backup VMs, you must first create a backup job. The backup job specifies how, where, and when VM data should be backed up. A single job can process one or more virtual machines. Jobs can be started by hand or scheduled for a specific time.

This procedure creates a backup job to back up the production VMs specified.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

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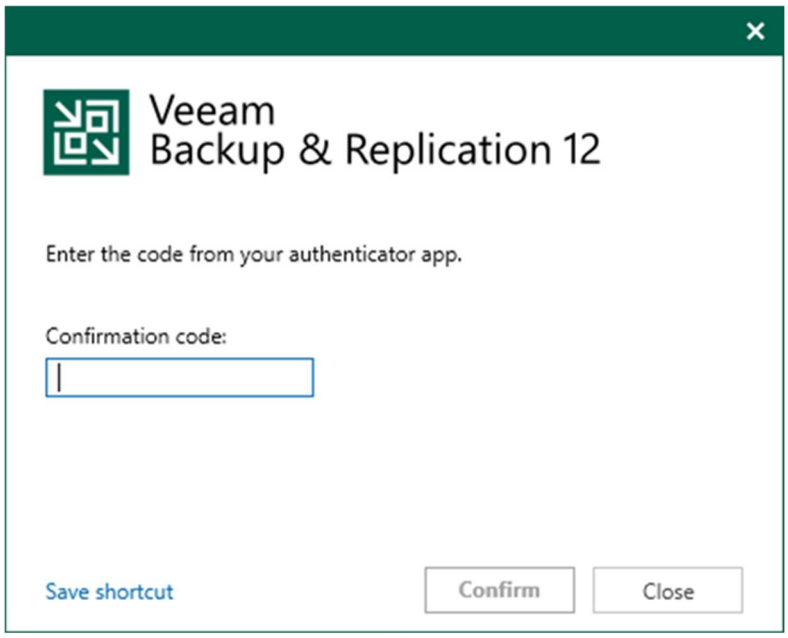
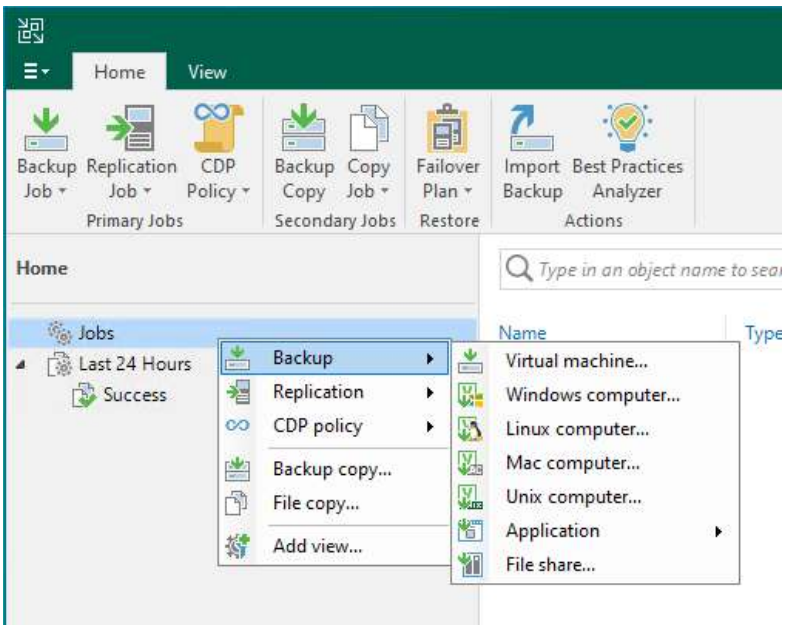
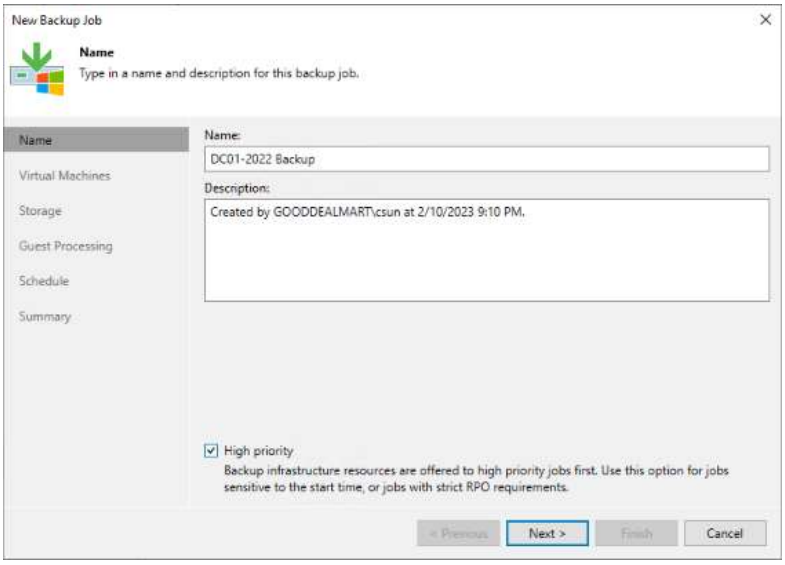
3. Enter the MFA Confirmation code and click Confirm.



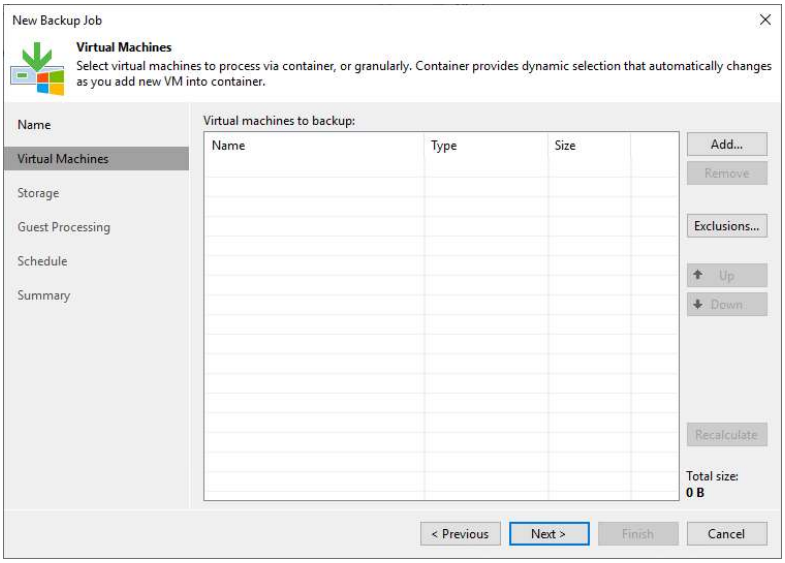
4. Select Jobs on the Home page and right-click Jobs.
5. Select Backup and click Virtual machine.



6. On the Name page, enter a name for the backup job in the Name field.
7. Give a brief description in the Description field for the future.
8. Select the High priority checkbox if you want this job to allocate resources in the first place.
9. Click Next.



10. Click Add on the Virtual Machines page.



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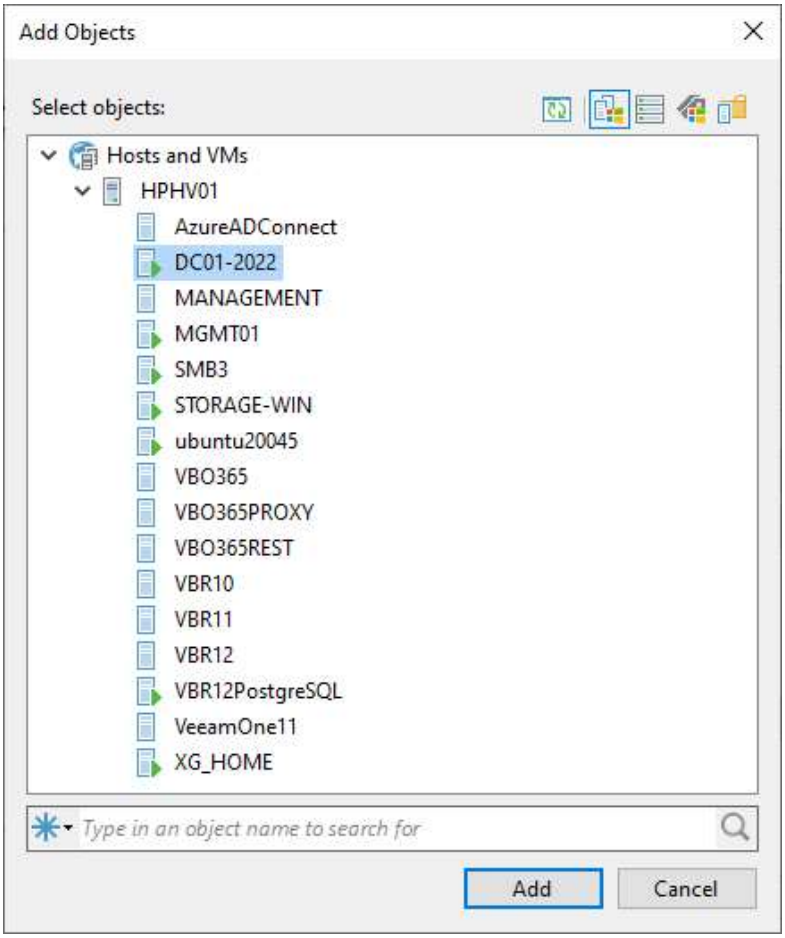
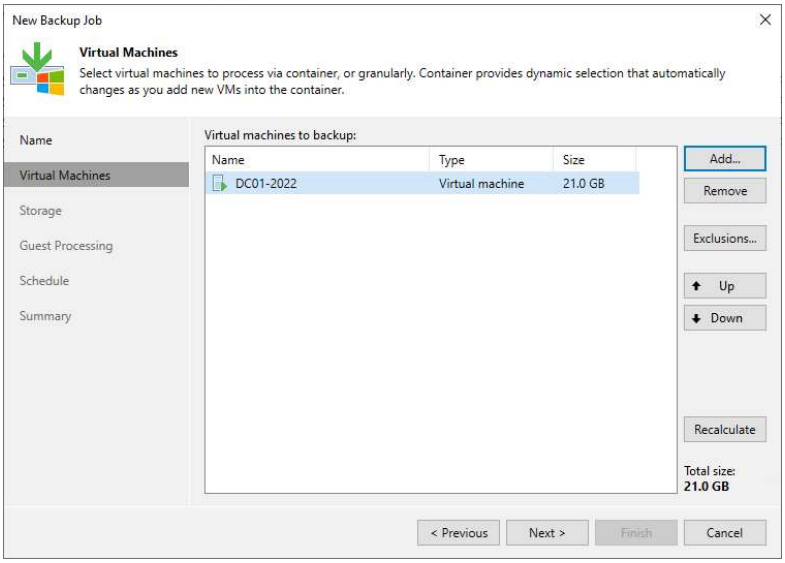
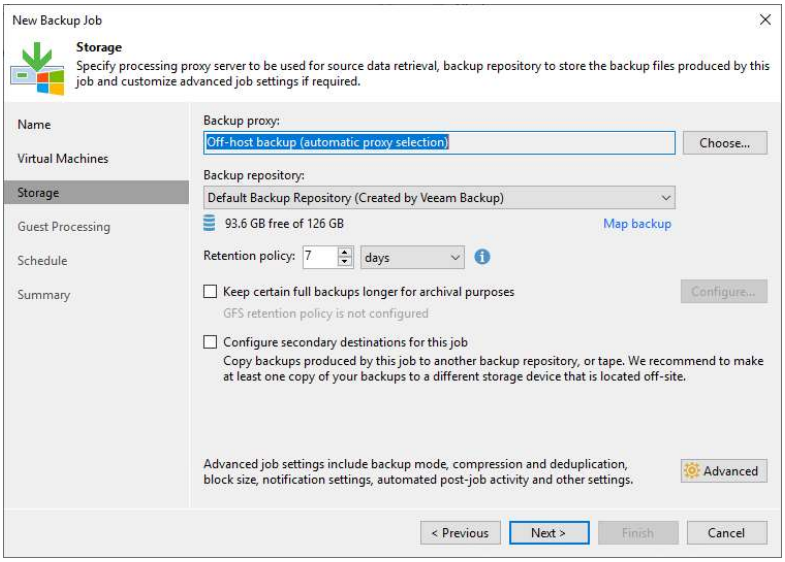
11. Select the VM from the Select objects list on the Add Objects page and click Add.
12. If you have multiple VMS that needs to back up in the same backup job, you can repeat the step to add them.



13. Click Next on the Virtual Machines page.



14. On the Storage page, click Choose to select a backup proxy if you don't want to use the default Off-host backup (automatic proxy selection) setting.



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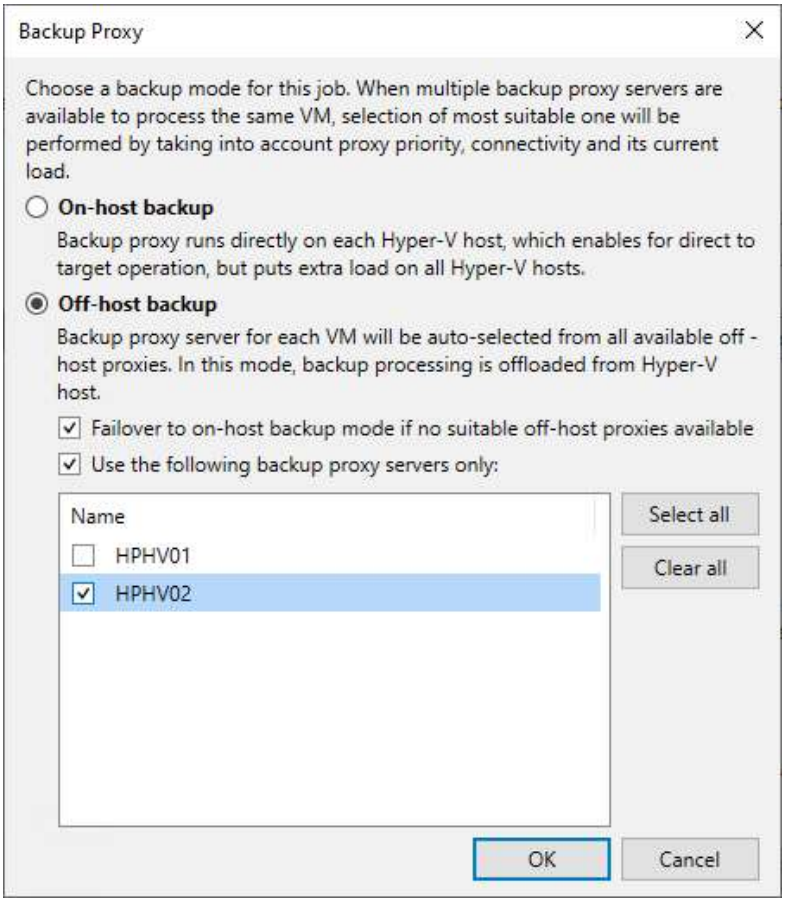
15. On the Backup Proxy page, if you select On-host backup mode, the source Microsoft HyperV host will serve as both the source host and the backup proxy. In this mode, Veeam Data Mover runs directly on the source host, which speeds up data retrieval but places additional strain on the host.



16. If you select Off-host backup mode, Veeam Data Mover will run on a dedicated off-host backup proxy. All backup processing operations from the source host are routed to the off-host backup proxy in this model.

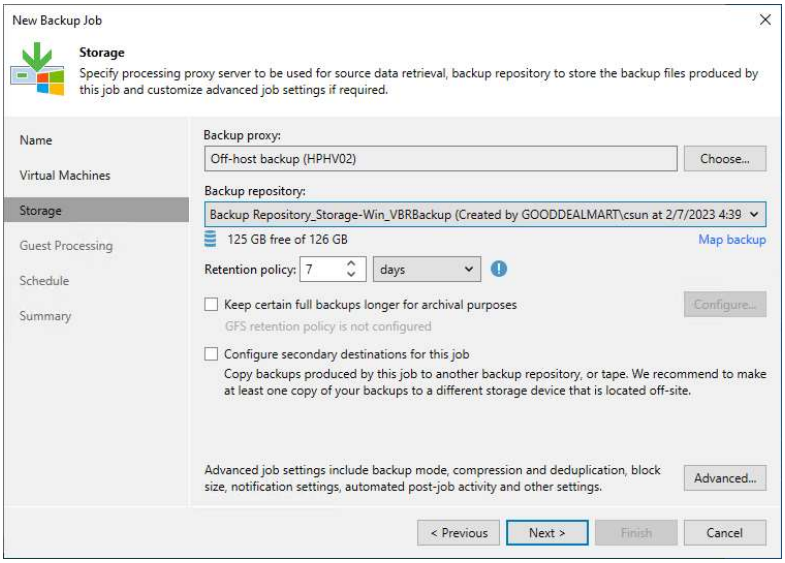
17. If the off-host backup mode is selected for the job, but no off-host backup proxies are available when the job begins, Veeam Backup & Replication will transition to on-host backup mode.

18. You unselect the Failover to on-host backup mode if no suitable off-host

proxies are available in the checkbox. Still, the job will fail to start if off-host backup proxies are unavailable or configured properly.

19. Click OK.

20. Select the backup repository from the Backup repository drop-down list where the created backup files must be saved.



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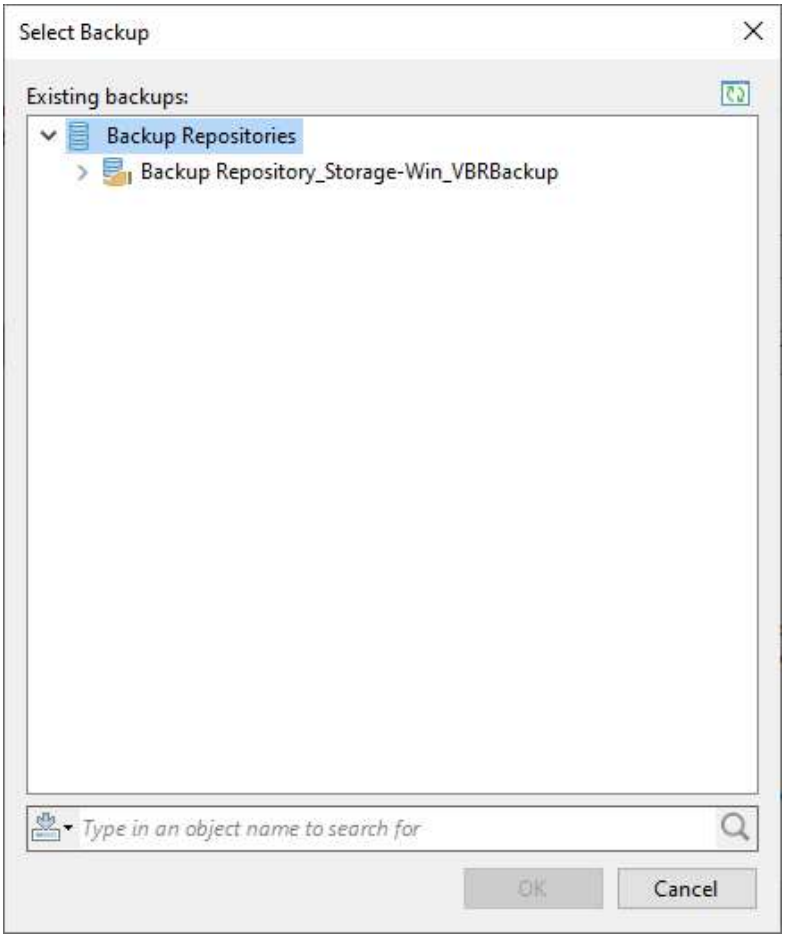
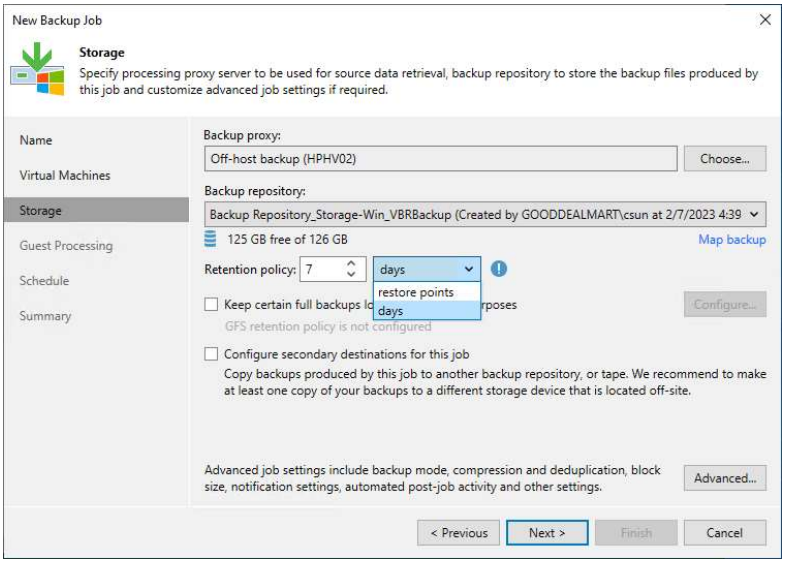
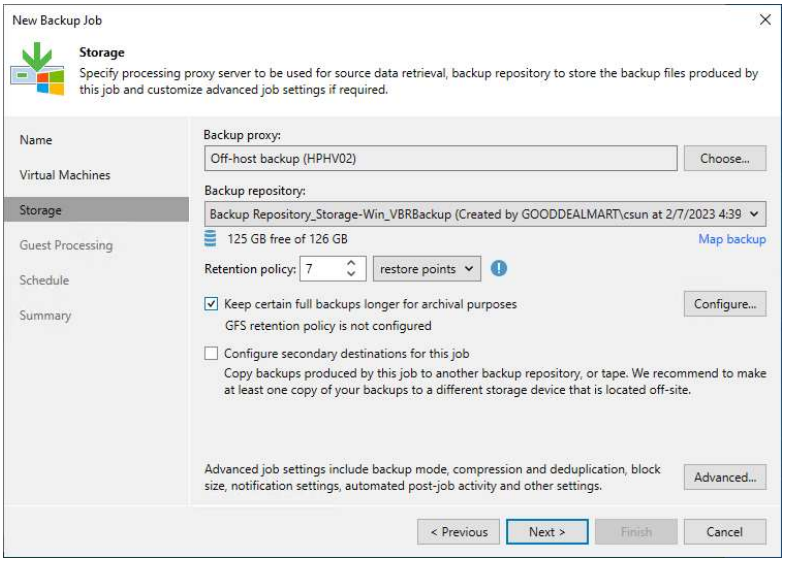
21. Click Map backup is helpful if you have relocated backup files to a new backup repository and want to point the job to existing backups in this new backup repository. Backup job mapping can also be used if the configuration database becomes corrupt and you need to reconfigure backup jobs.



22. Set the retention policy settings for restore points in the Retention Policy field.
23. Select days or restore points from the drop-down list.



24. You can configure GFS retention policy settings for the backup job to ignore the short-term retention policy for some full backups and store them for long-term archiving.
25. Select the Keep certain full backups for longer for archival purposes. Then, if you need it, click Configure.



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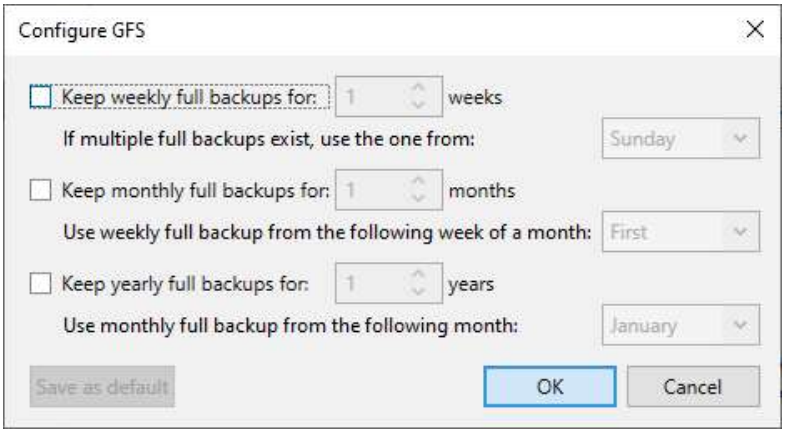
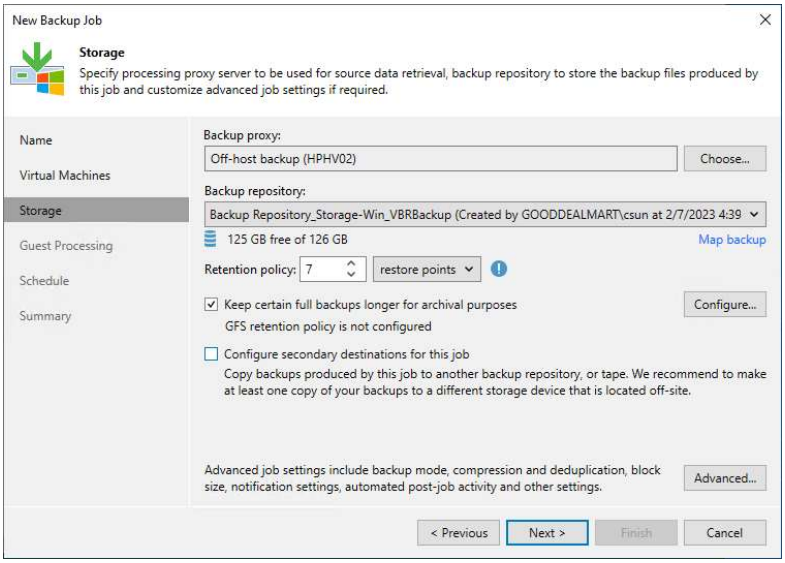
26. Select the Keep weekly full backups for check box, and specify the number of weeks you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
27. Select the Keep monthly full backups for check box, and specify the months you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
28. Select the Keep yearly full backups for check box, and specify the years you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
29. Click OK.



30. On the Storage page, click Advanced.



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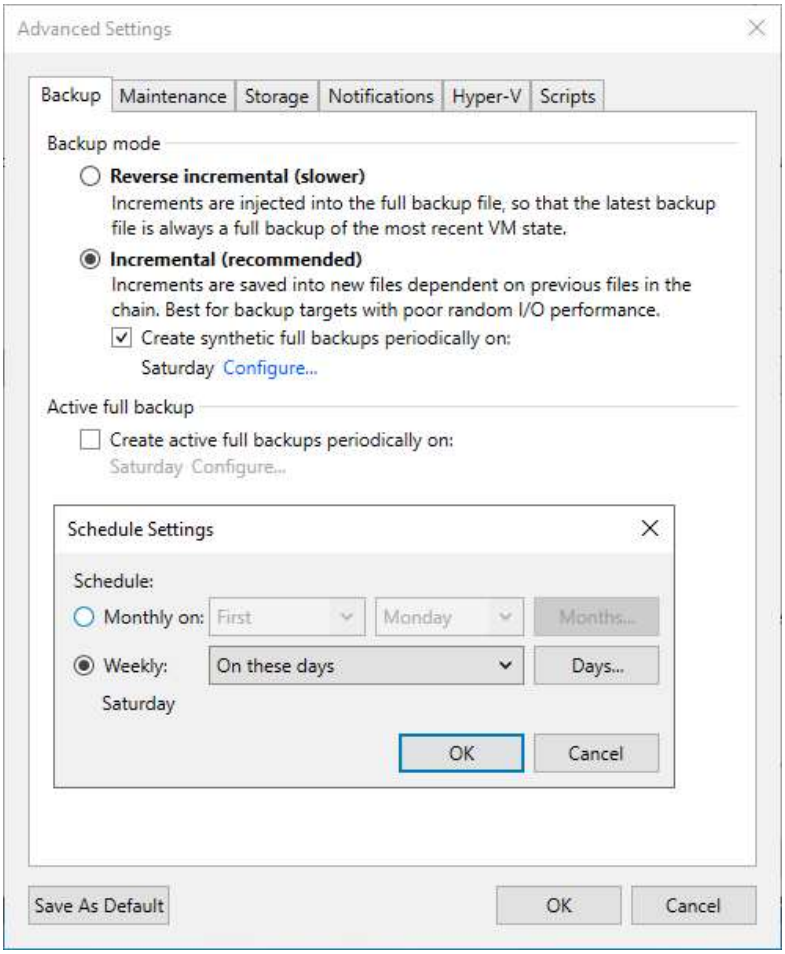
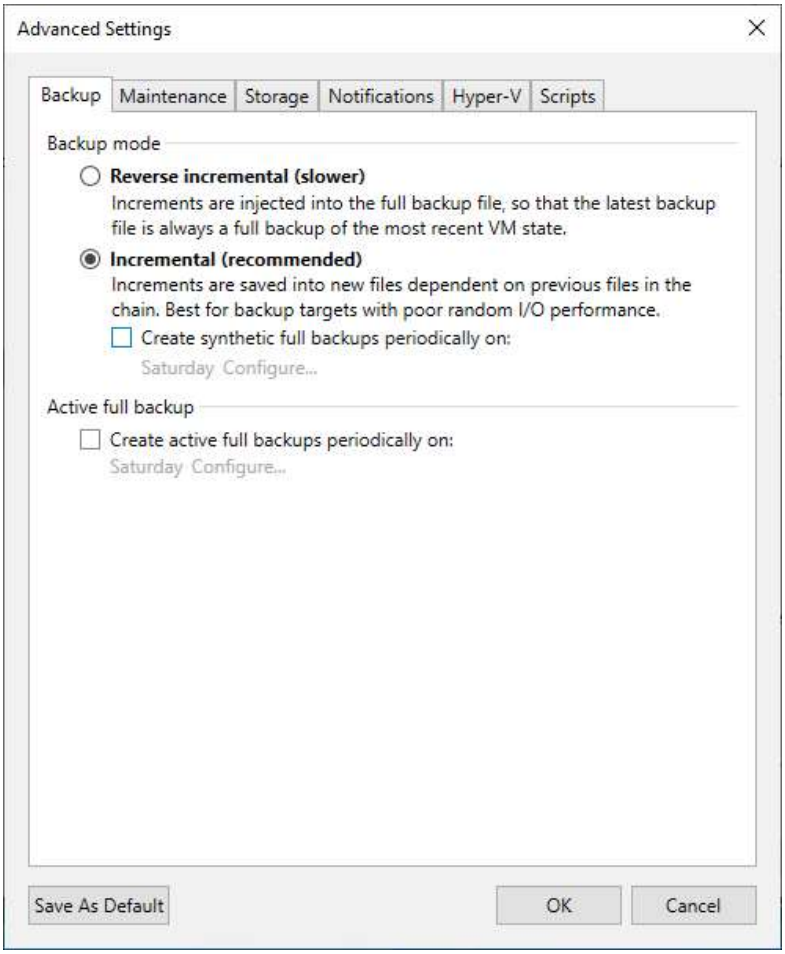
31. On the Backup page, select Incremental (recommended).
32. Select create synthetic full backups periodically or active full backups periodically checkbox.
33. Click Configure to schedule full backups periodically and click OK.



34. Select Incremental and disable synthetic full or active full backups to create a forever forward incremental backup chain if needed.



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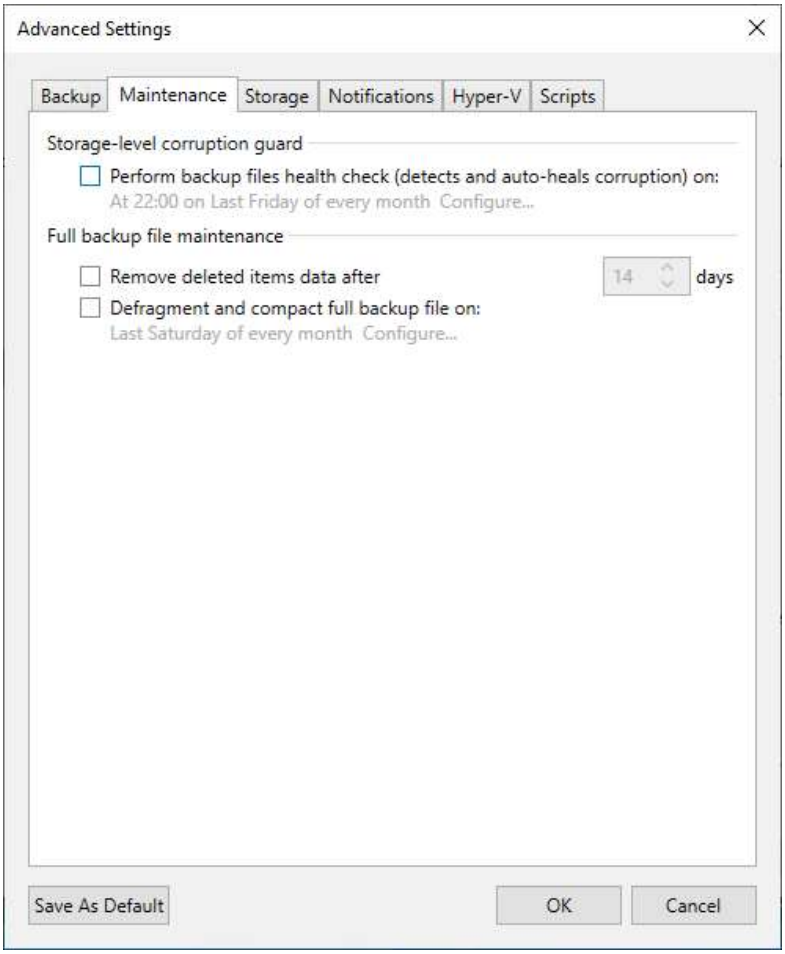
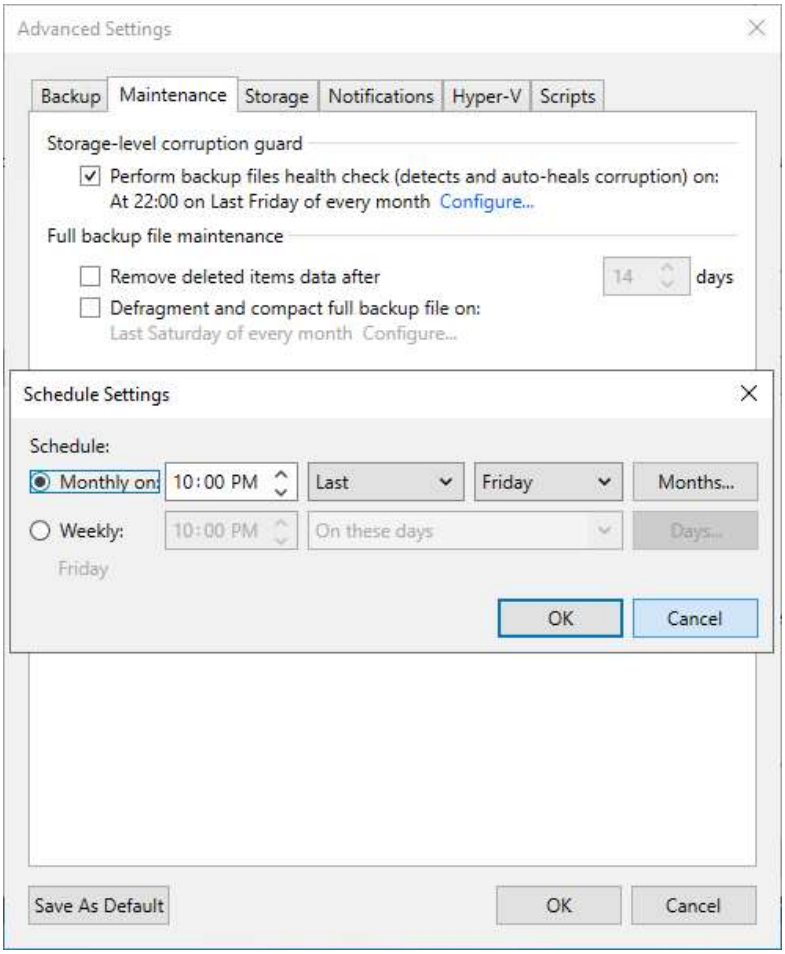
35. On the Advanced Settings, select Maintenance.



36. To regularly perform a health check on the backup chain's most recent restore point, select the Perform backup files health check (detects and auto-heals corruption) checkbox in the Storage-level corruption guard section.
37. Click Configure to set a timetable for the health check.



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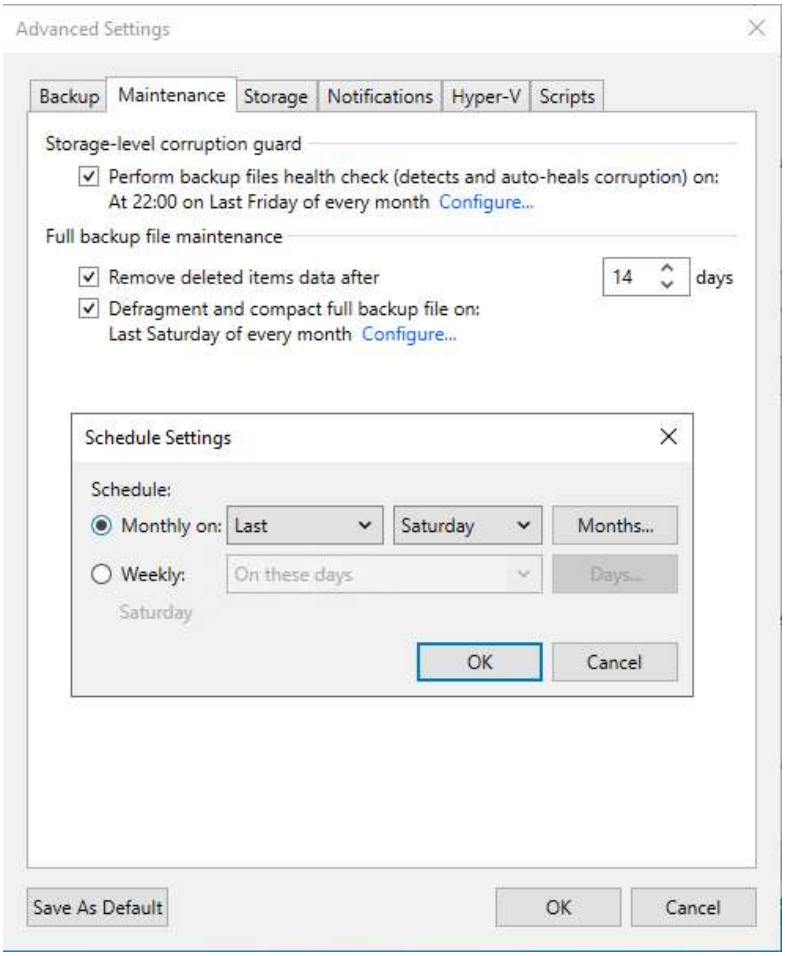
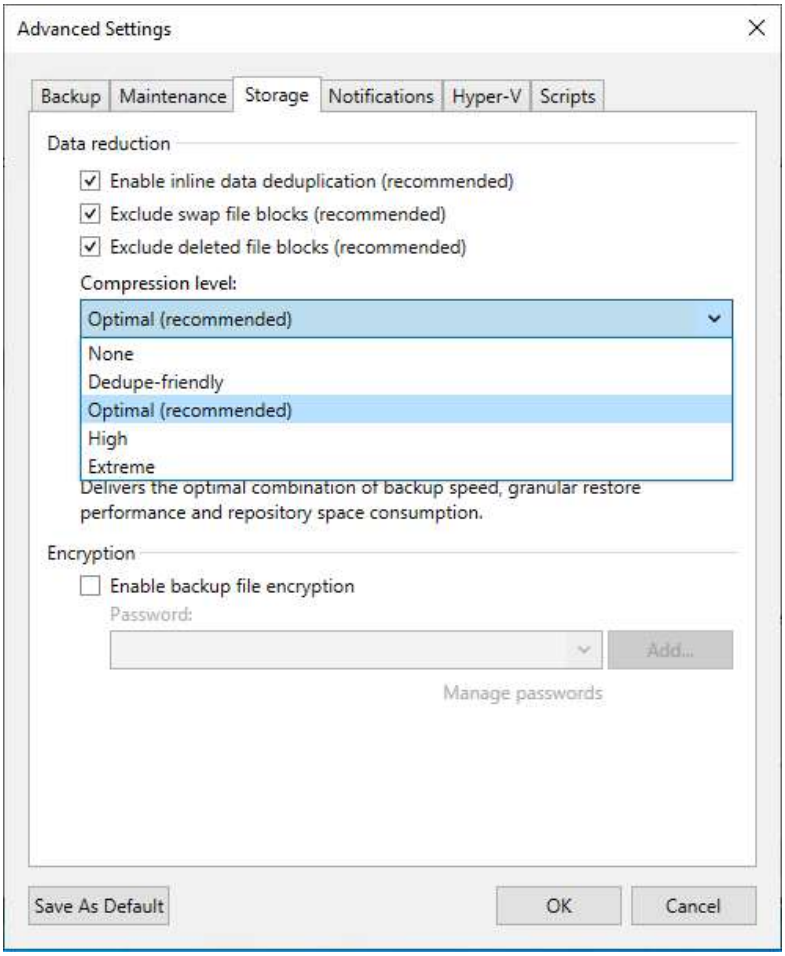
38. Select the Remove deleted items data after the checkbox and enter the few days you want backup data for deleted VMs to be kept.
39. Select the Defragment and compact full backup file checkbox and click Configure.
40. Set the schedule for the compact operation to compact a full backup periodically.

Note:

GFS retention is not compatible with defragment and compact functionality.



41. On Advanced Settings, select Storage.
42. Select the Enable inline data deduplication (recommended) checkbox.
43. Select the Exclude swap file blocks (recommended) checkbox.
44. Select the Exclude deleted file blocks (recommended) checkbox.
45. Select the compression level for the backup from the drop-down list.



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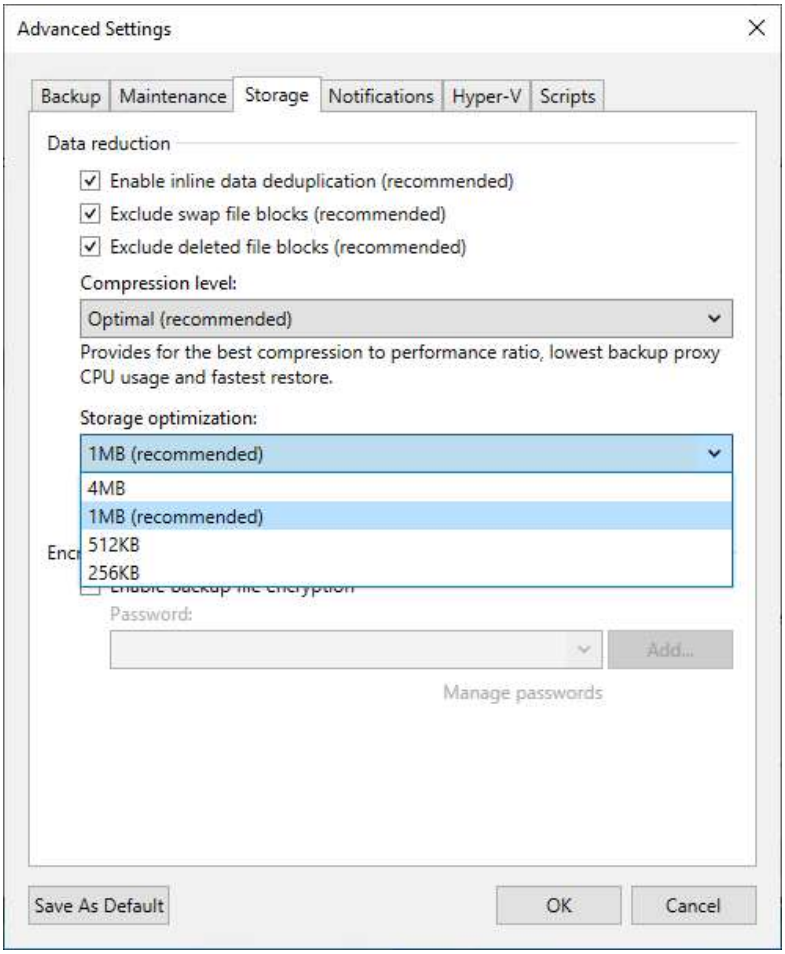
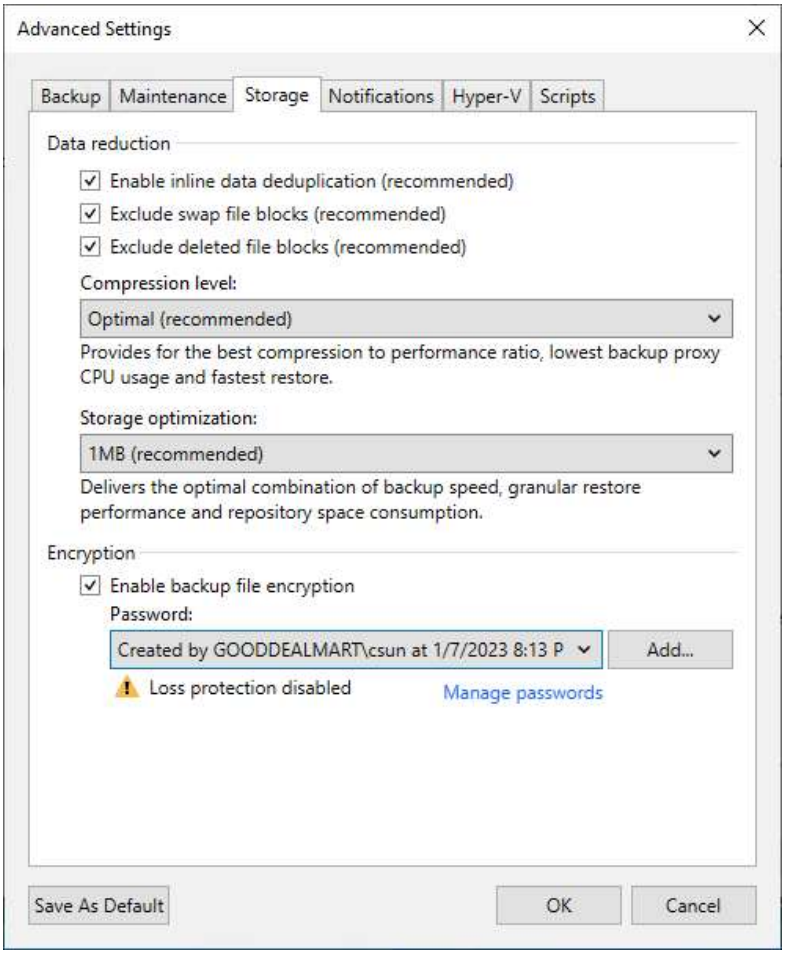
46. Select the Storage optimization for the backup from the drop-down list.



47. Select the Enable backup file encryption checkbox to encrypt the content of backup files.
48. Select a password from the drop-down list. Then, if you still need to do, click Add or use the Manage passwords link to create a new password.



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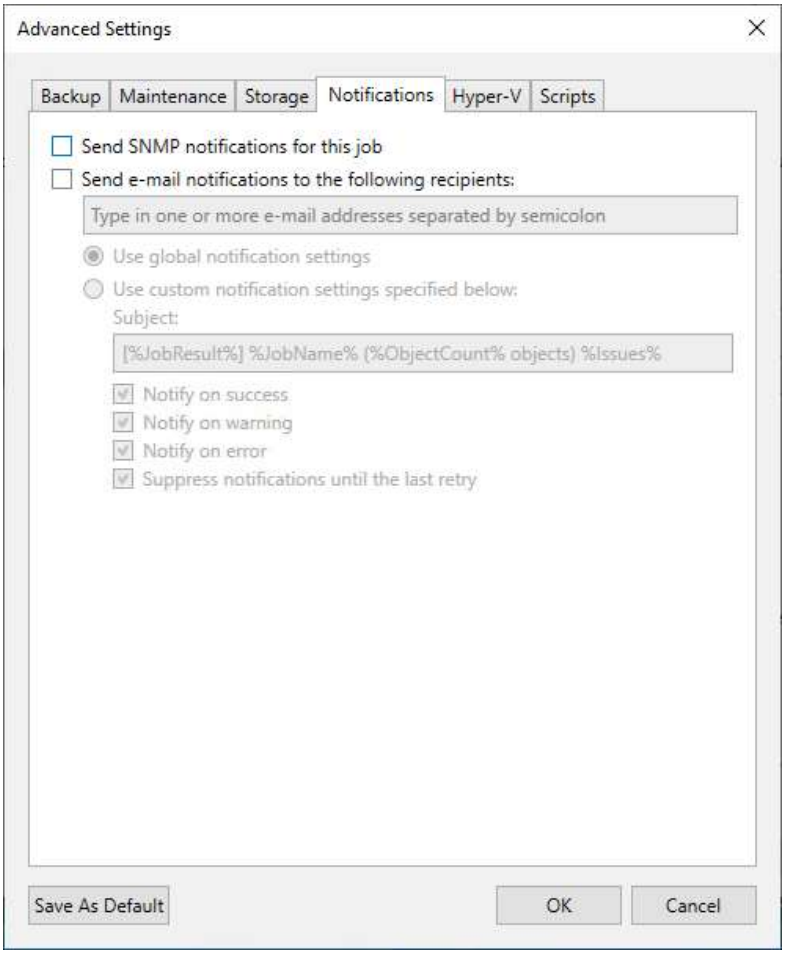
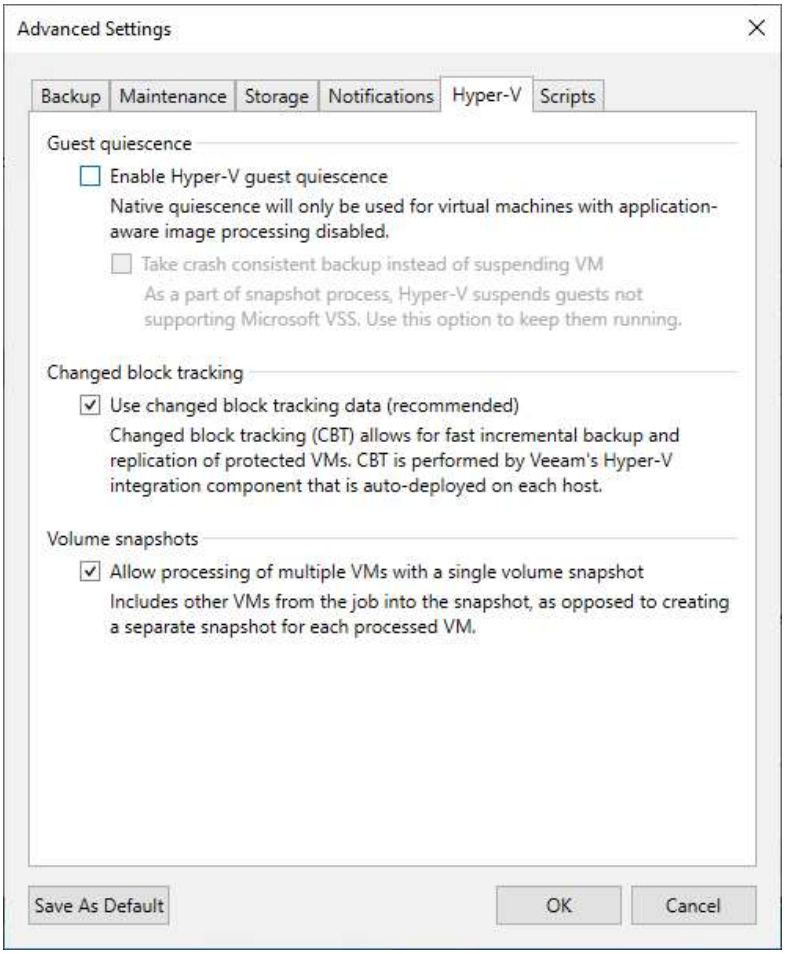
49. On the Advanced Settings, select Notifications.
50. Keep the default settings.



51. On the Advanced Settings, select Hyper-V.
52. Keep the default settings.



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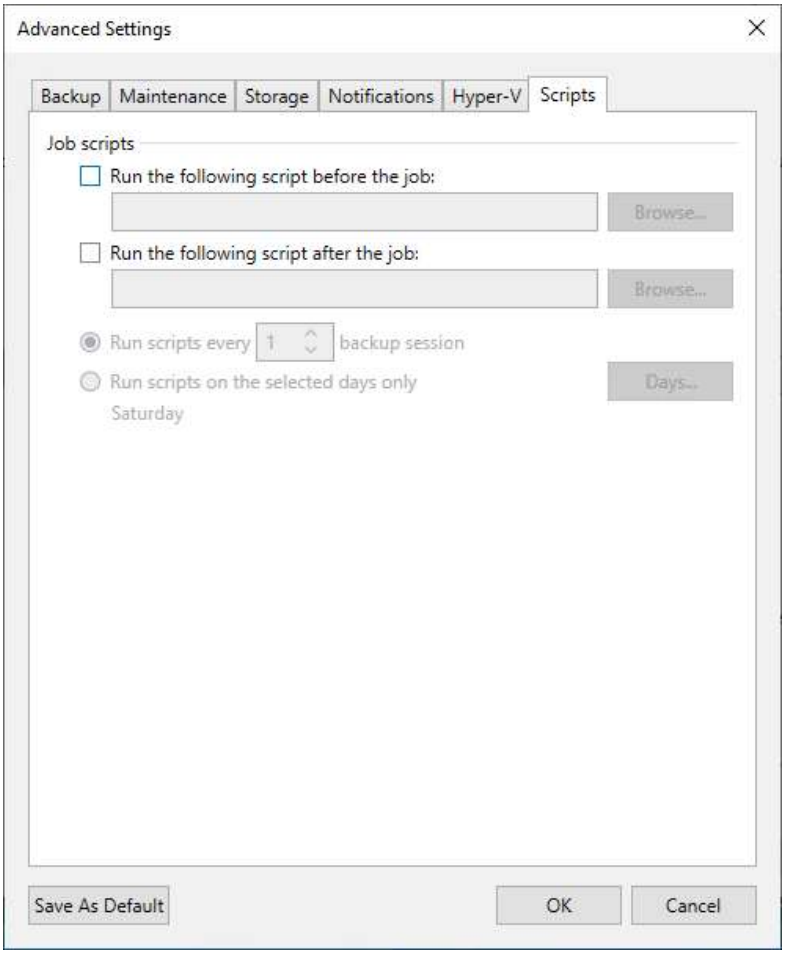
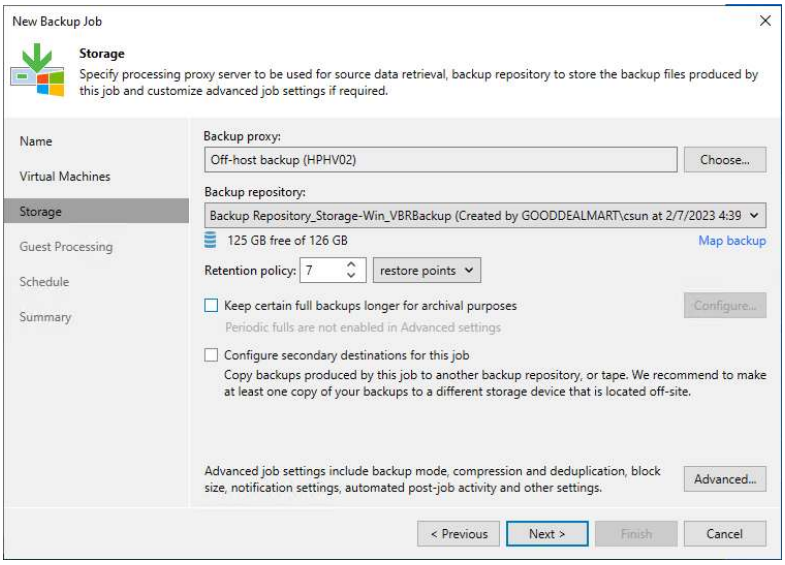
53. On the Advanced Settings page, click Scripts and keep the default settings.
54. Click OK.

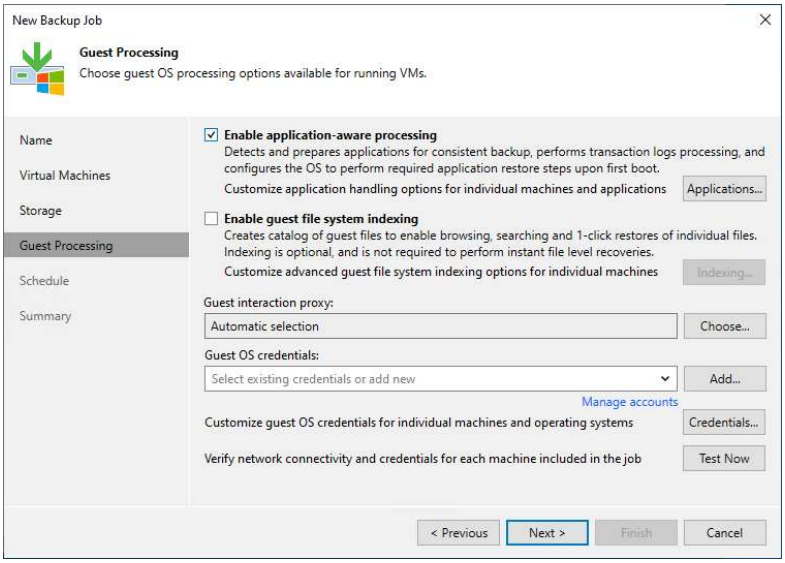


55. On the Storage page, click Next.



56. When you add VMs running VSS-aware applications to the backup job, you can enable application-aware processing to create a transactionally consistent backup. The transactionally consistent backup ensures that applications on VMs can be recovered without data loss.

57. Select the Enable application-aware processing checkbox on the Guest Processing page and click Applications.



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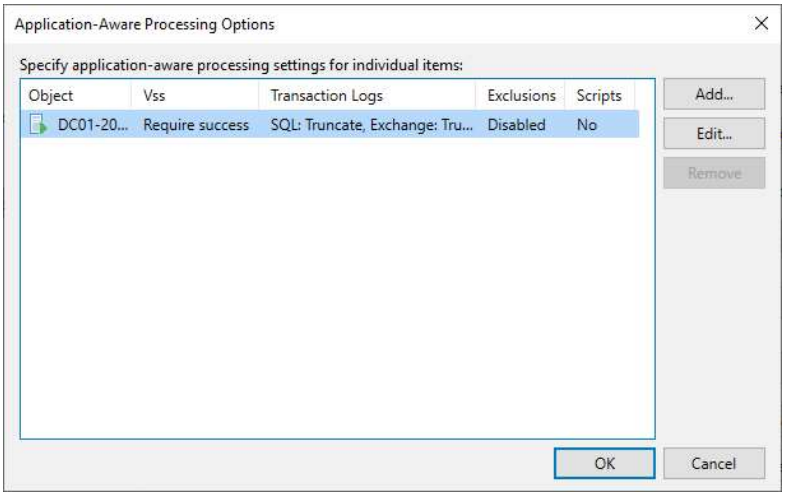
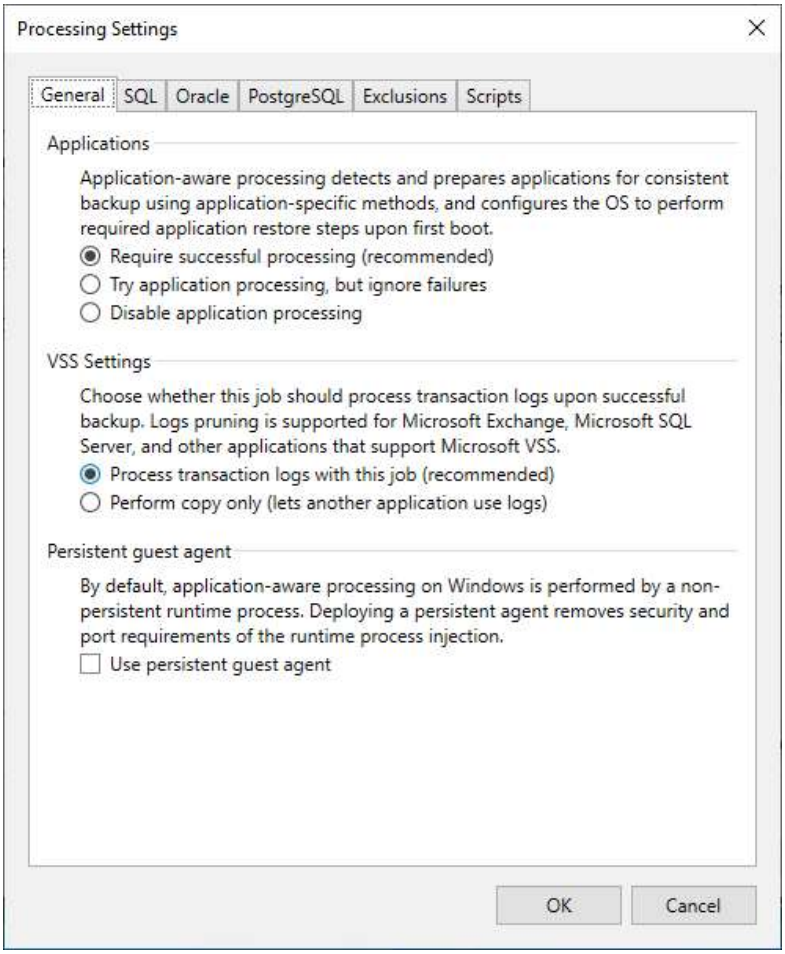
58. On the Application-Aware Processing Options page, select the VM and click Edit.



59. On the Processing Settings, click General.
60. Keep the default settings.



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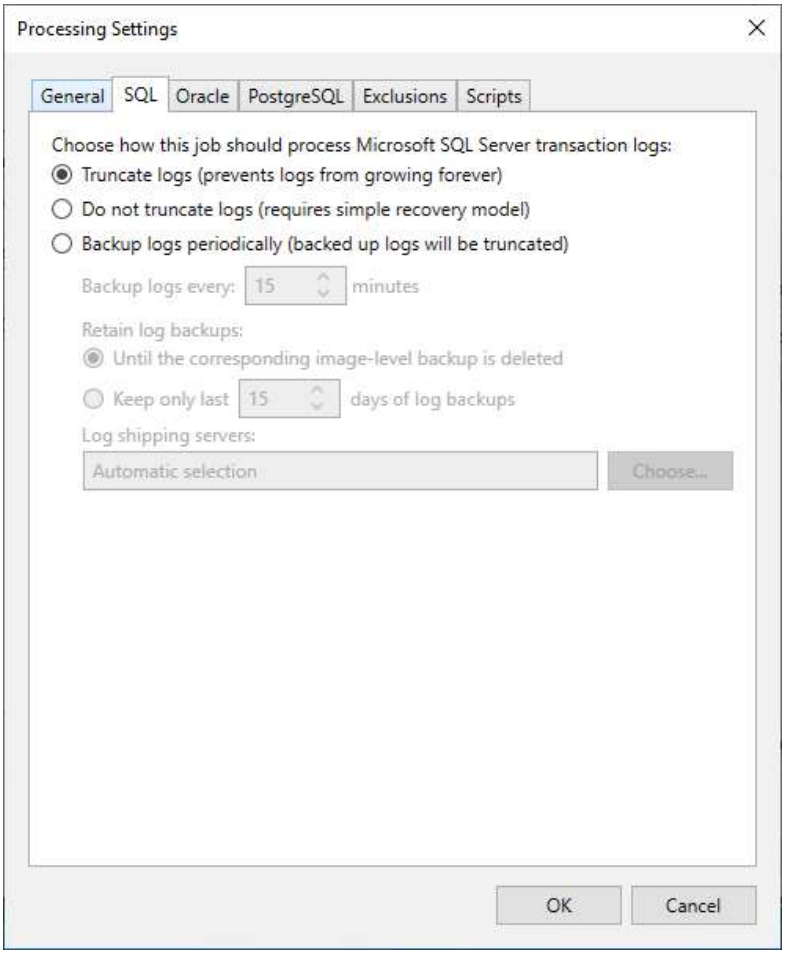
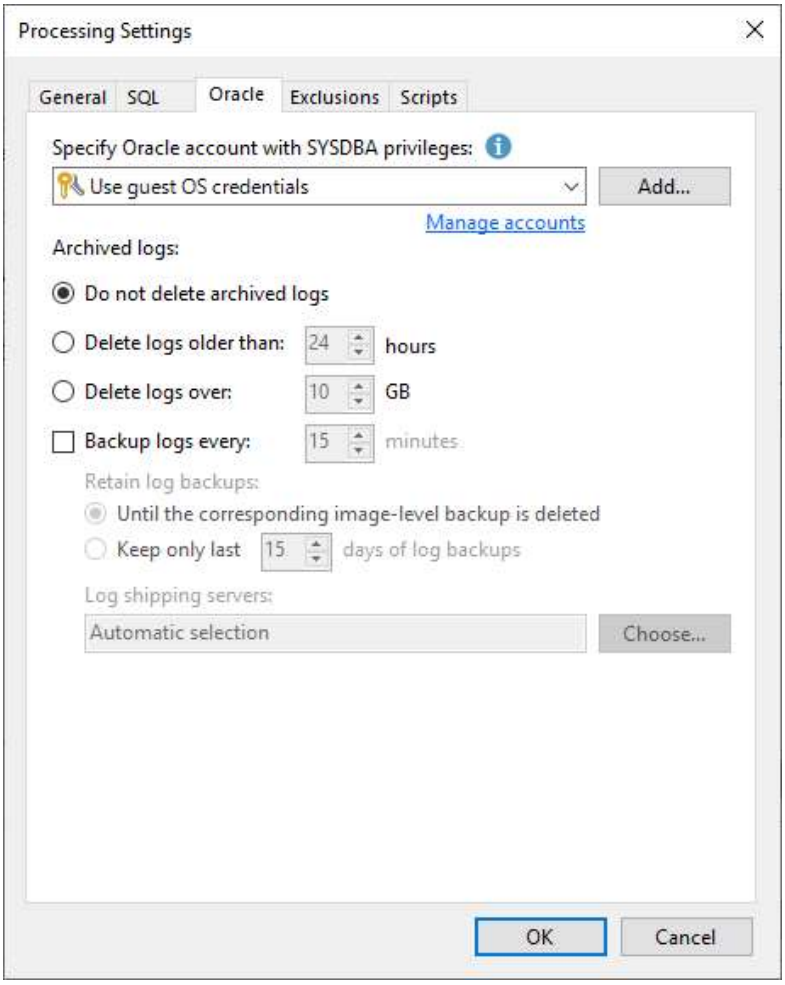
61. On the Processing Settings page, click SQL if the VM is a Microsoft SQL Server VM.
62. Select Truncate logs (Prevents logs from growing forever) to truncate transaction logs after a successful backup.



63. On the Processing Settings page, click Oracle if the VM is an Oracle Server.
64. Select a user account from the drop-down list.
65. Select Do not delete archived logs checkbox.



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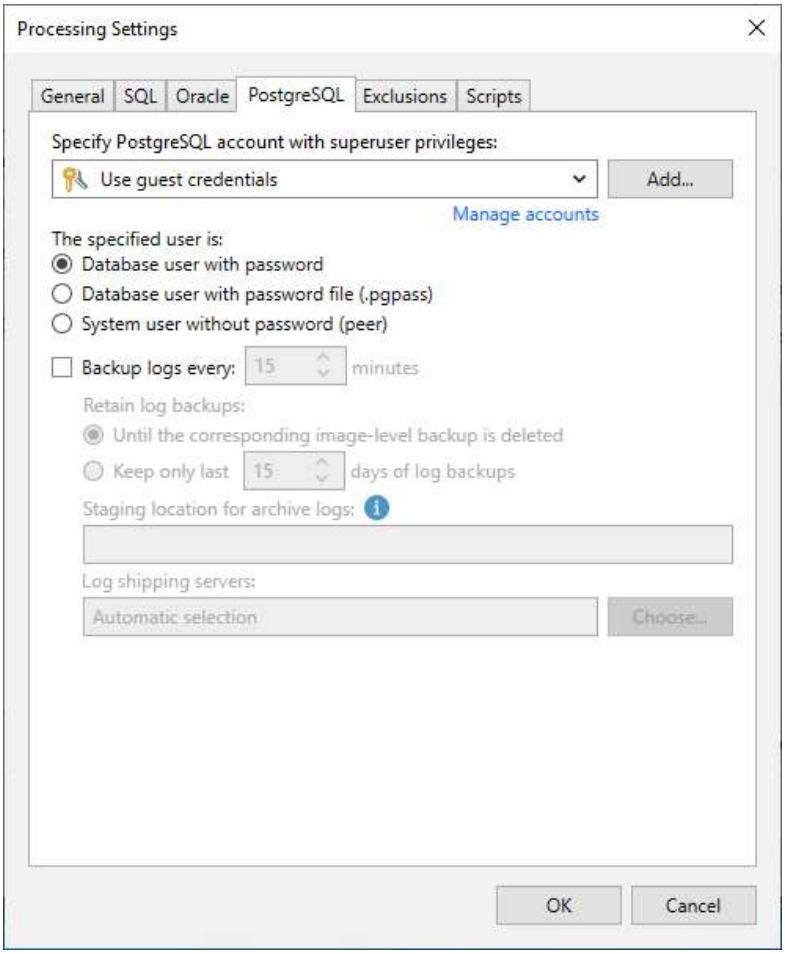
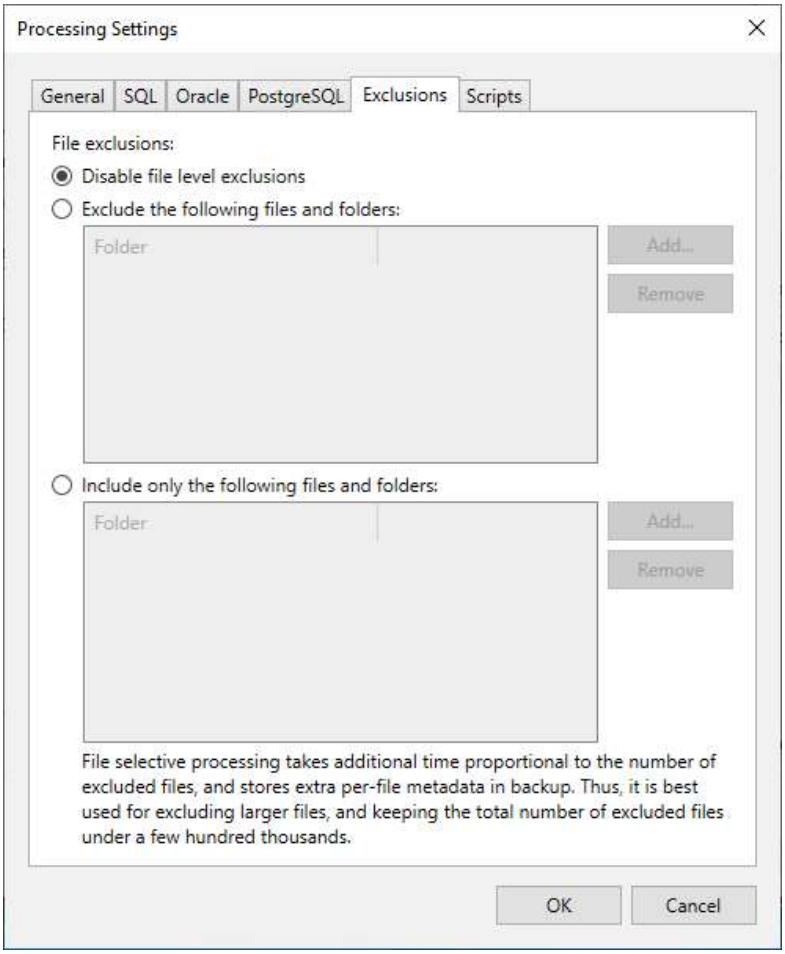
66. On the Processing Settings page, click PostgreSQL if the VM is a PostgreSQL Server VM.
67. Select a user account from the drop-down list.
68. Select Database user with password checkbox.



69. On the Processing Settings page, click Exclusions and keep the default settings.



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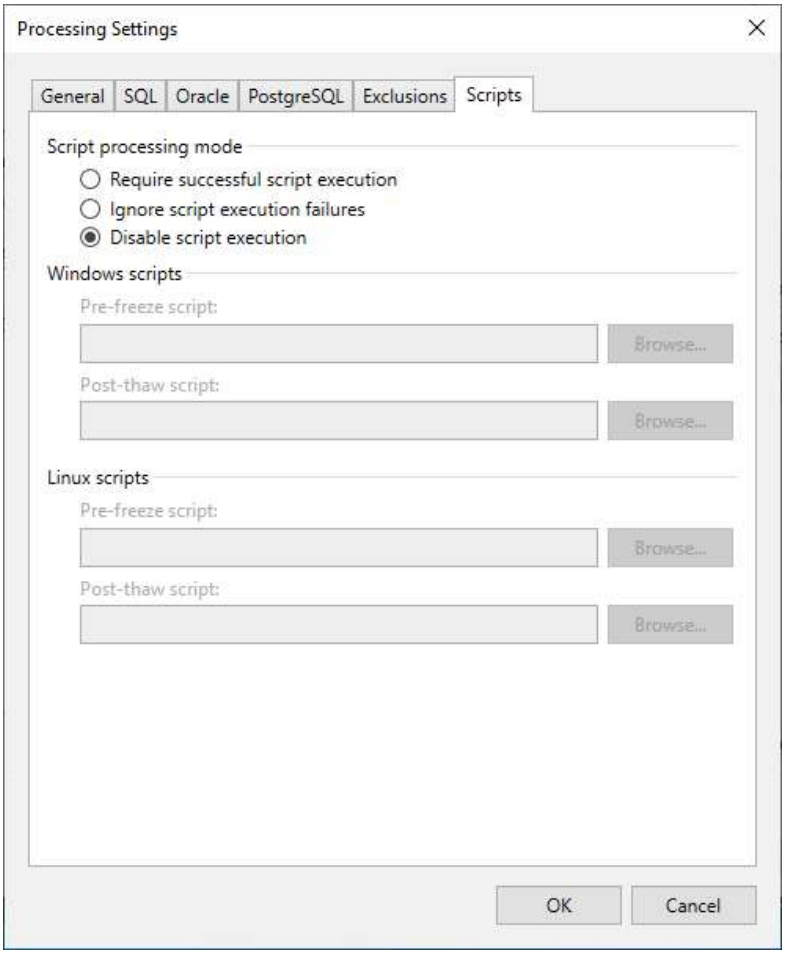
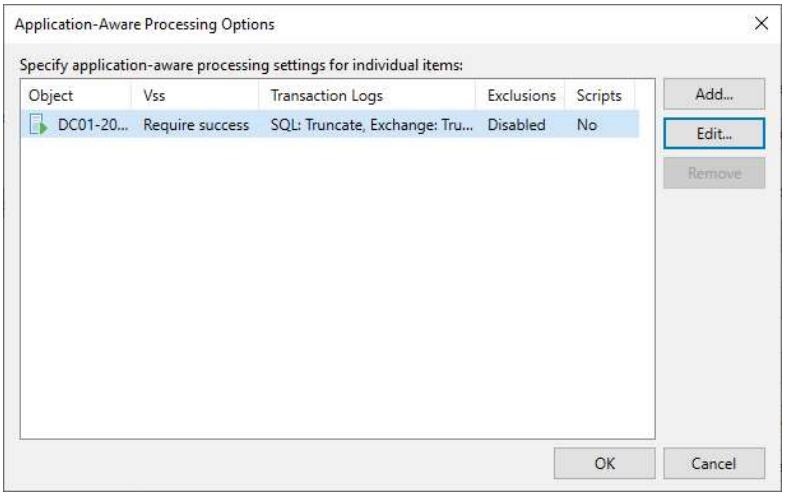
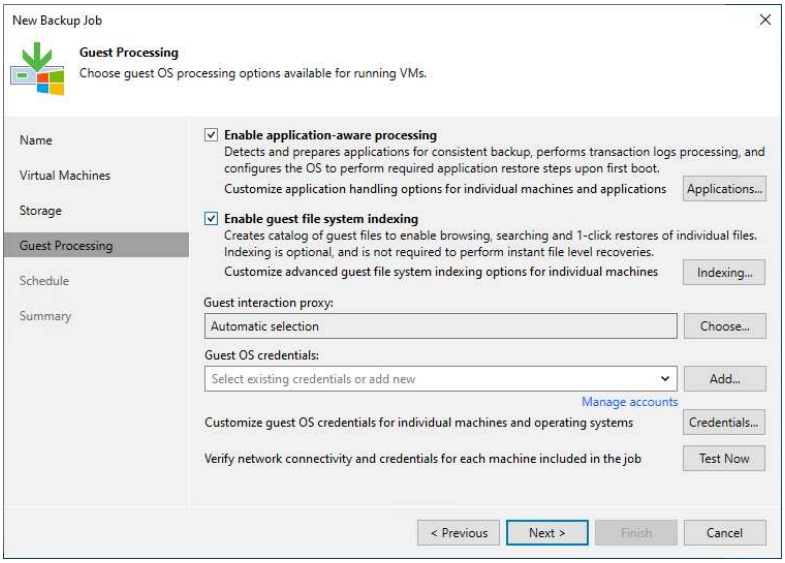
70. On the Processing Settings page, click Scripts and keep the default settings.
71. Click OK.



72. On the Application-Aware Processing Options page, click OK.



73. Select the Enable guest file system indexing checkbox and click Indexing.



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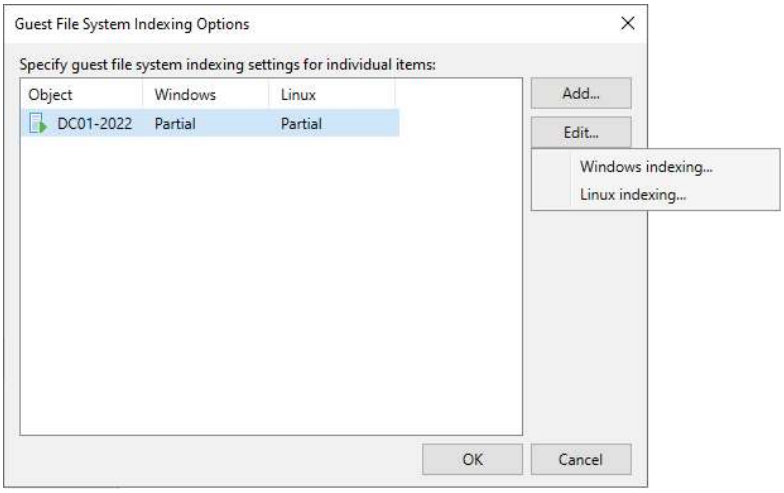
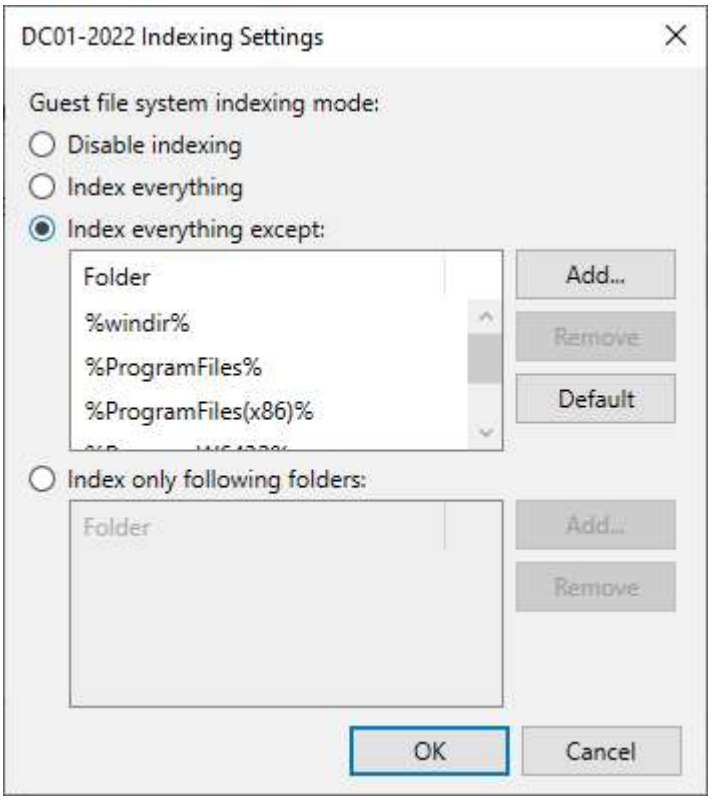
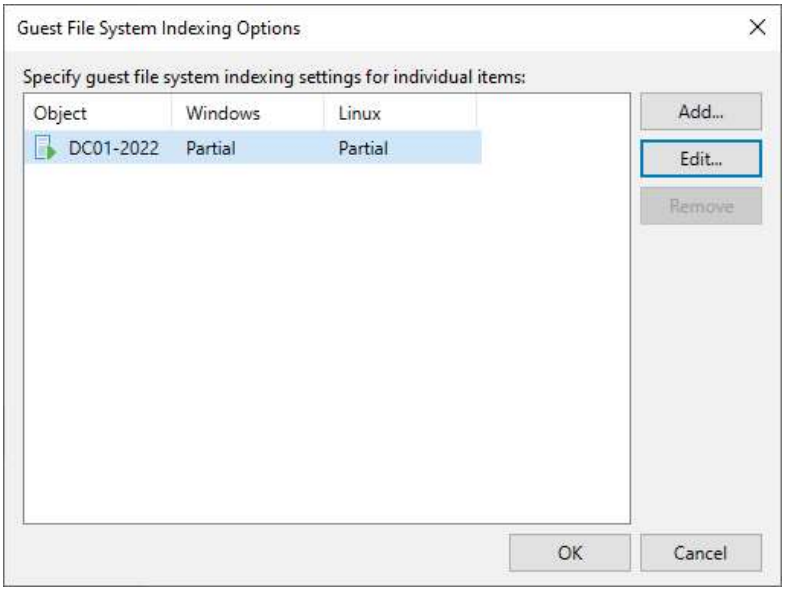
74. On the Guest File System Indexing Options page, select the VM, click Edit and select Windows indexing.



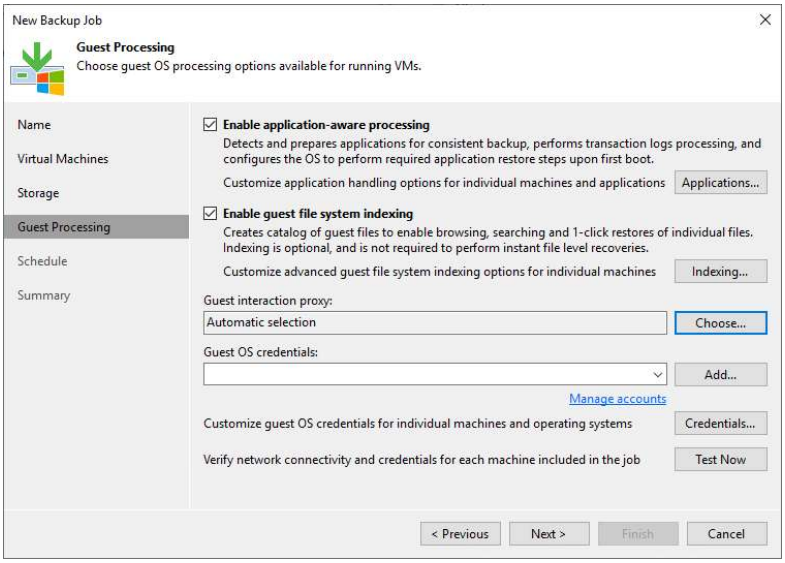
75. On the Guest file system indexing mode page, keep the default settings.
76. Click OK.



77. Click OK on the Guest file system indexing mode page.



78. Click Choose on the Guest interaction proxy field on the Guest Processing page.



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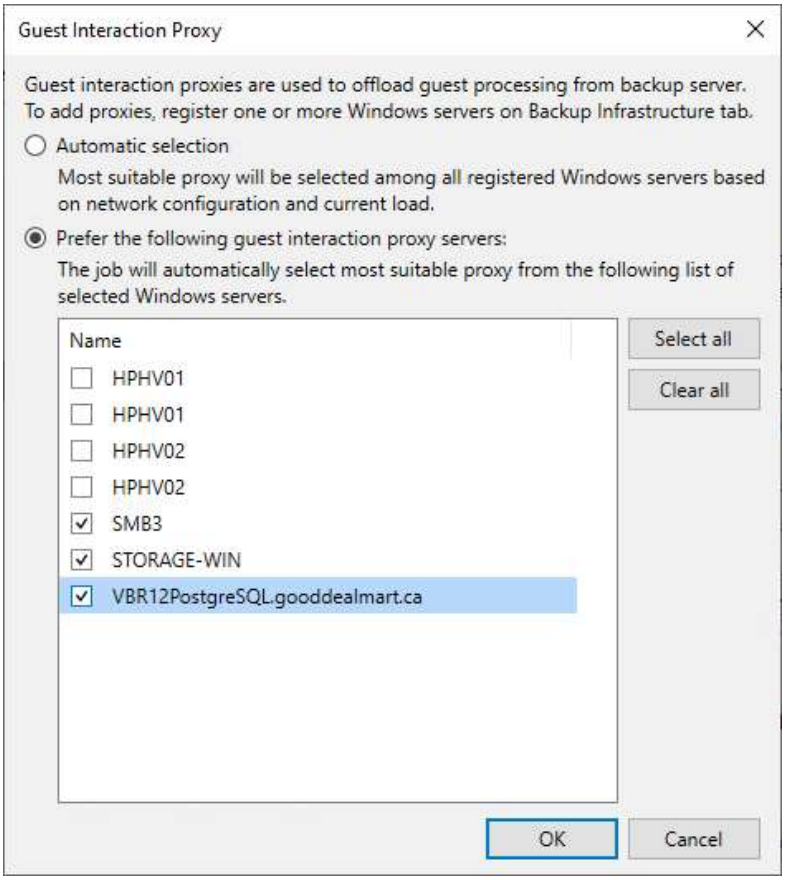
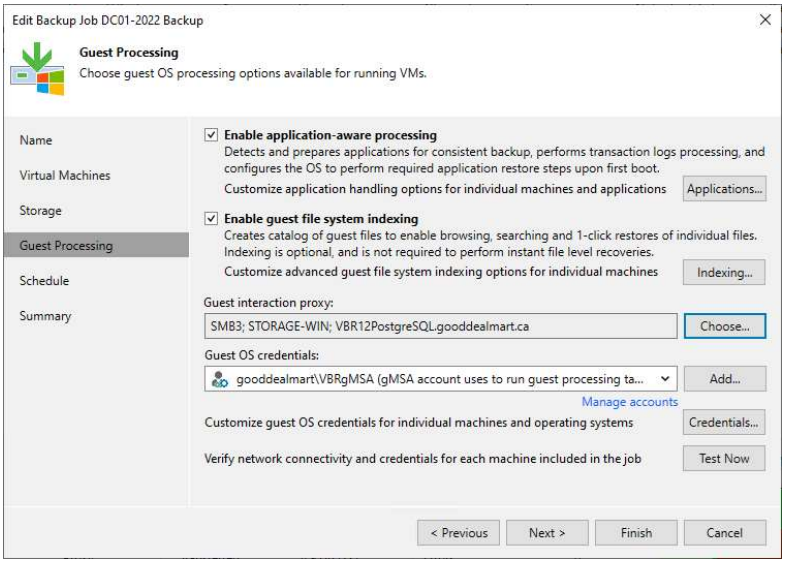
79. On the Guest Interaction Proxy page, select the domain member servers as the Guest Interaction proxy when you use gMSA as the guest OS credential.
80. Click OK.



81. Choose a user account on the Guest Processing page with sufficient permissions from the Guest OS credentials drop-down list.
82. If you have multiple VMs at the same job, click Credentials to Customize guest OS credentials for individual machines and operating systems.
83. On the Guest Processing page, click Test Now to verify network connectivity and credentials for each machine included in the job.



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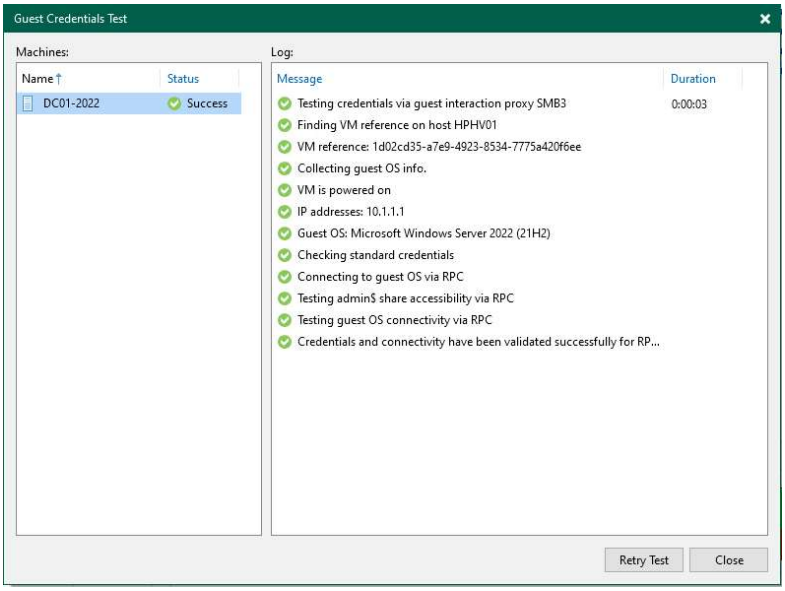
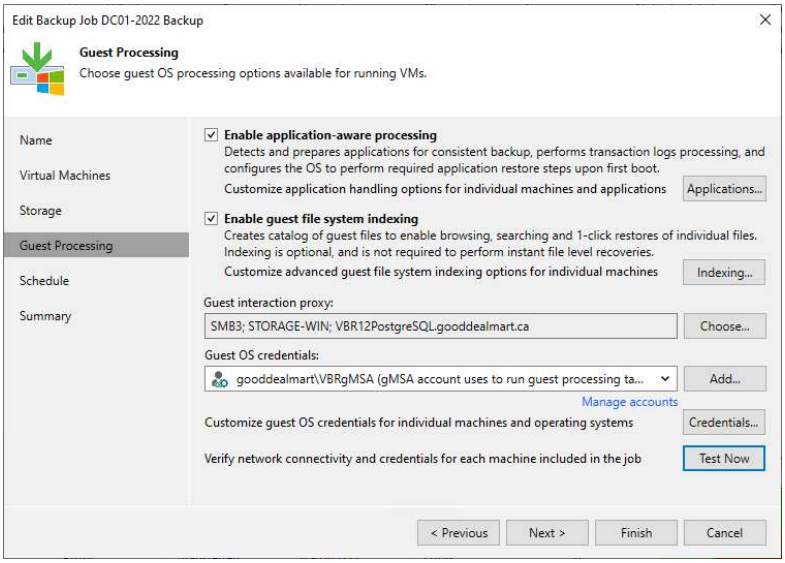
84. On the Guest Credentials Test page, ensure verification success for each machine.

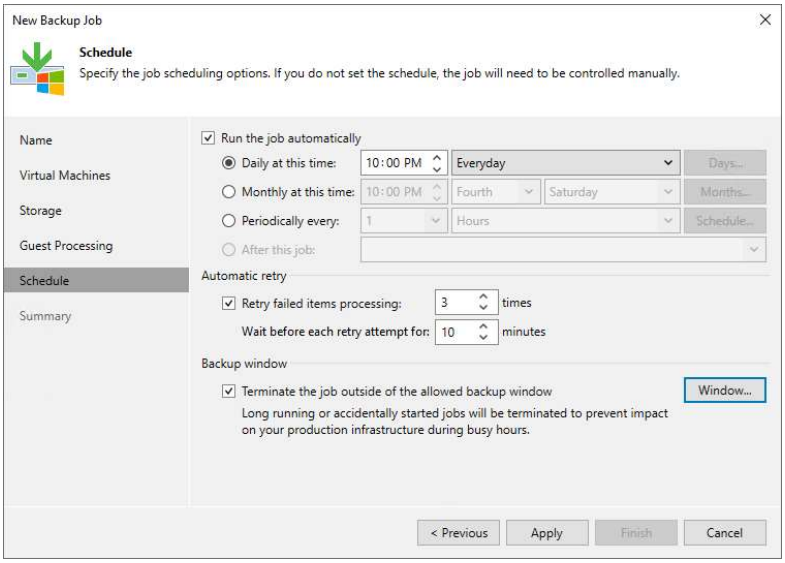
85. Click Close.



86. Click Next on the Guest Processing page.



87. Select Run the job automatically checkbox on the Schedule page and select your specified schedule.
88. Define whether Veeam Backup & Replication should retry the backup job if it fails in the Automatic retry section.
89. Define the time interval the backup job must complete in the Backup window section. The backup window ensures that the job does not overlap with production hours and that there is no unnecessary overhead on the production environment.
90. Click Apply.



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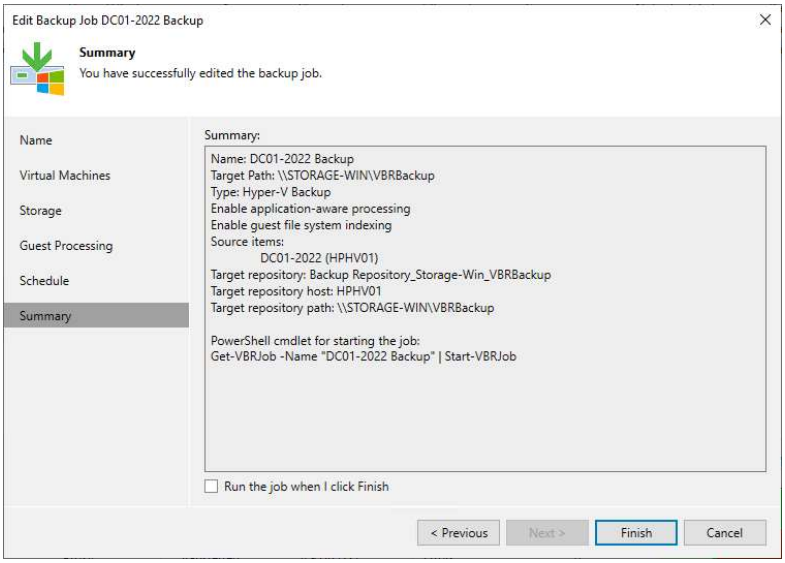
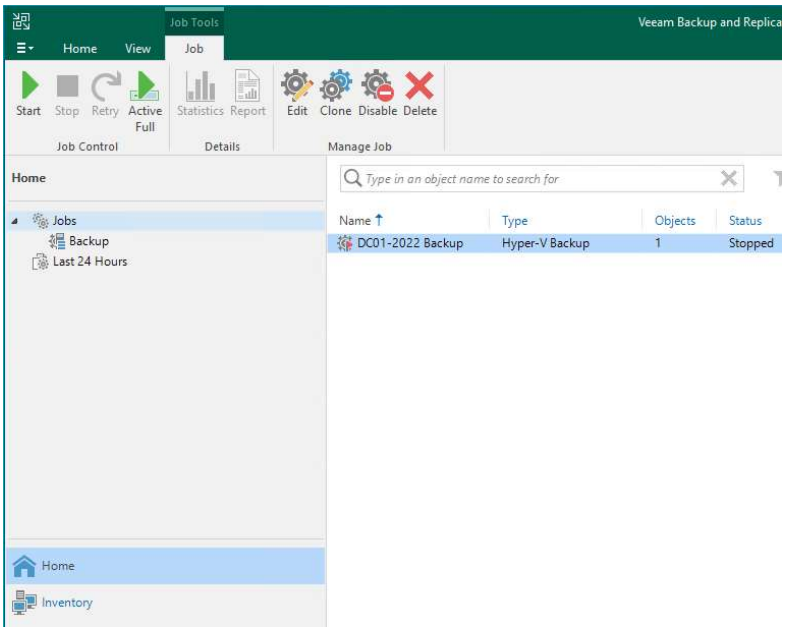
91. Click Finish on the Summary page.

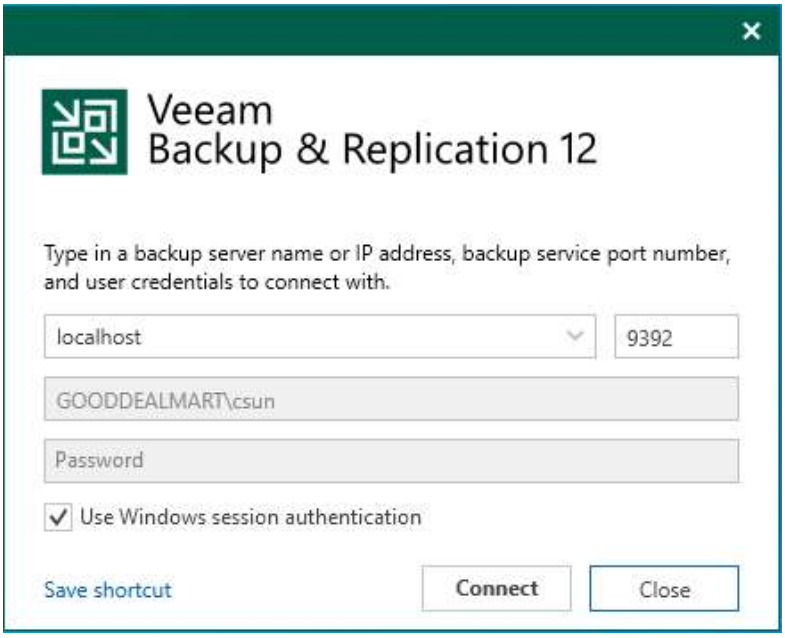


92. Verify that the backup job has been added.



Create an Immutable Backup job to backup the specified VMs

Immutable Backup is a Veeam Backup & Replication feature that protects against ransomware attacks by preventing malicious software from modifying or deleting backup data.
Immutable backup means that once data is written to a backup repository, it cannot be modified, overwritten, or deleted until a specified retention period has passed. This can prevent ransomware from corrupting or encrypting backup data because the malware cannot modify or delete the backup files.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

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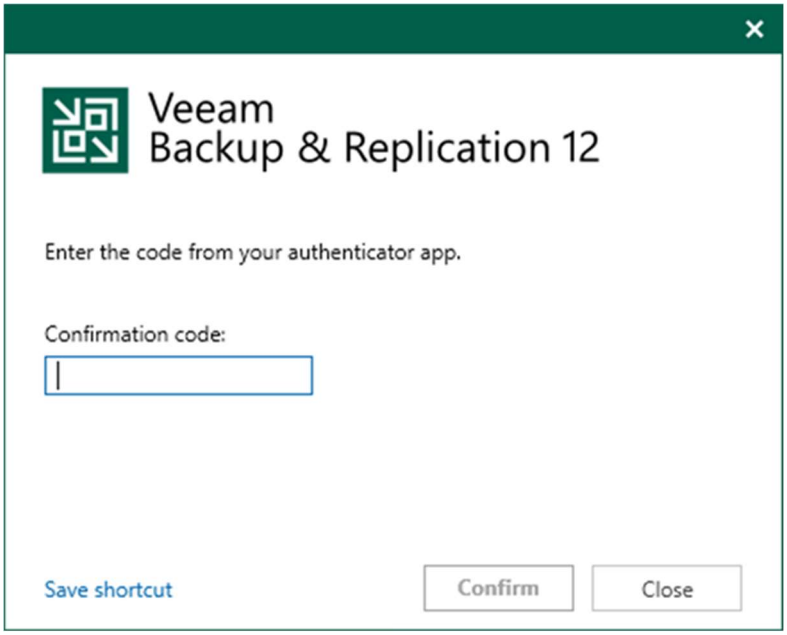
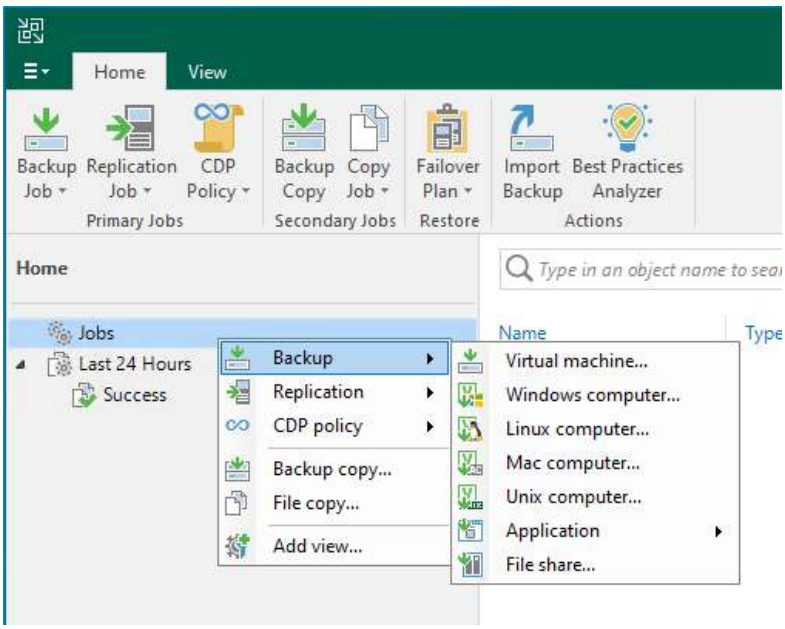
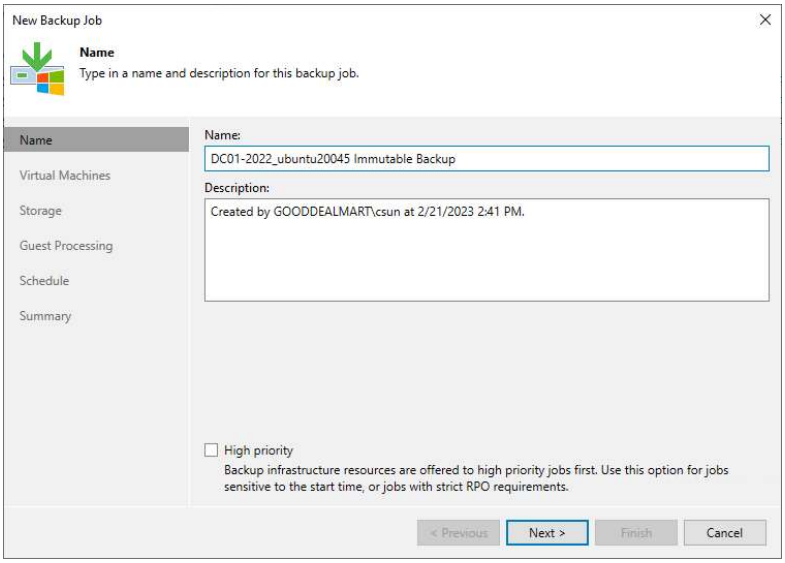
3. Enter the MFA Confirmation code and click Confirm.



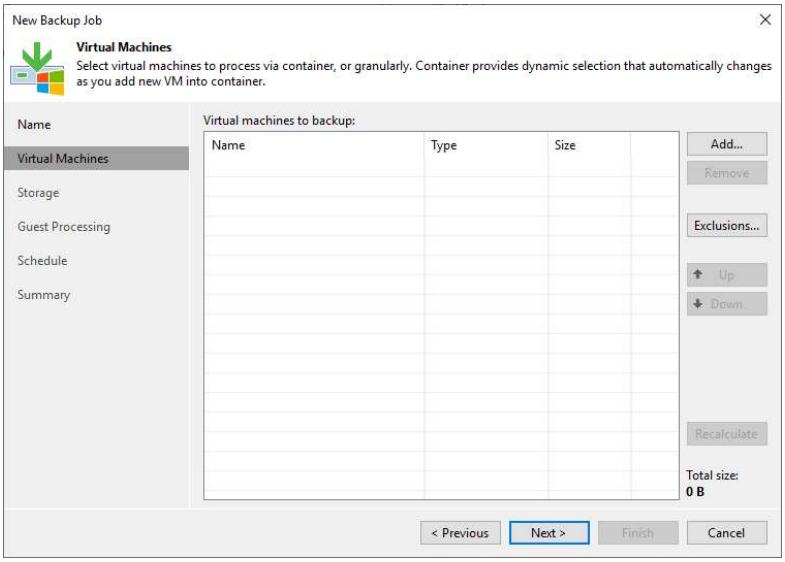
4. Select Jobs on the Home page and right-click Jobs.
5. Select Backup and click Virtual machine.



6. On the Name page, enter a name for the backup job in the Name field.
7. Give a brief description in the Description field for the future.
8. Click Next.



9. Click Add on the Virtual Machines page.



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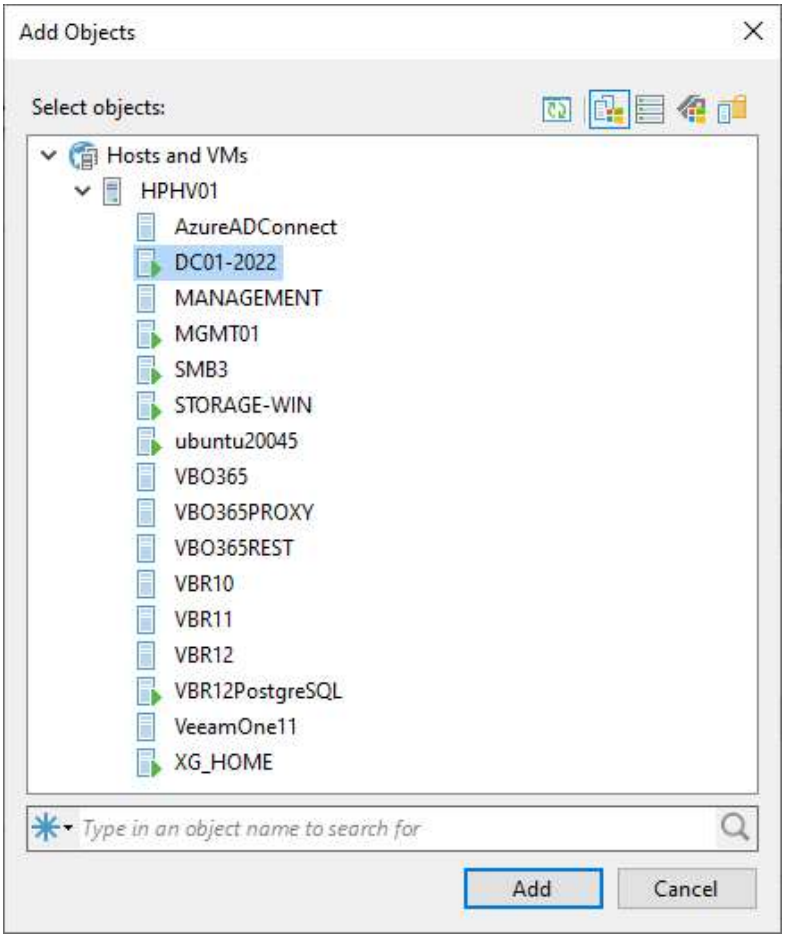
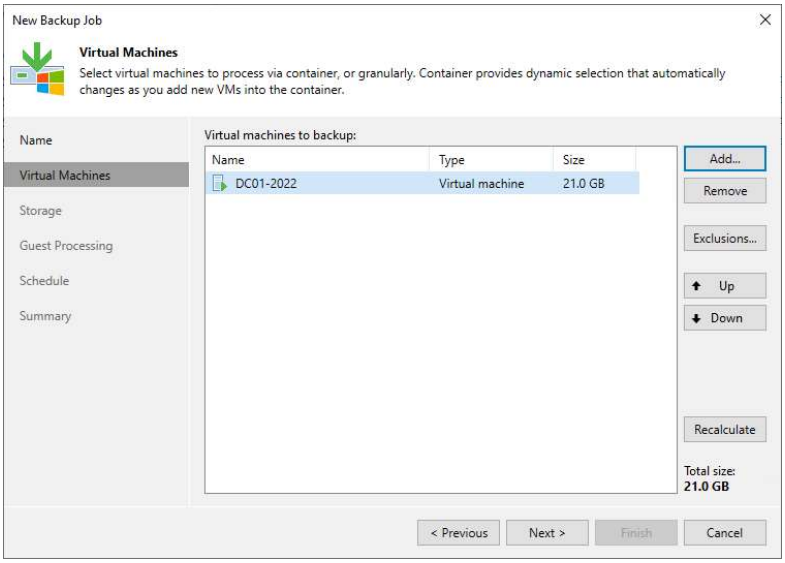
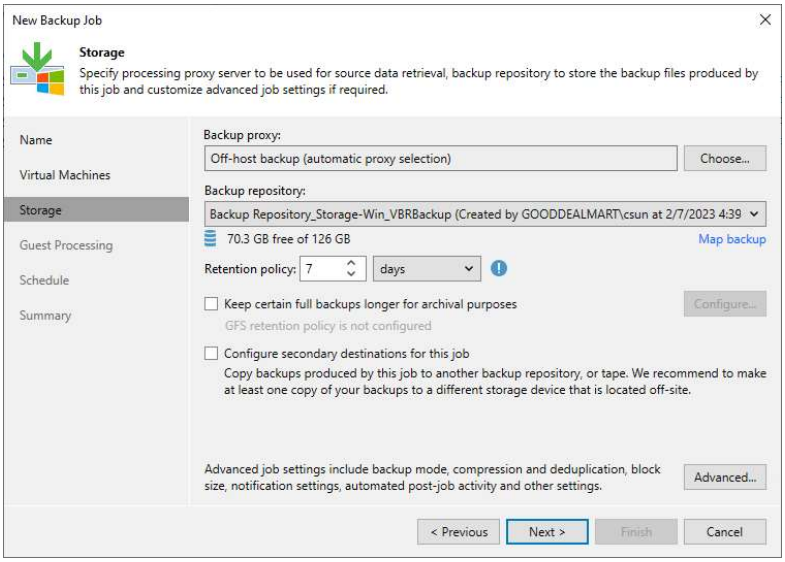
10. Select the VM from the Select objects list on the Add Objects page and click Add.
11. If you have multiple VMS that needs to back up in the same backup job, you can repeat the step to add them.



12. Click Next on the Virtual Machines page.



13. On the Storage page, click Choose to select a backup proxy if you don't want to use the default Off-host backup (automatic proxy selection) setting.



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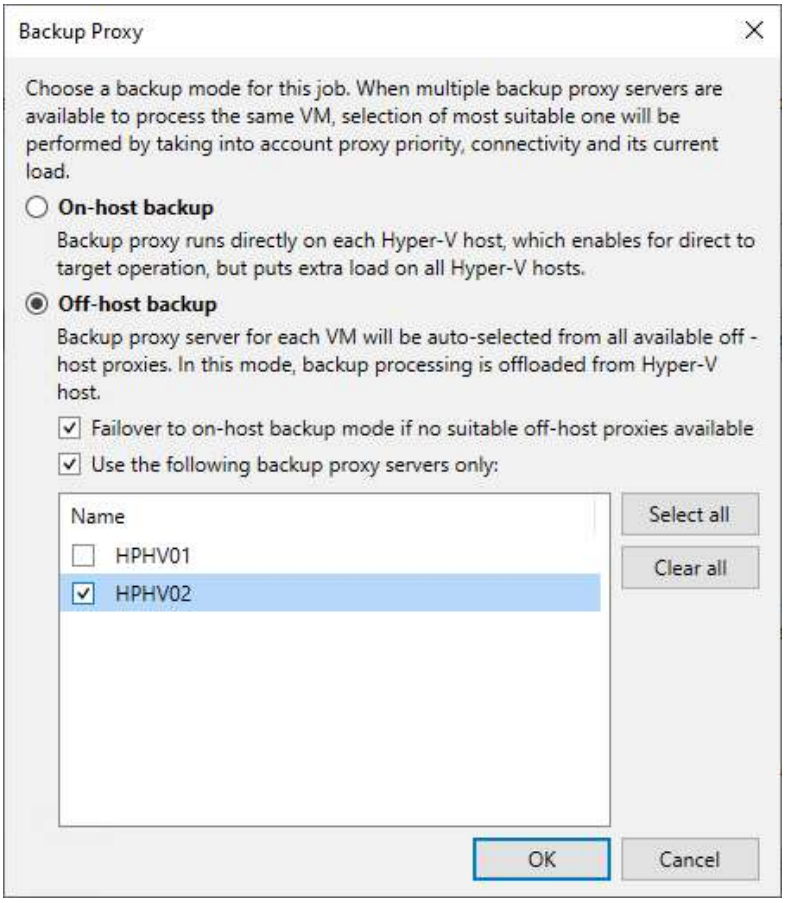
14. On the Backup Proxy page, if you select On-host backup mode, the source Microsoft HyperV host will serve as both the source host and the backup proxy. In this mode, Veeam Data Mover runs directly on the source host, which speeds up data retrieval but places additional strain on the host.



15. If you select Off-host backup mode, Veeam Data Mover will run on a dedicated off-host backup proxy. All backup processing operations from the source host are routed to the off-host backup proxy in this model.

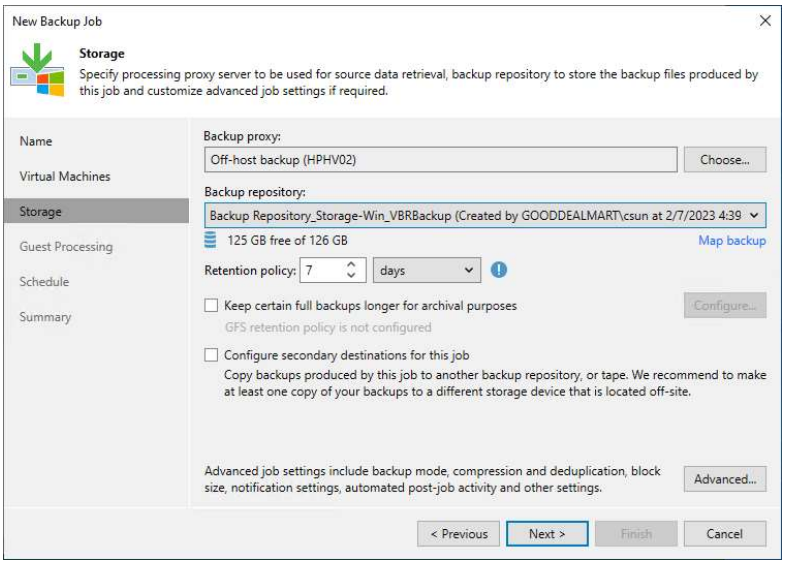
16. If the off-host backup mode is selected for the job, but no off-host backup proxies are available when the job begins, Veeam Backup & Replication will transition to on-host backup mode.

17. You unselect the Failover to on-host backup mode if no suitable off-host

proxies are available in the checkbox. Still, the job will fail to start if off-host backup proxies are unavailable or configured properly.

18. Click OK.

19. Select the Hardened backup repository from the Backup repository drop-down list.



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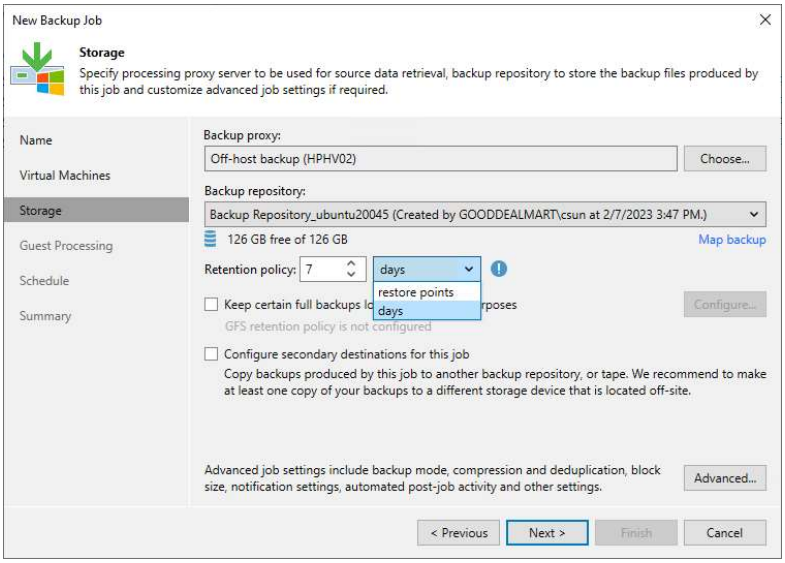
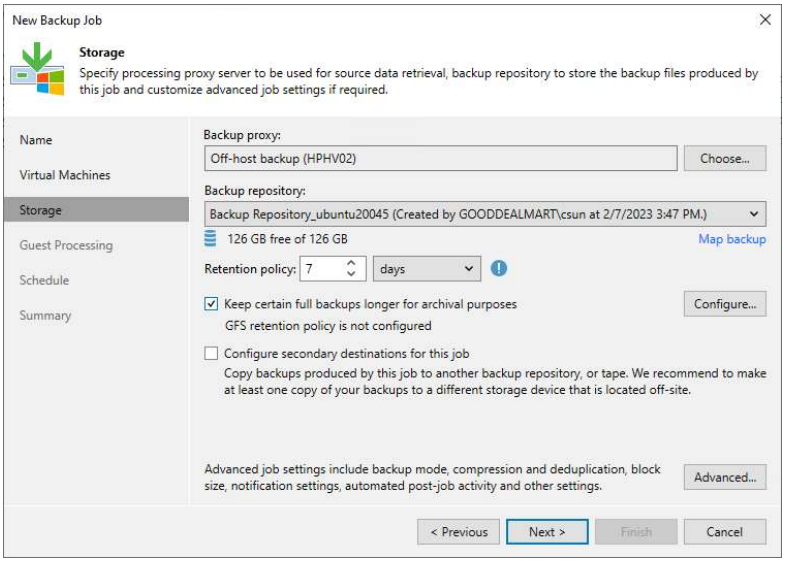
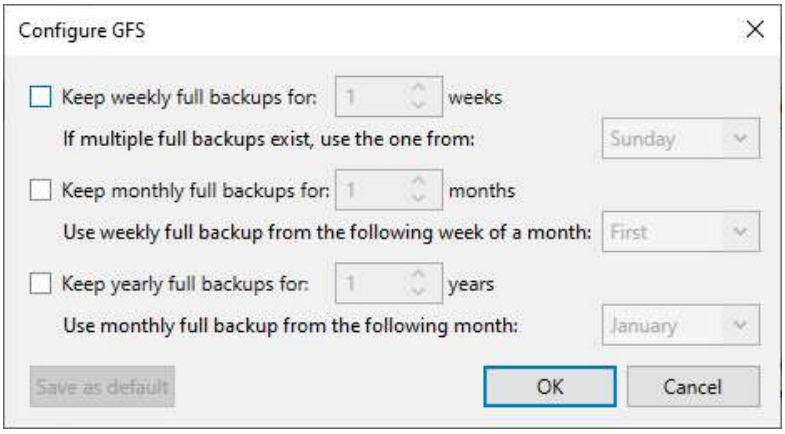
20. Set the retention policy settings for restore points in the Retention Policy field.
21. Select days or restore points from the drop-down list.



22. You can configure GFS retention policy settings for the backup job to ignore the short-term retention policy for some full backups and store them for long-term archiving.
23. Select the Keep certain full backups for longer for archival purposes checkbox and click Configure.



24. Select the Keep weekly full backups for check box, and specify the number of weeks you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
25. Select the Keep monthly full backups for check box, and specify the months you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
26. Select the Keep yearly full backups for check box, and specify the years you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
27. Click OK.



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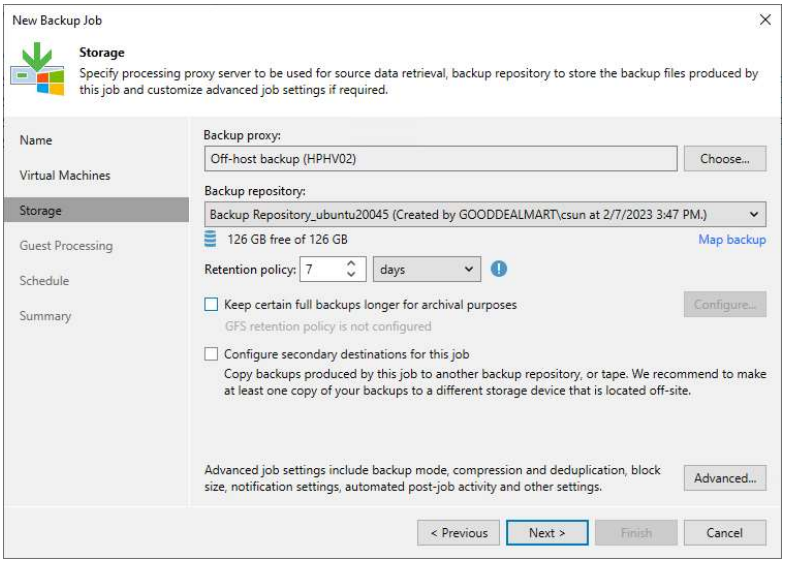
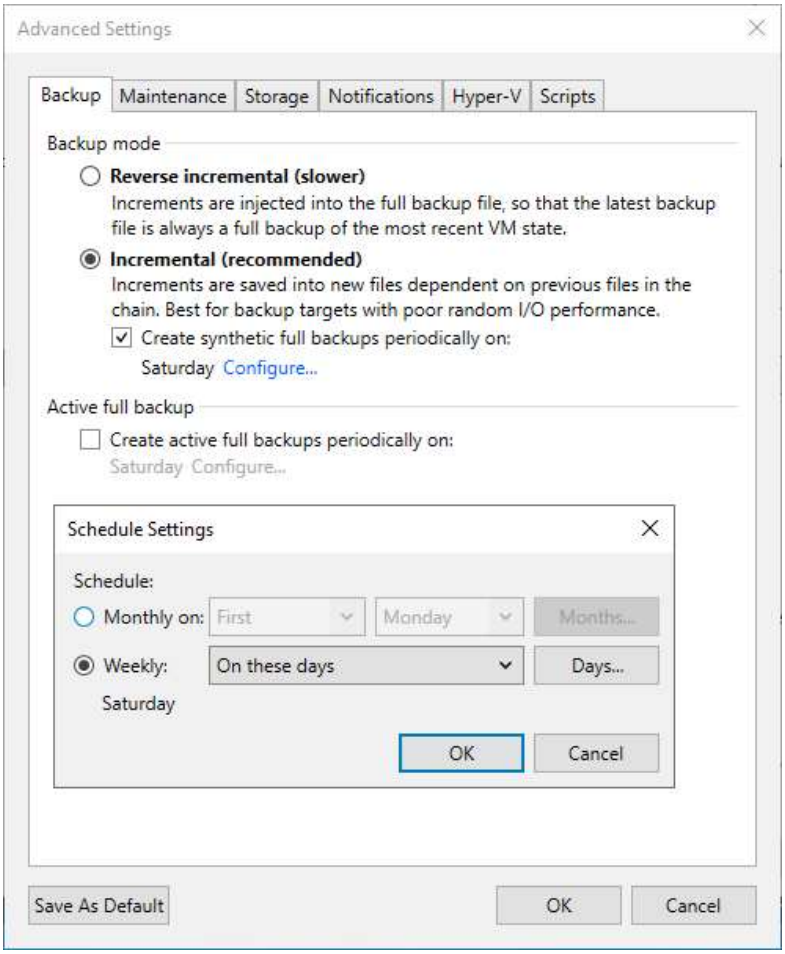
28. On the Storage page, click Advanced.



29. On the Backup page, select Incremental (recommended).
30. Select create synthetic full backups periodically or active full backups periodically checkbox.
31. Click Configure to schedule full backups periodically and click OK.



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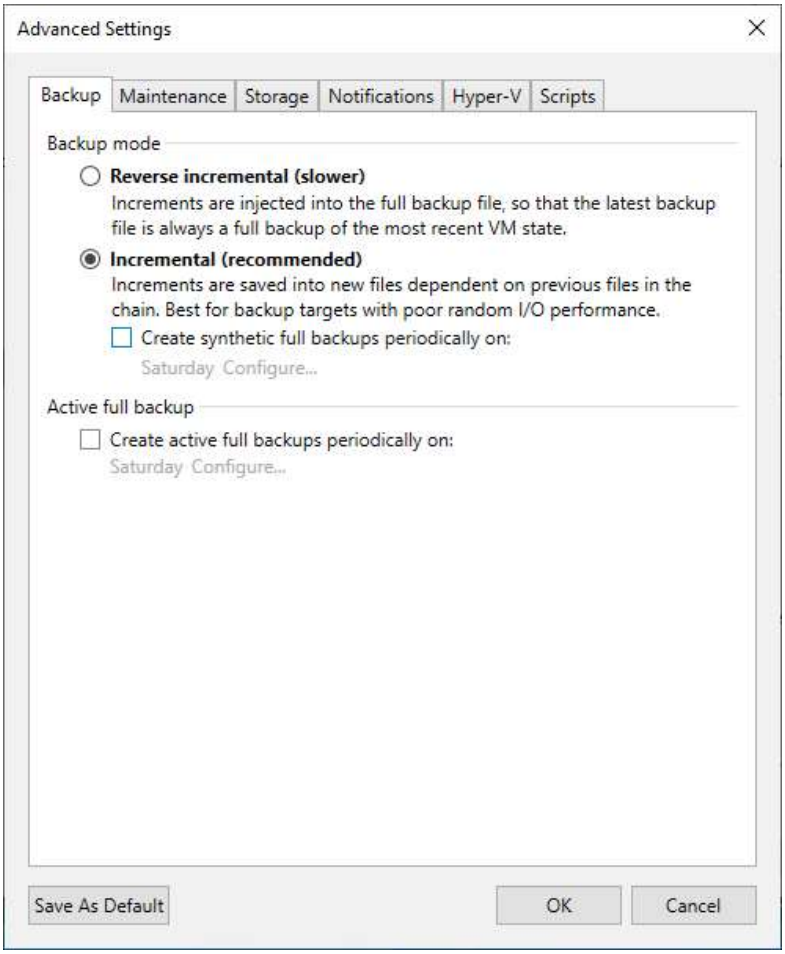
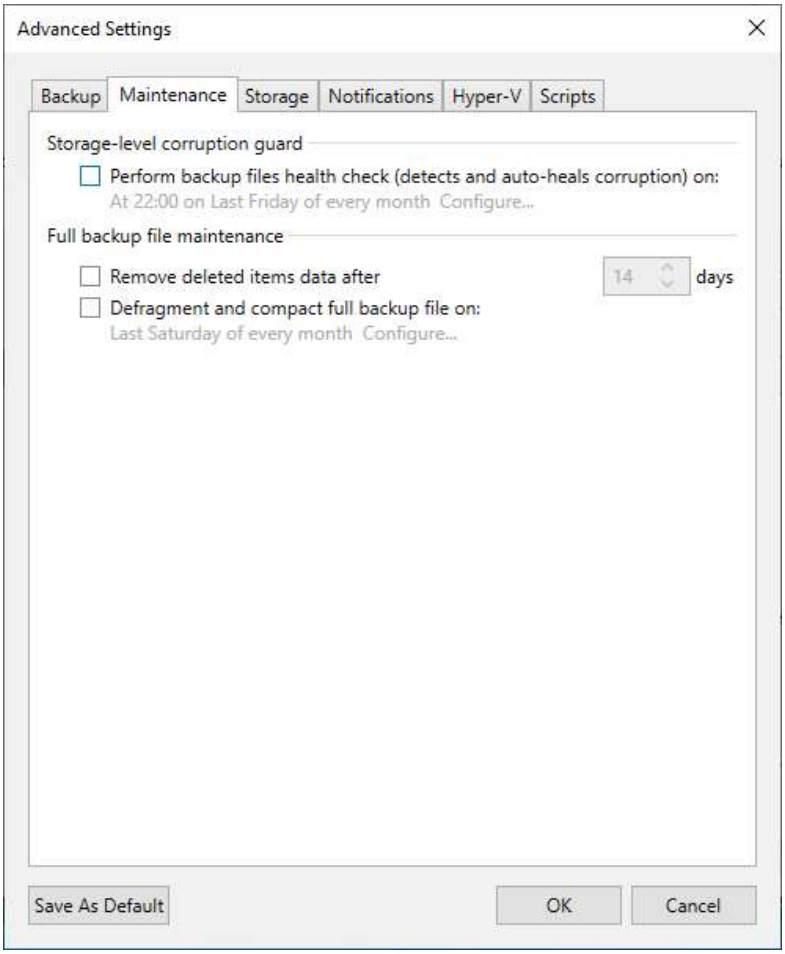
32. Select Incremental and disable synthetic full or active full backups to create a forever forward incremental backup chain if needed.



33. On the Advanced Settings, select Maintenance.



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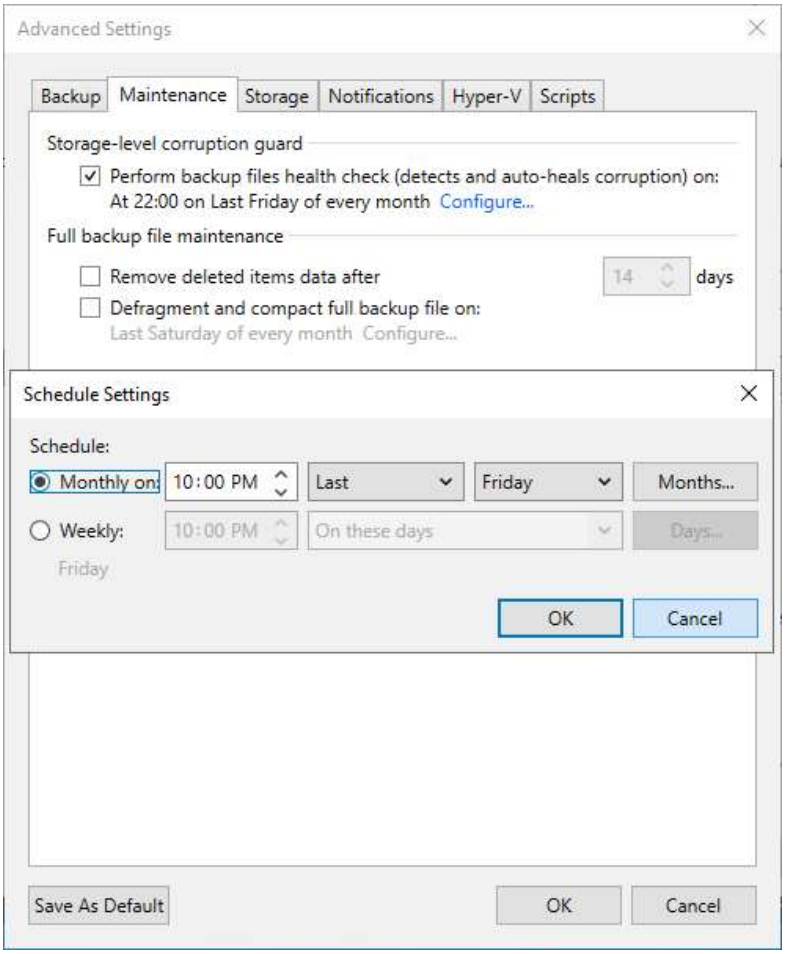
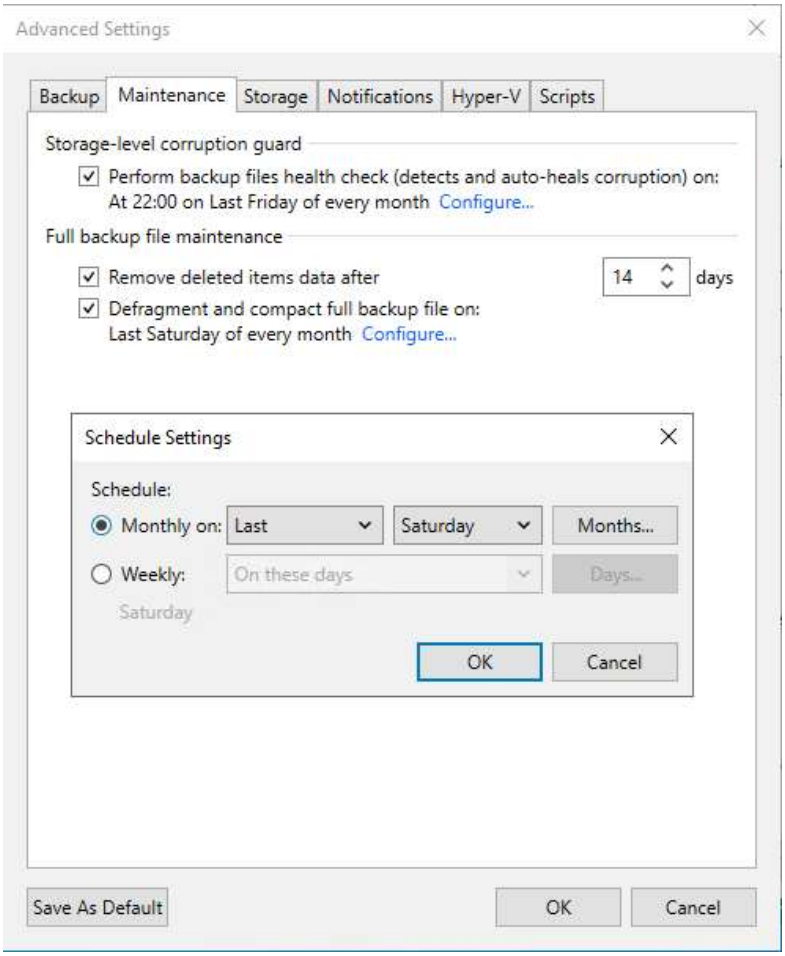
34. To regularly perform a health check on the backup chain's most recent restore point, select the Perform backup files health check (detects and auto-heals corruption) checkbox in the Storage-level corruption guard section.
35. Click Configure to set a timetable for the health check.



36. Select the Remove deleted items data after the checkbox and enter the few days you want backup data for deleted VMs to be kept.
37. Select the Defragment and compact full backup file checkbox and click Configure.
38. Set the schedule for the compact operation to compact a full backup periodically.

Note:

GFS retention is not compatible with defragment and compact functionality.



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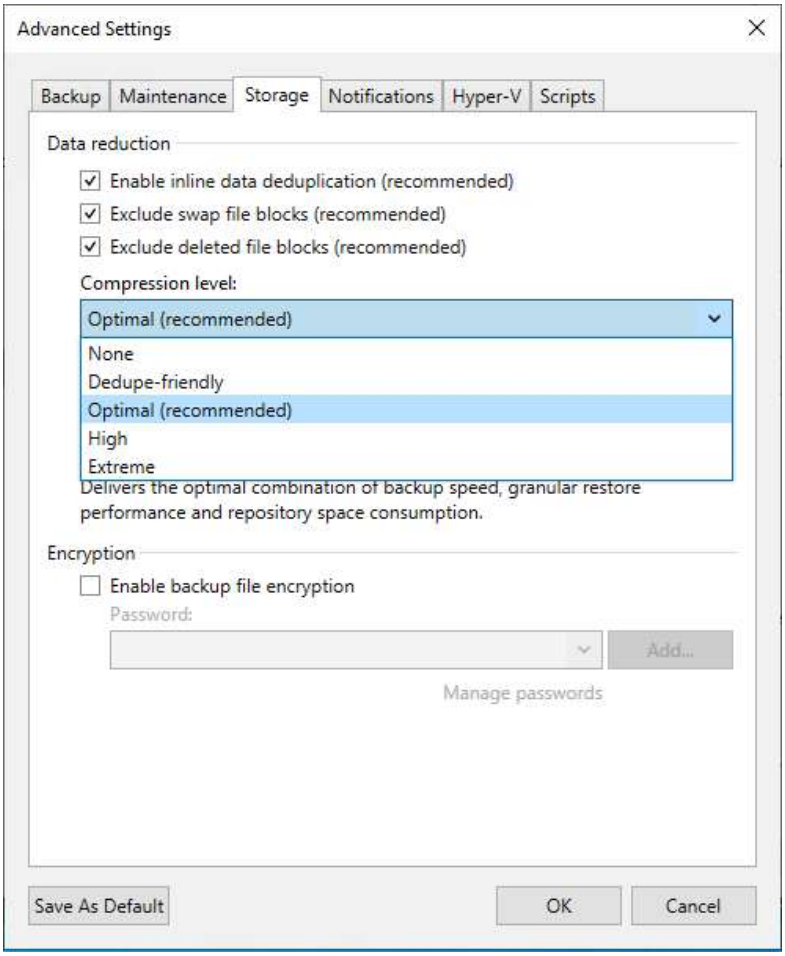
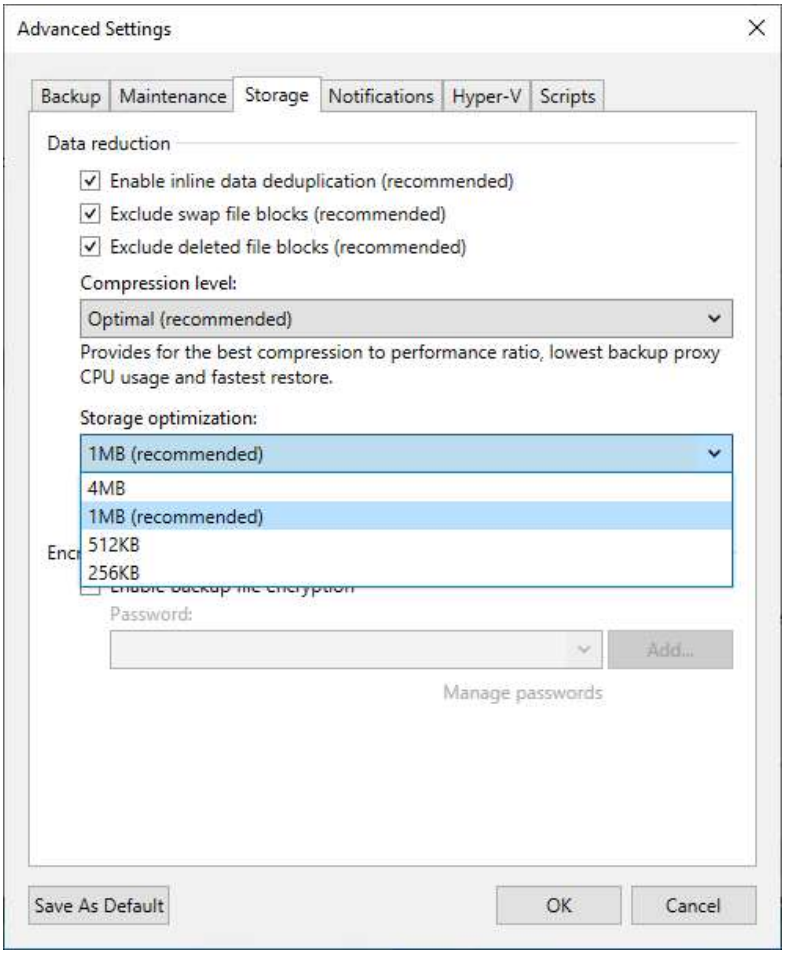
39. On Advanced Settings, select Storage.
40. Select the Enable inline data deduplication (recommended) checkbox.
41. Select the Exclude swap file blocks (recommended) checkbox.
42. Select the Exclude deleted file blocks (recommended) checkbox.
43. Select the compression level for the backup from the drop-down list.



44. Select the Storage optimization for the backup from the drop-down list.



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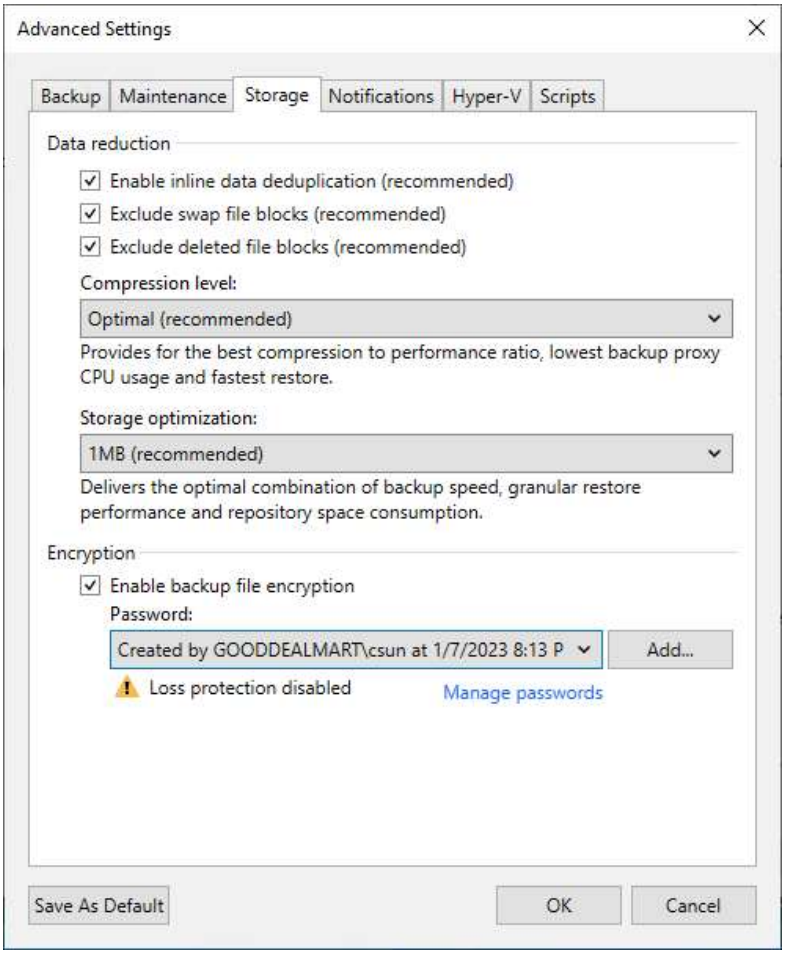
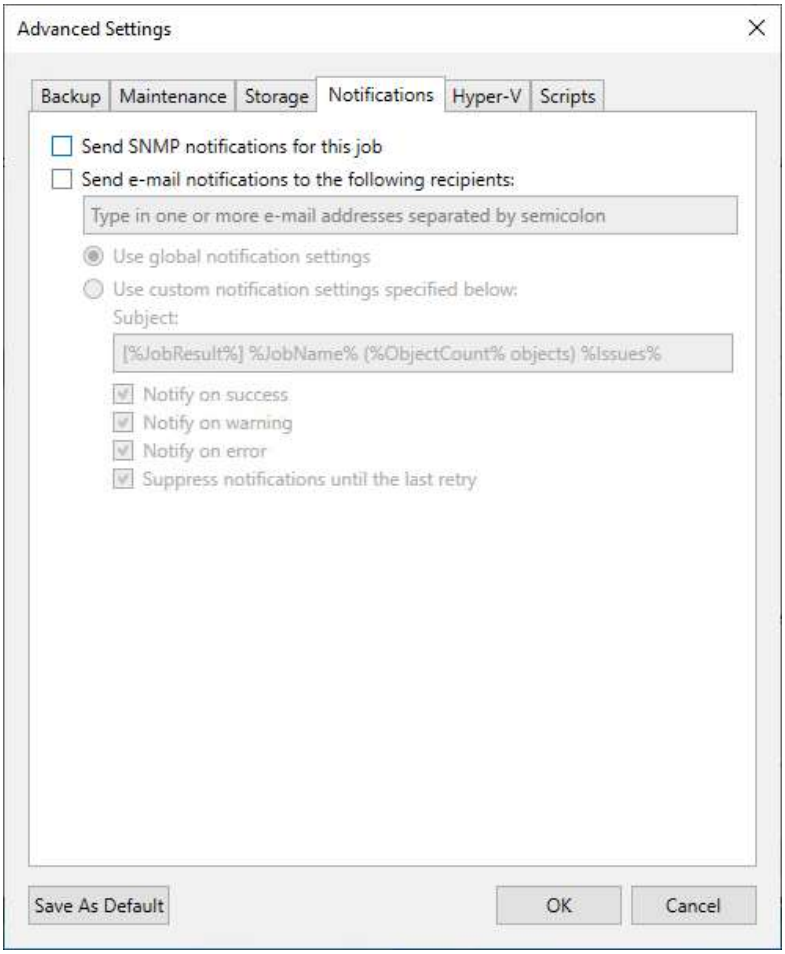
45. Select the Enable backup file encryption checkbox to encrypt the content of backup files.
46. Select a password from the drop-down list. Then, if you still need to do, click Add or use the Manage passwords link to create a new password.



47. Select Notifications on the Advanced Settings.
48. Keep the default settings.



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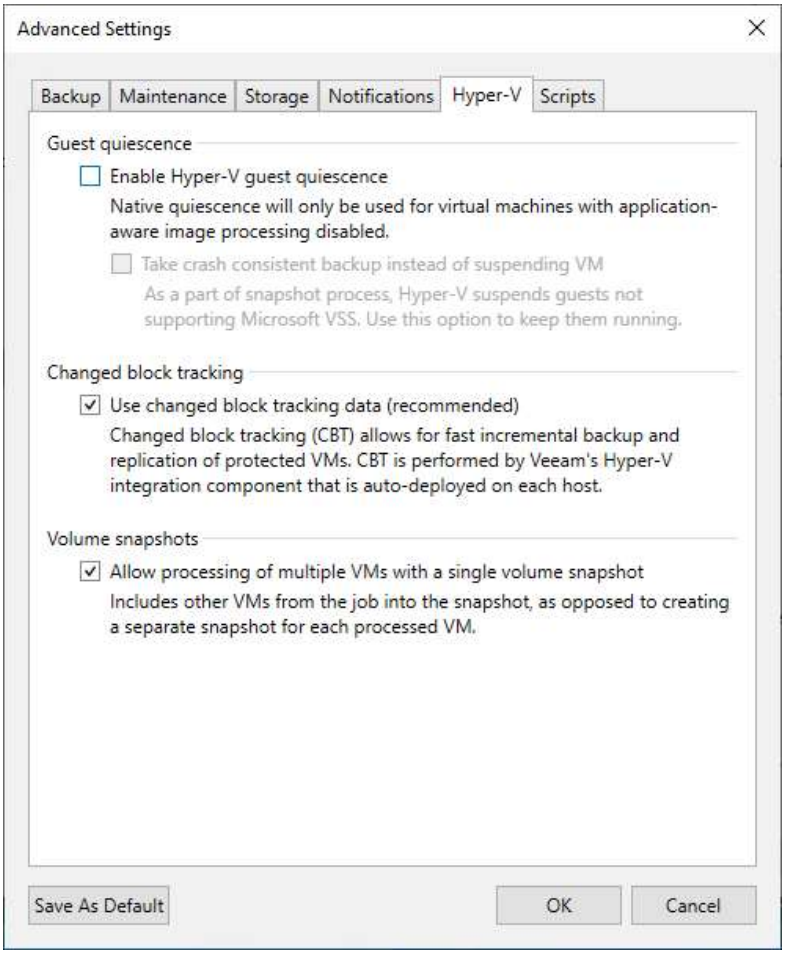
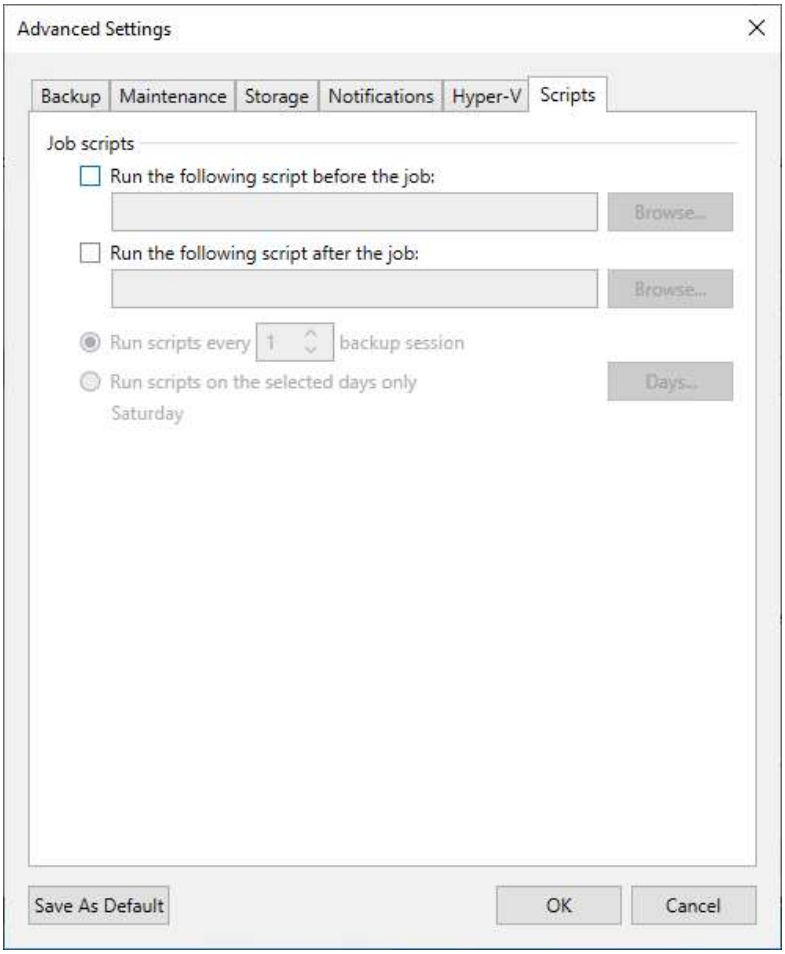
49. Select Hyper-V on the Advanced Settings.
50. Keep the default settings.



51. On the Advanced Settings page, select Scripts and keep the default settings.
52. Click OK.



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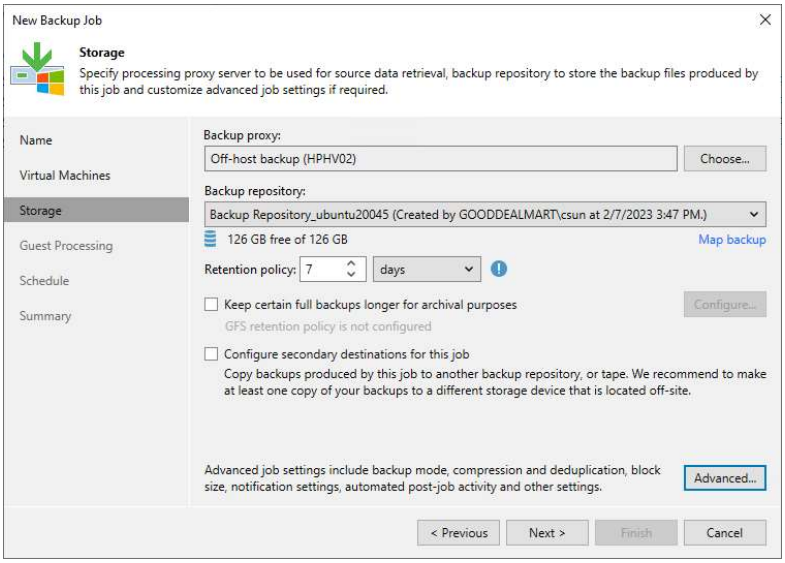
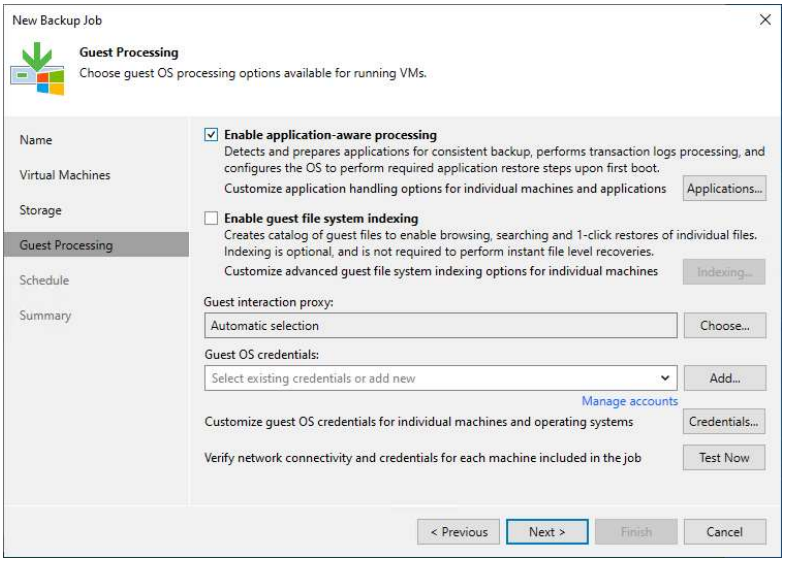
53. Click Next on the Storage page.

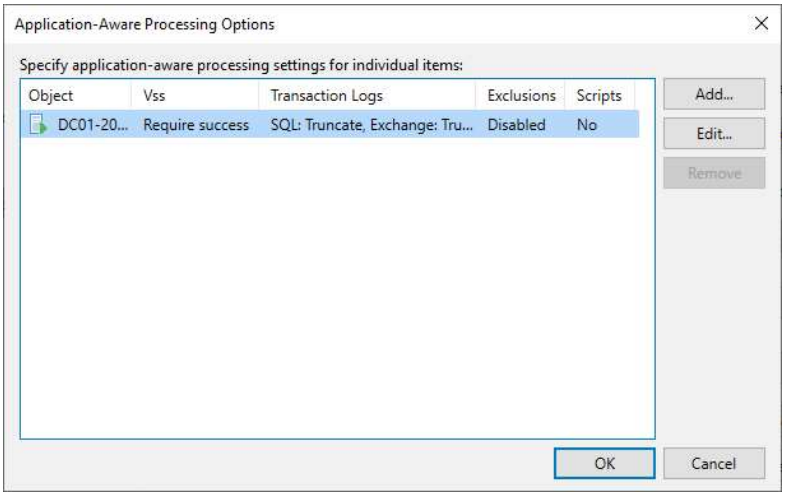


54. When you add VMs running VSS-aware applications to the backup job, you can enable application-aware processing to create a transactionally consistent backup. The transactionally consistent backup ensures that applications on VMs can be recovered without data loss.

55. Select the Enable application-aware processing checkbox on the Guest Processing page and click Applications.



56. On the Application-Aware Processing Options page, select the VM and click Edit.



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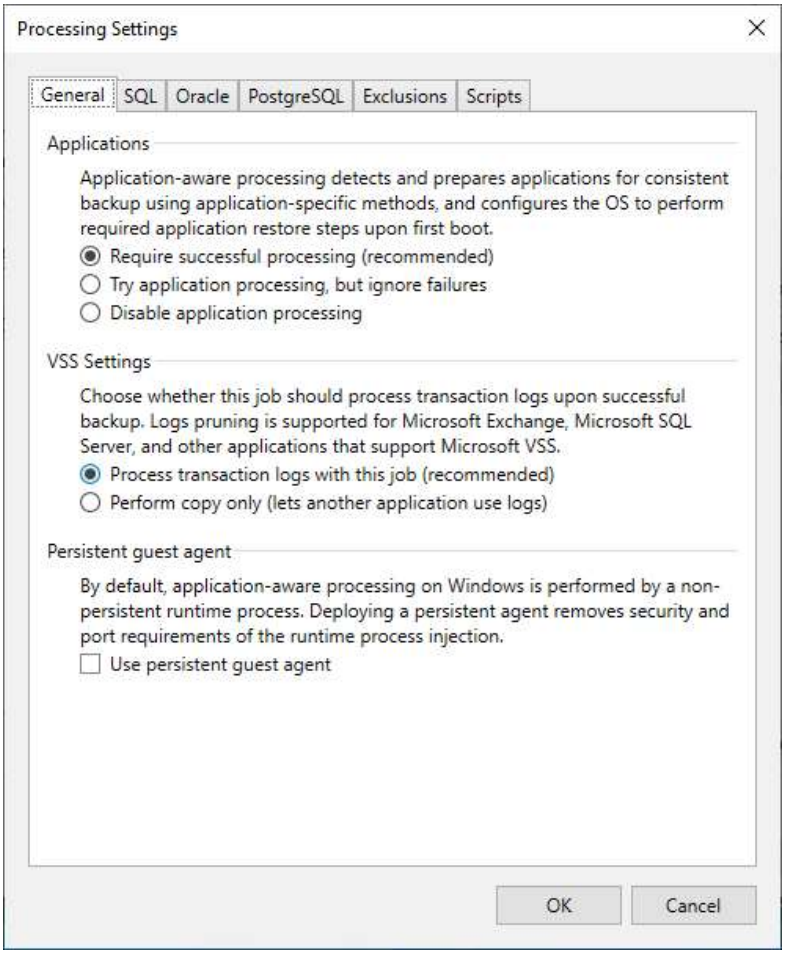
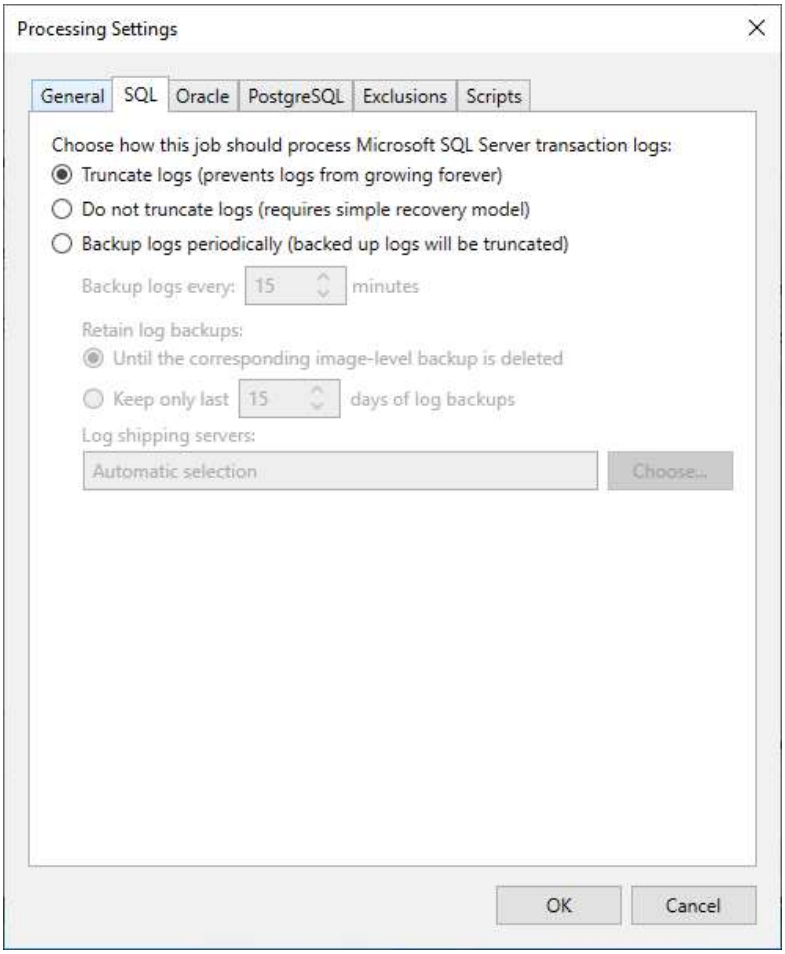
57. On the Processing Settings, click General.
58. Keep the default settings.



59. On the Processing Settings page, click SQL if the VM is a Microsoft SQL Server VM.
60. Select Truncate logs (Prevents logs from growing forever) to truncate transaction logs after a successful backup.



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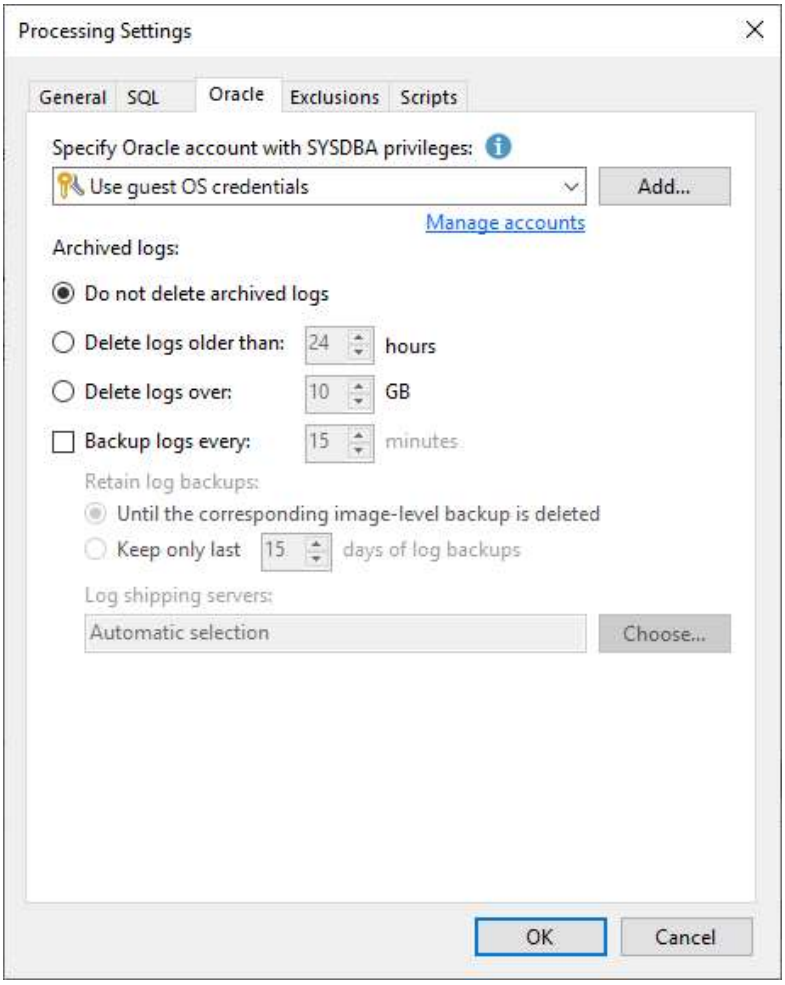
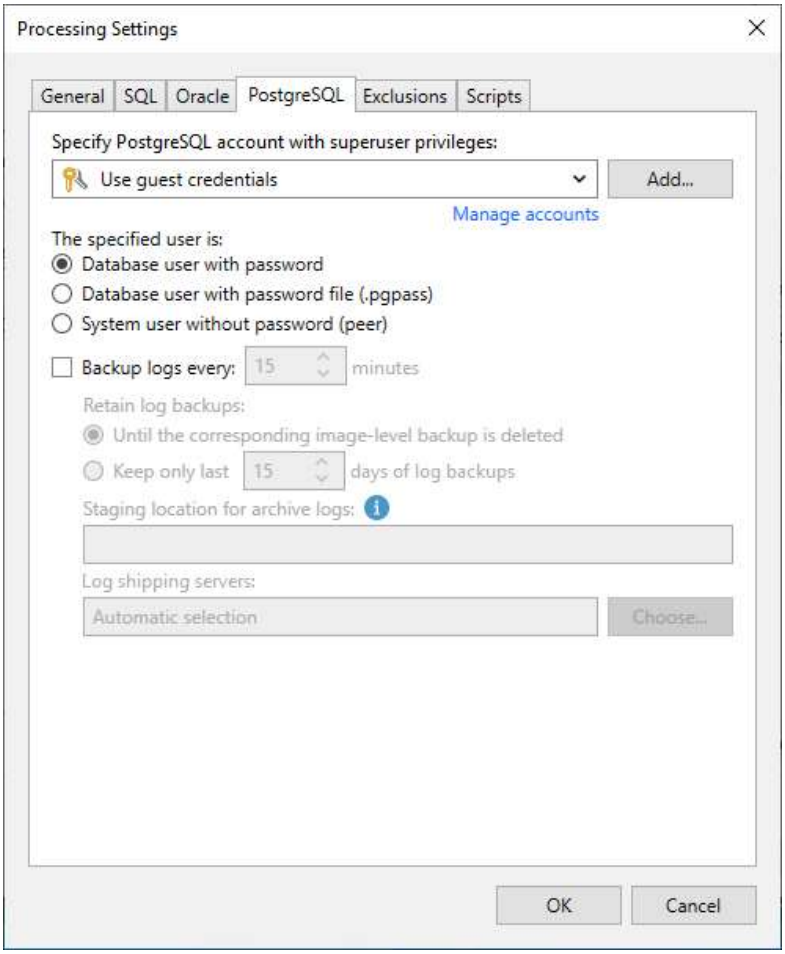
61. On the Processing Settings page, click Oracle if the VM is an Oracle Server.
62. Select a user account from the drop-down list.
63. Select Do not delete archived logs checkbox.



64. On the Processing Settings page, click PostgreSQL if the VM is a PostgreSQL Server VM.
65. Select a user account from the drop-down list.
66. Select Database user with password checkbox.



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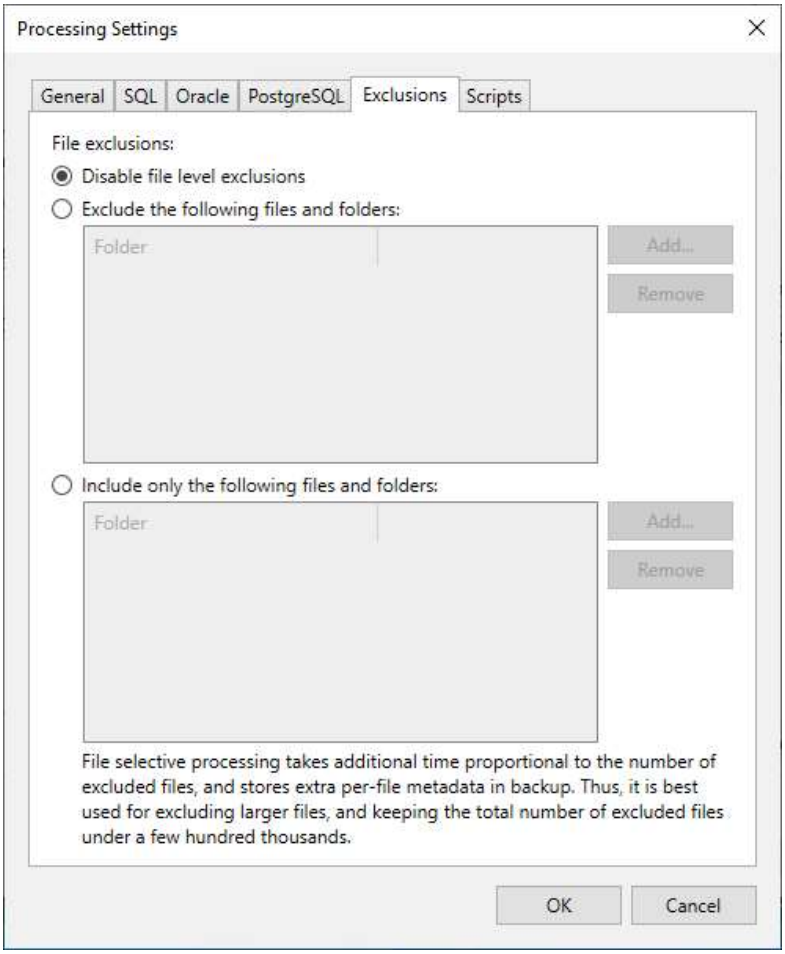
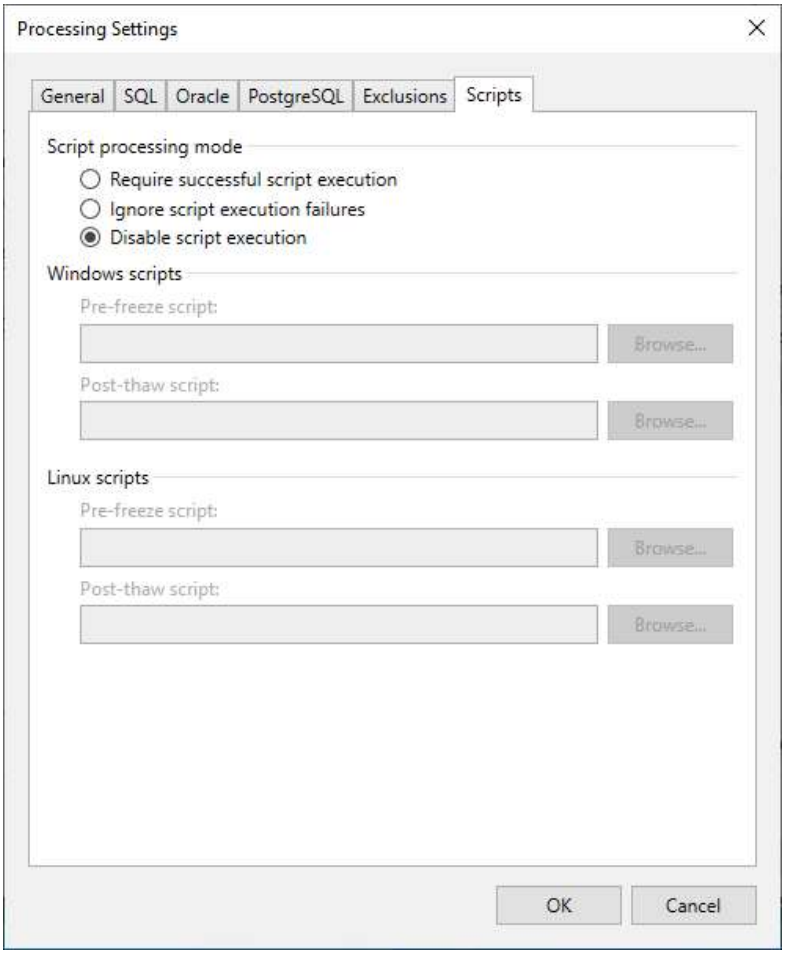
67. On the Processing Settings page, click Exclusions and keep the default settings.



68. On the Processing Settings page, click Scripts and keep the default settings.
69. Click OK.



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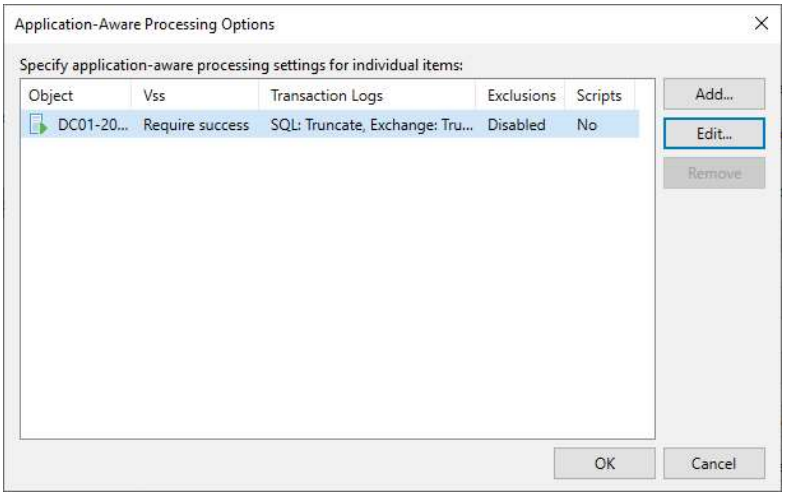
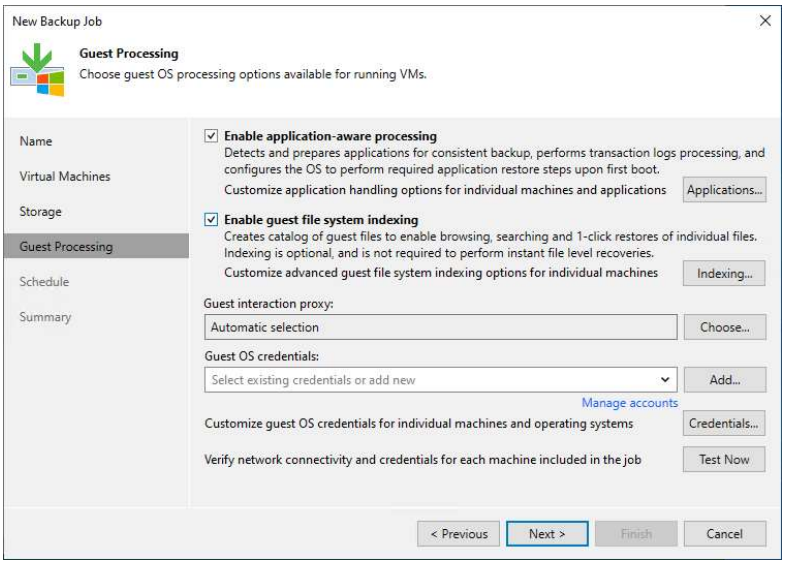
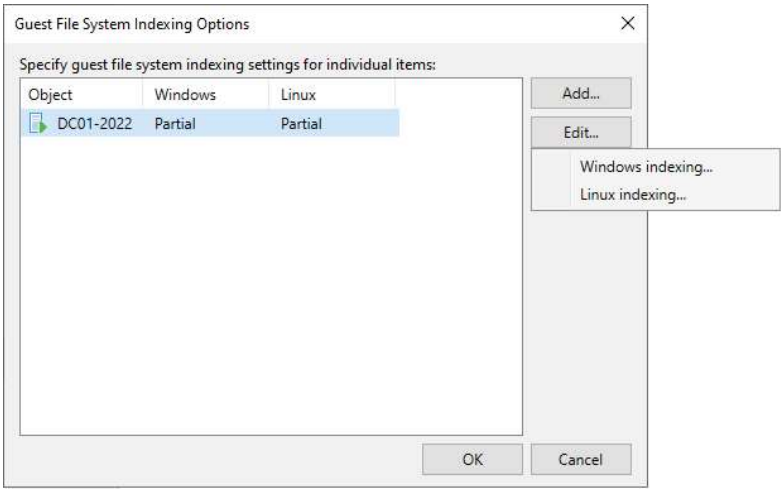
70. On the Application-Aware Processing Options page, click OK.



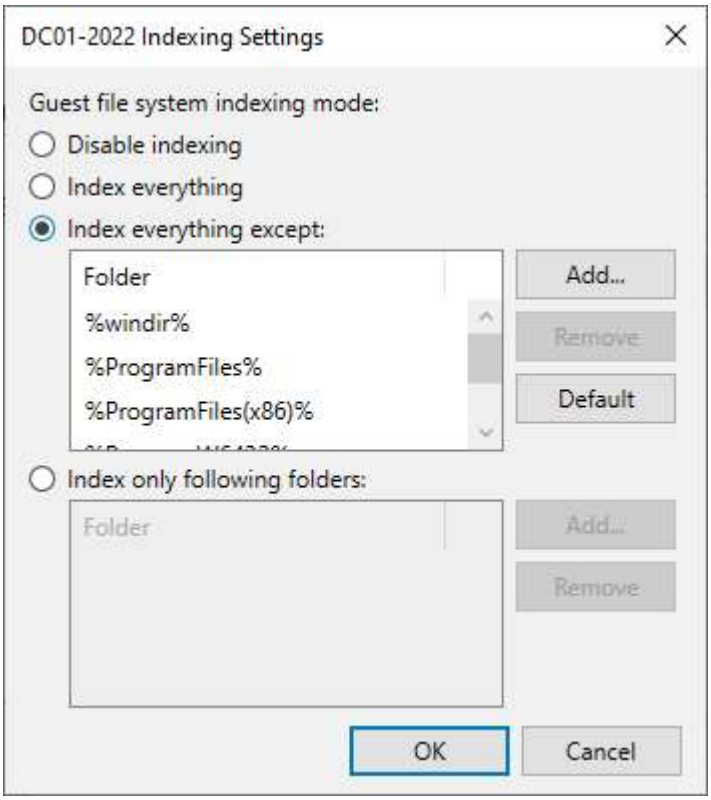
71. Select the Enable guest file system indexing checkbox and click Indexing.



72. On the Guest File System Indexing Options page, select the VM, click Edit and select Windows indexing.



73. On the Guest file system indexing mode page, keep the default settings.
74. Click OK.



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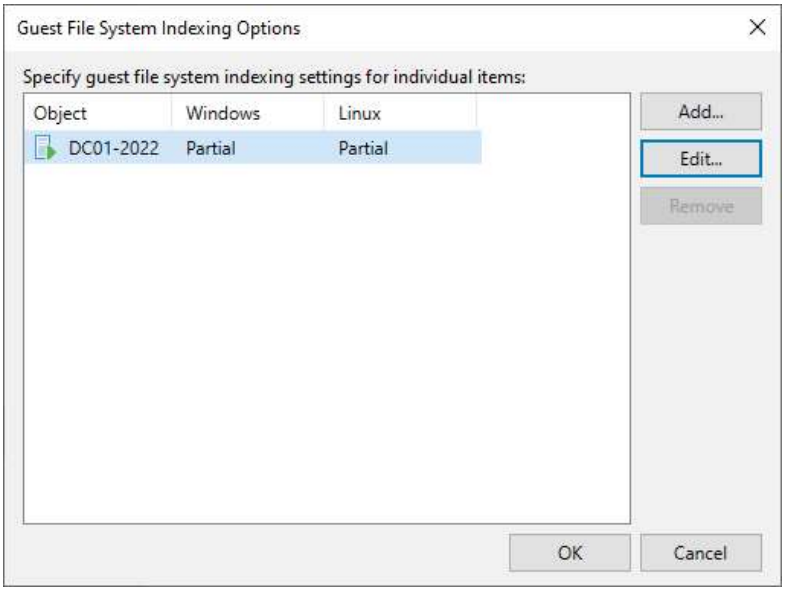
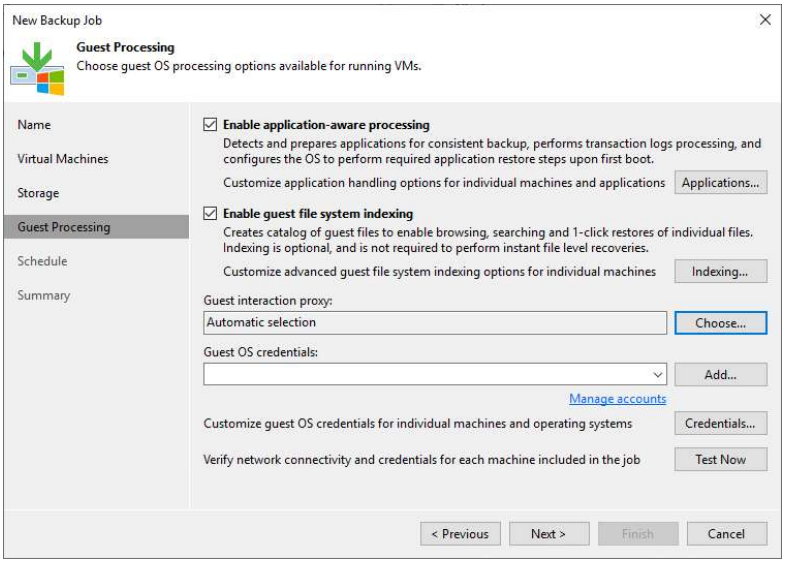
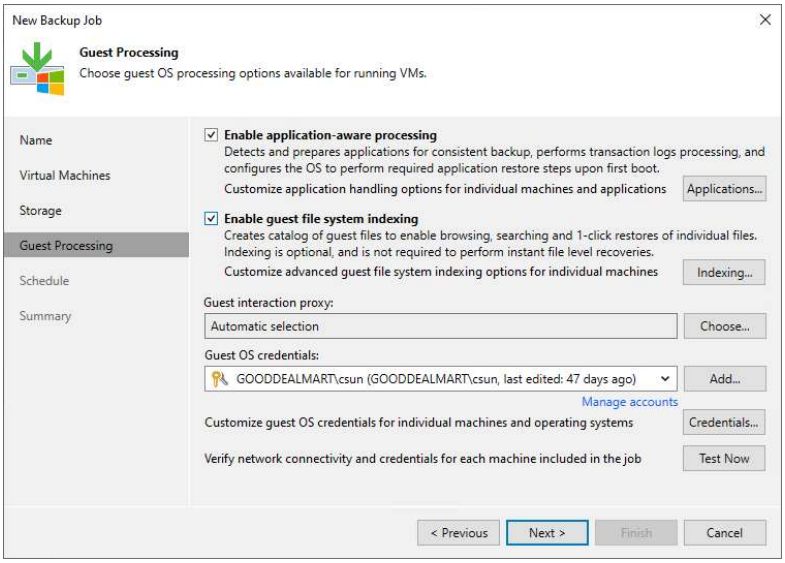
75. Click OK on the Guest file system indexing mode page.



76. Keep the default Automatic selection setting in the Guest interaction proxy field.



77. Choose a user account on the Guest Processing page with sufficient permissions from the Guest OS credentials drop-down list.
78. If you have multiple VMs at the same job, click Credentials to Customize guest OS credentials for individual machines and operating systems.
79. On the Guest Processing page, click Test Now to verify network connectivity and credentials for each machine included in the job.



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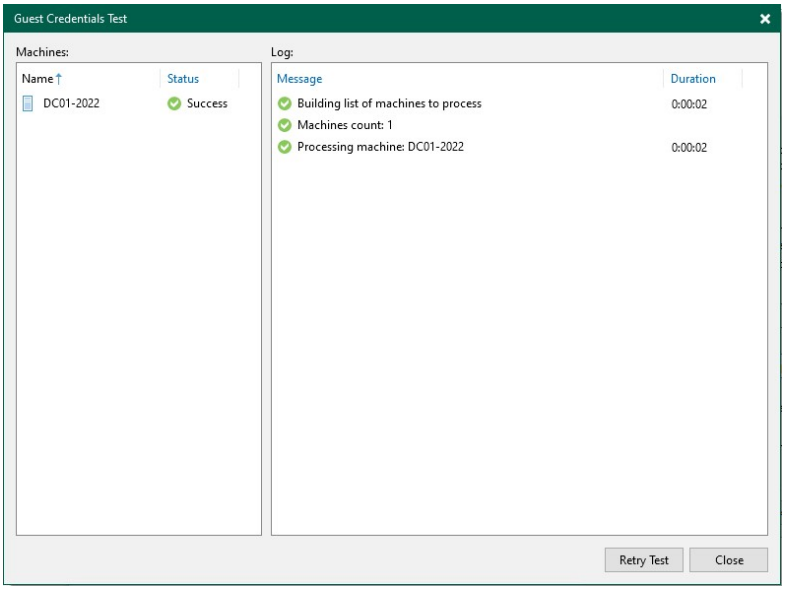
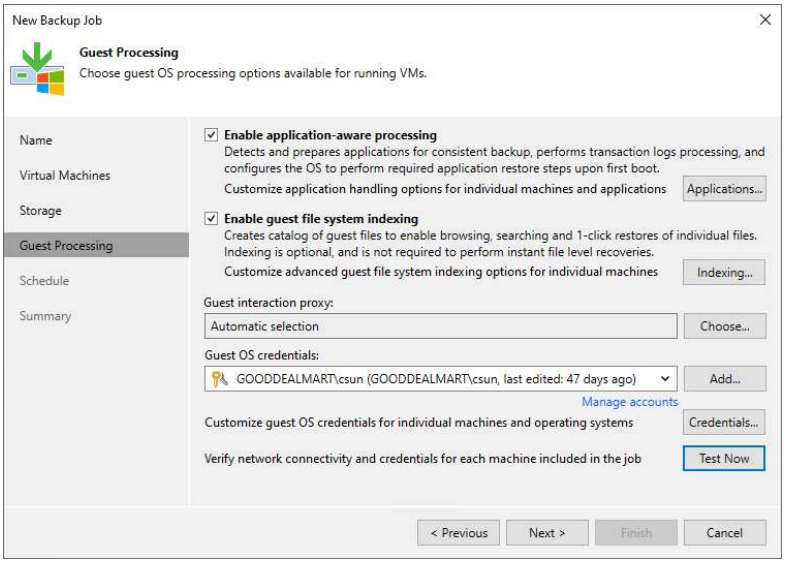
80. On the Guest Credentials Test page, ensure verification success for each machine.
81. Click Close.



82. Click Next on the Guest Processing page.



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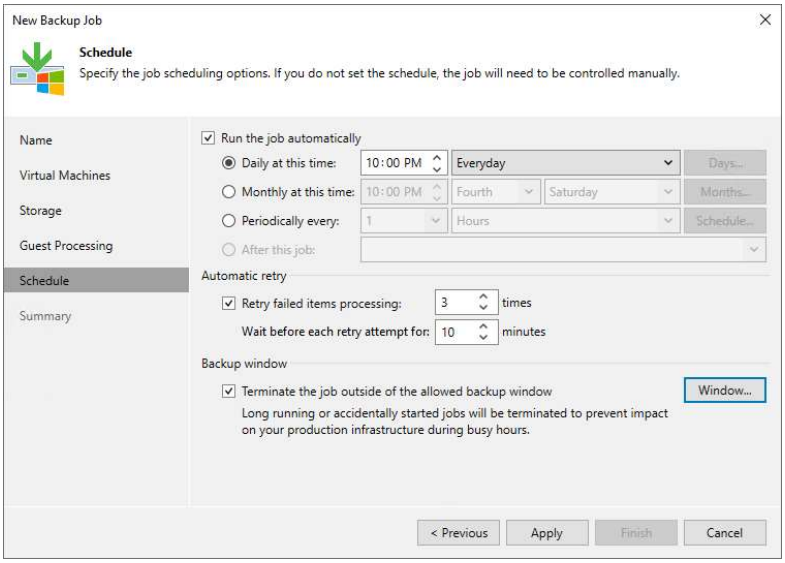
86. Click Apply.



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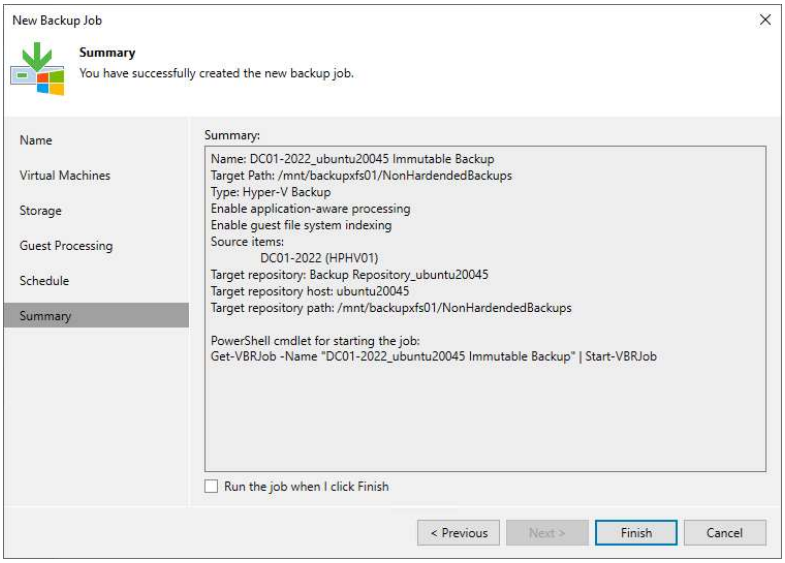
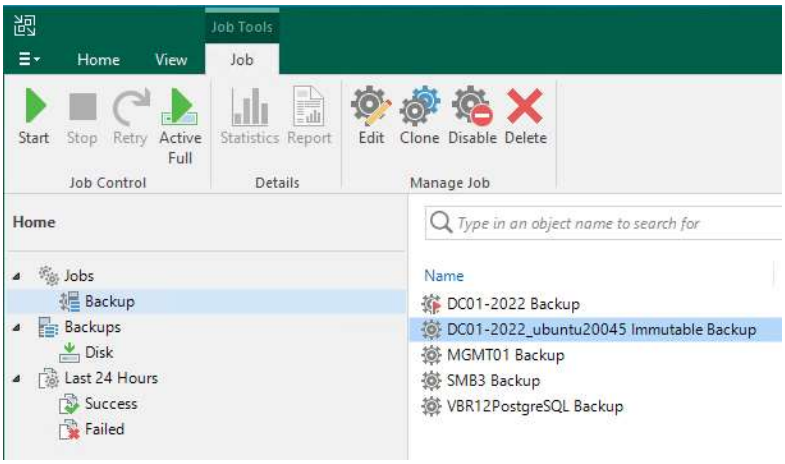
87. Click Finish on the Summary page.

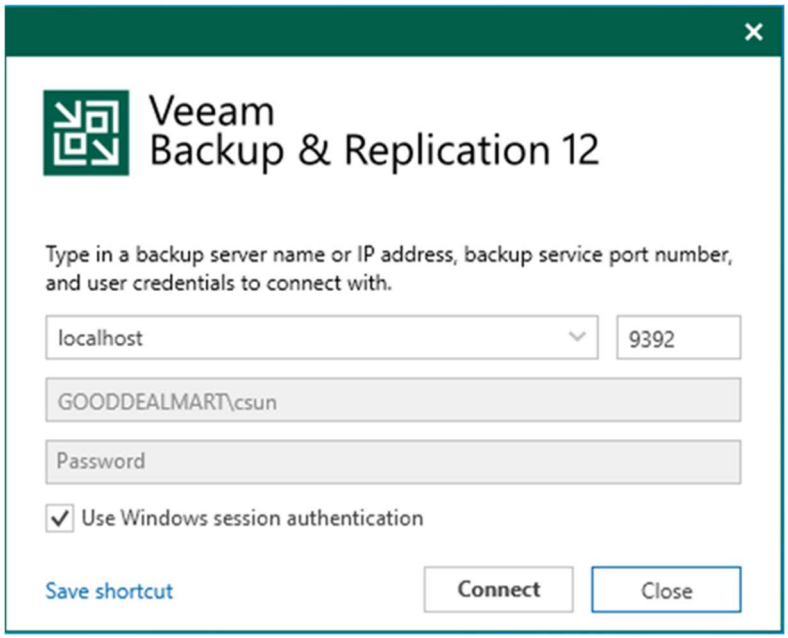


88. Verify that the backup job has been added.



Create a Backup job to backup the specified Physical Machines (Managed by Backup Server Mode)

This procedure uses the managed backup server mode to create a backup job to back up the specific physical production machines.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

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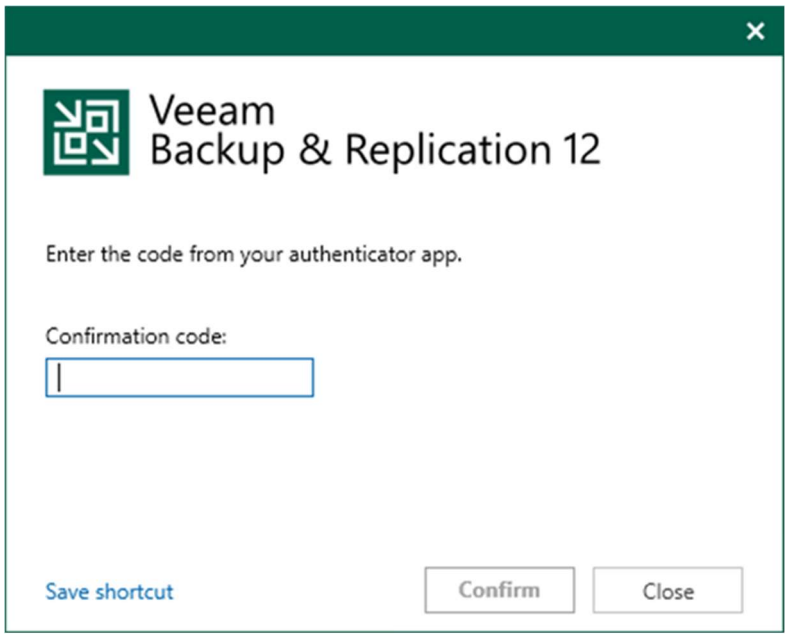
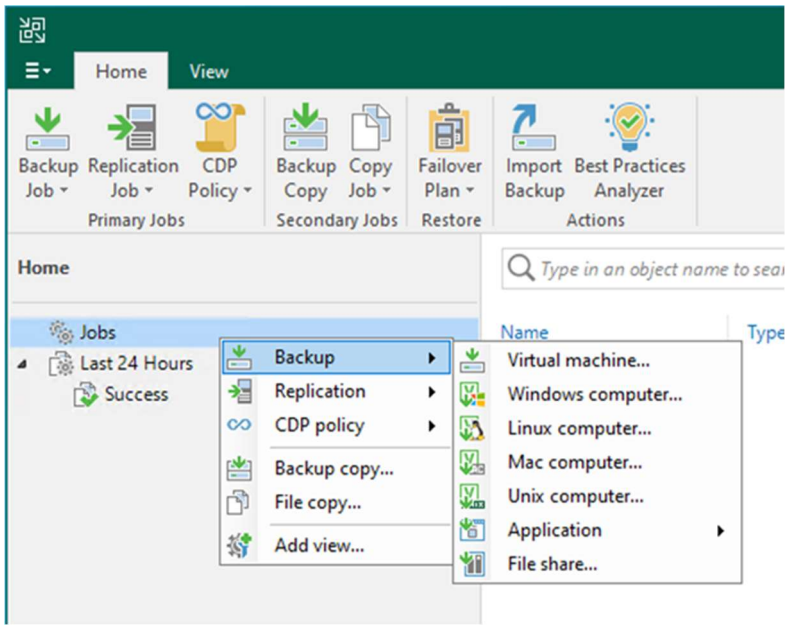
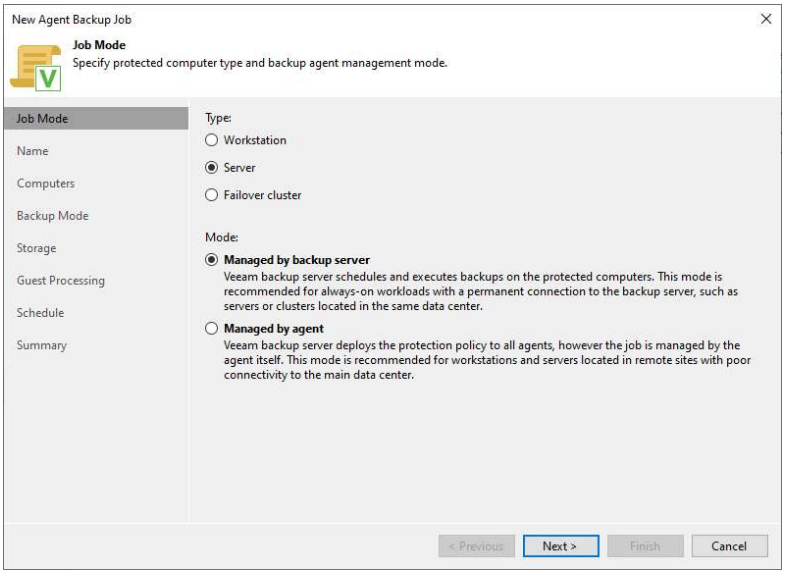
3. Enter the MFA Confirmation code and click Confirm.



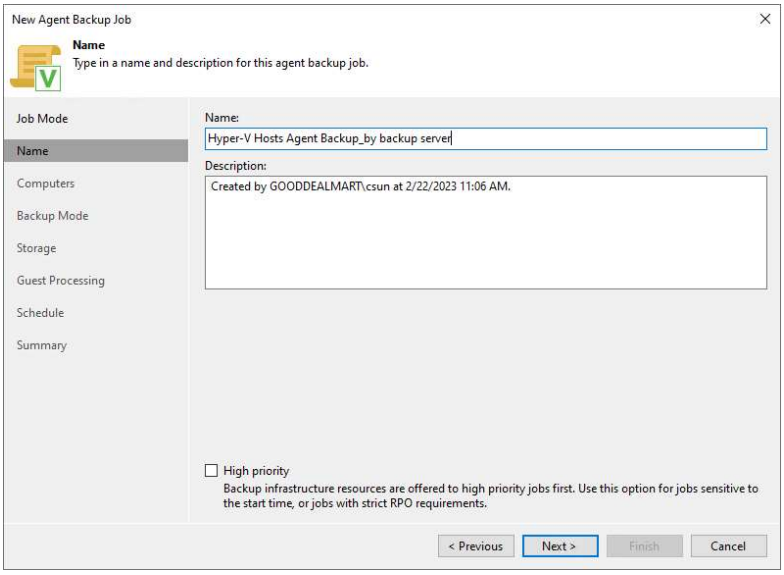
4. Select Jobs on the Home page and right-click Jobs.
5. Select Backup and click Windows computer.



6. Select Managed by backup server mode on the Job Mode page and click Next.



7. On the Name page, enter a name for the backup job in the Name field.
8. Give a brief description in the Description field for the future.
9. Click Next.



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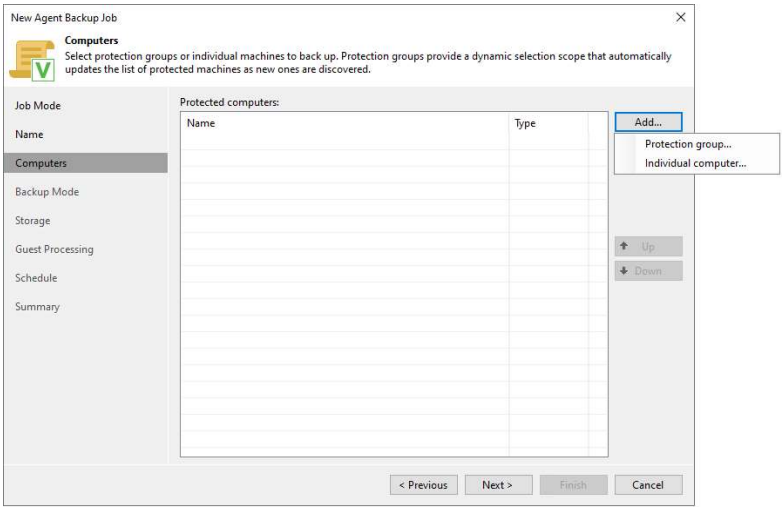
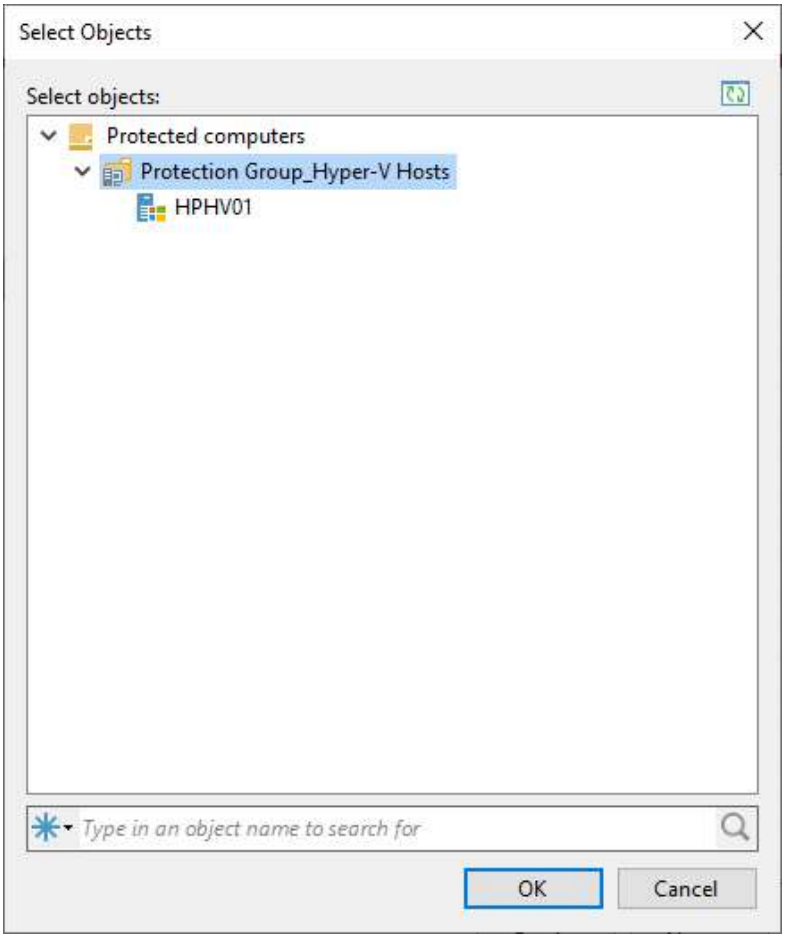
10. On the Computers page, click Add and select Protection group.



11. Select the protection group on the Select Objects page and click OK.
12. You can select multiple protection groups for the same backup job and repeat the step to add them.



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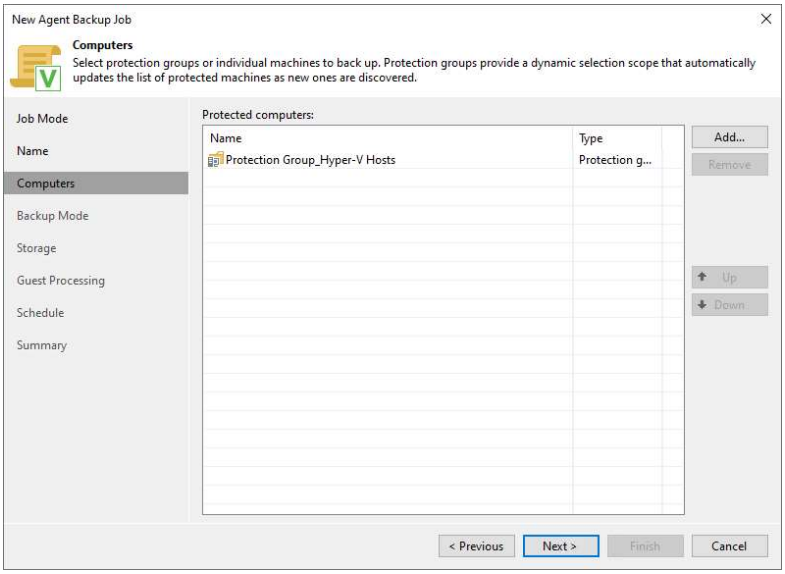
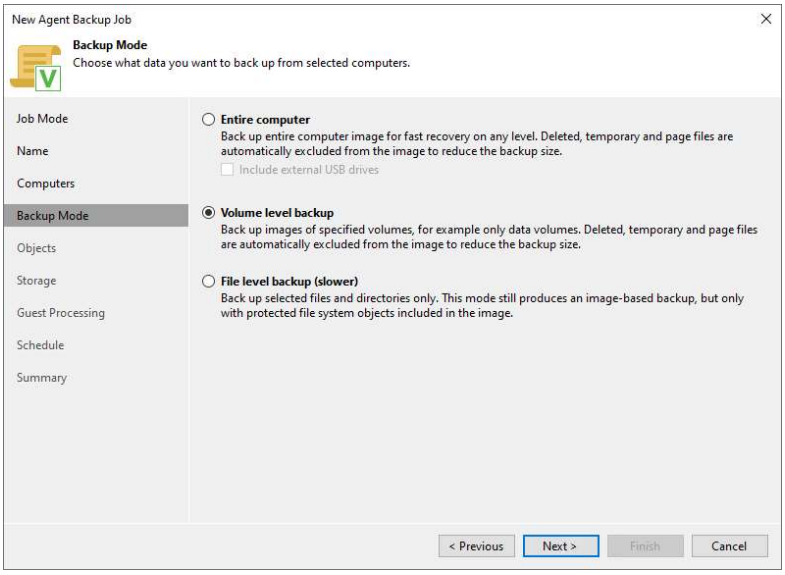
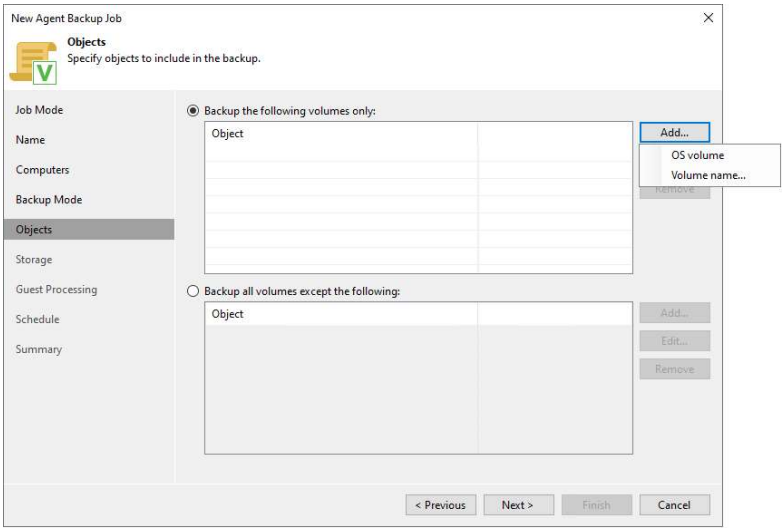
13. Click Next on the Computers page.



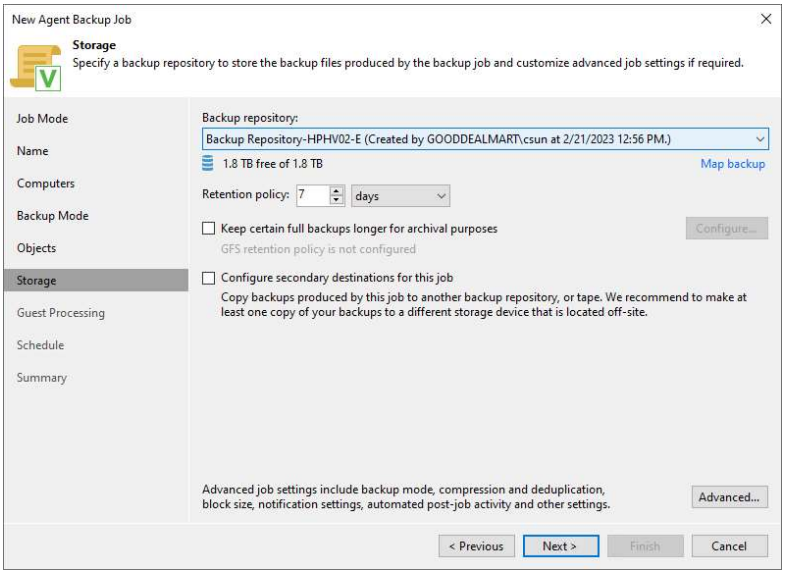
14. Select Volume level backup mode on the Backup Mode page to back up the specified computer volumes and click Next.



15. On the Objects page, select Backup the following volumes only.
16. Click Add and select OS volume.
17. Click Next



18. Select the backup repository from the Backup repository drop-down list on the Storage page.



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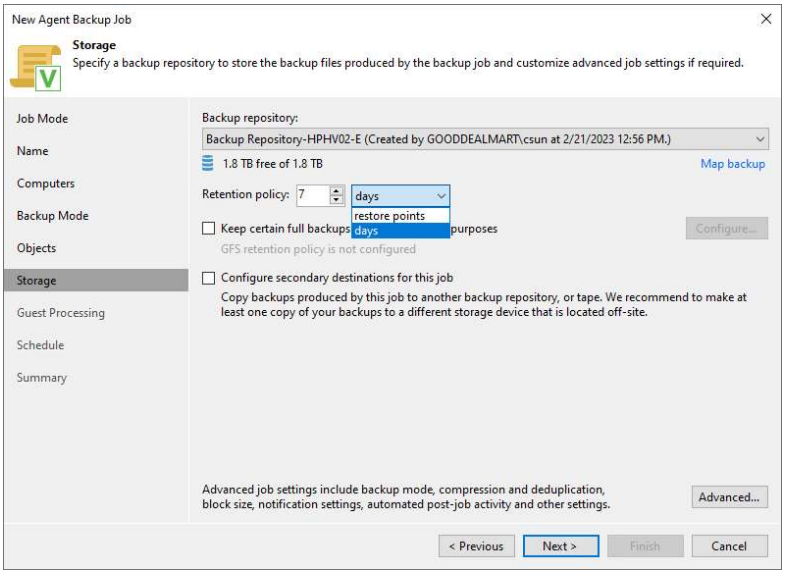
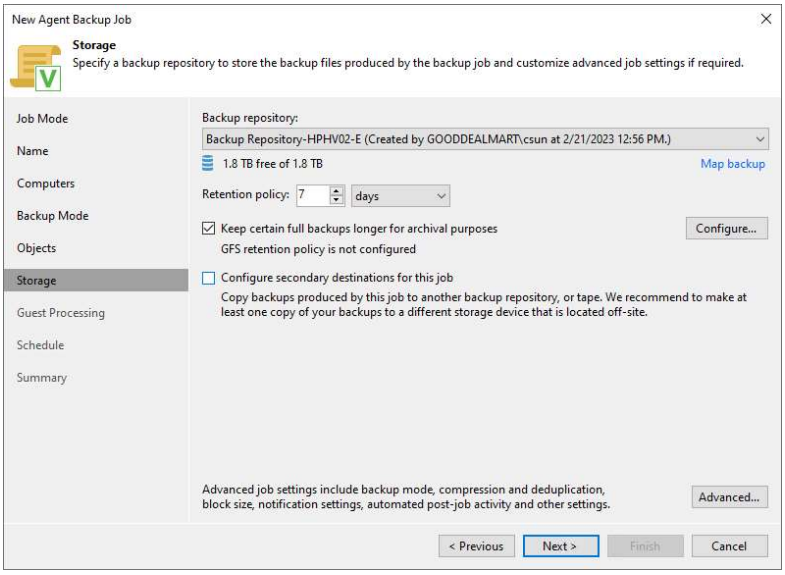
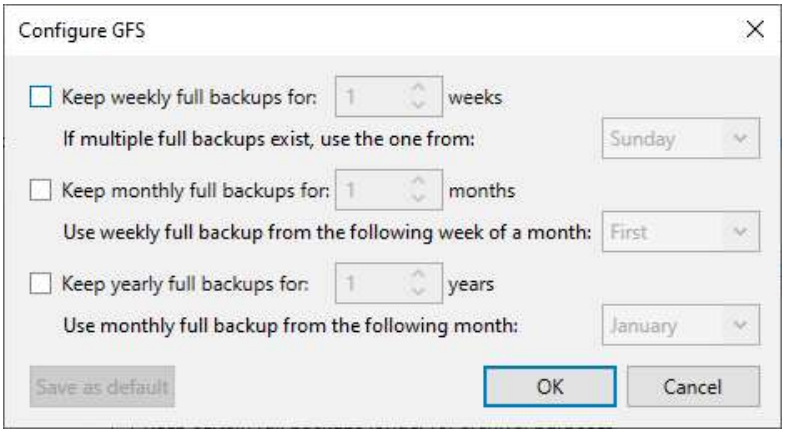
19. Set the retention policy settings for restore points in the Retention Policy field.
20. Select days or restore points from the drop-down list.



21. You can configure GFS retention policy settings for the backup job to ignore the short-term retention policy for some full backups and store them for long-term archiving.
22. Select the Keep certain full backups for longer for archival purposes. Then, if you need it, click Configure.



23. Select the Keep weekly full backups for check box, and specify the number of weeks you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
24. Select the Keep monthly full backups for check box, and specify the months you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
25. Select the Keep yearly full backups for check box, and specify the years you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
26. Click OK.



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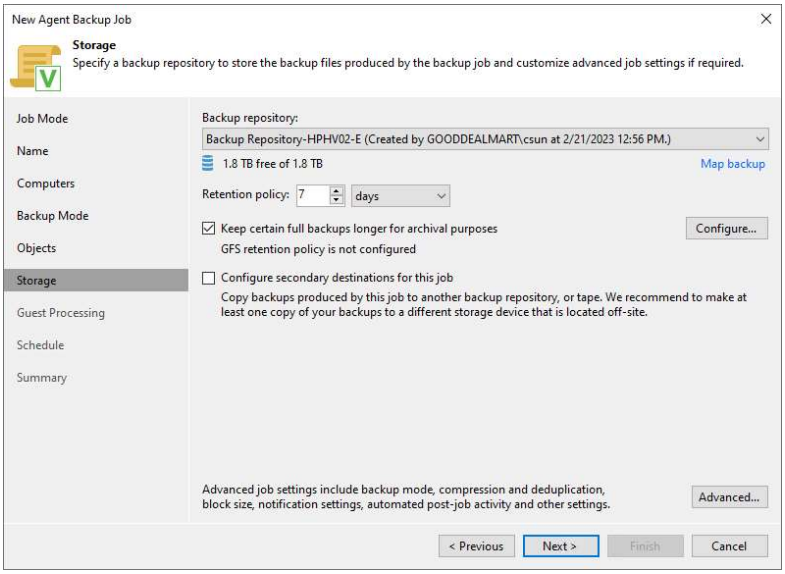
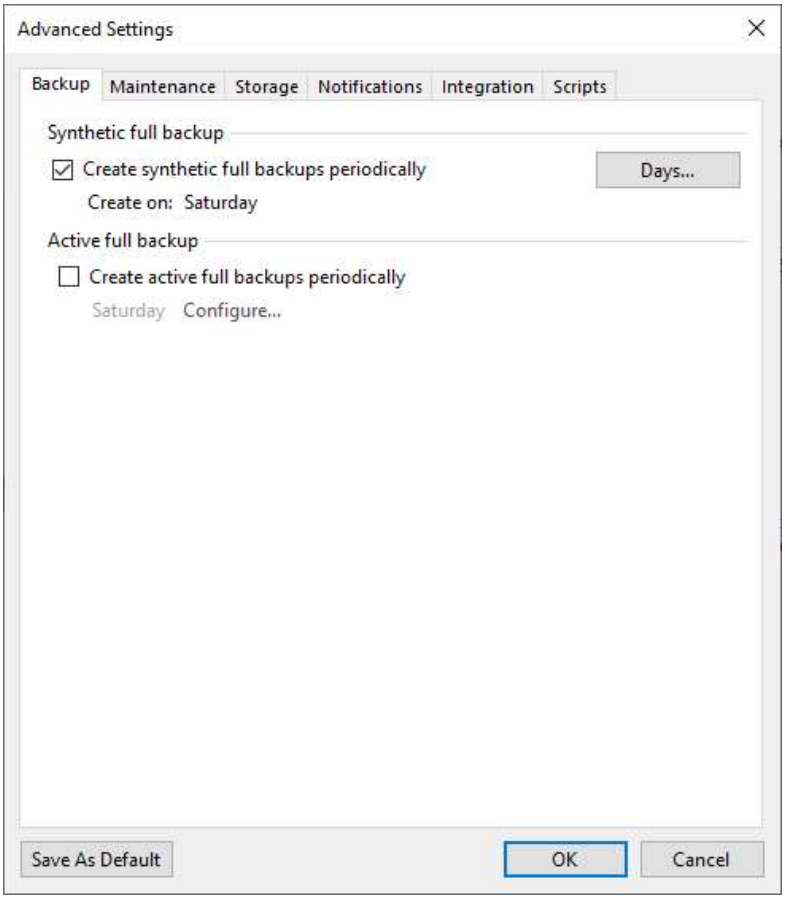
27. On the Storage page, click Advanced.



28. Select Create synthetic full backups or Active full backups periodically checkbox.
29. Schedule full backups periodically and click OK.



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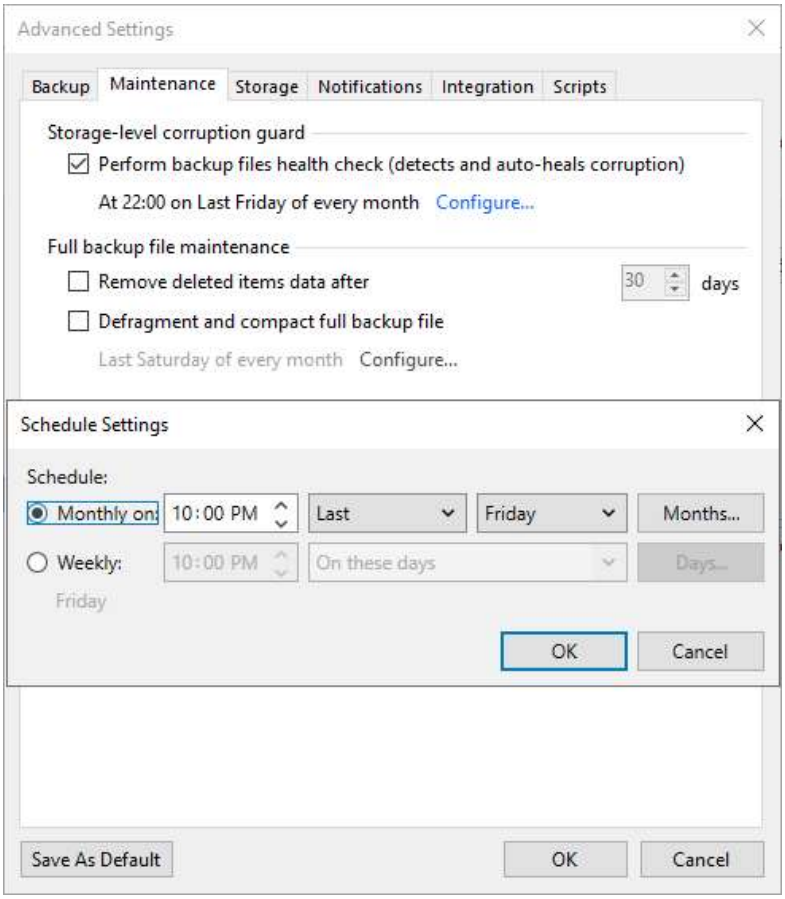
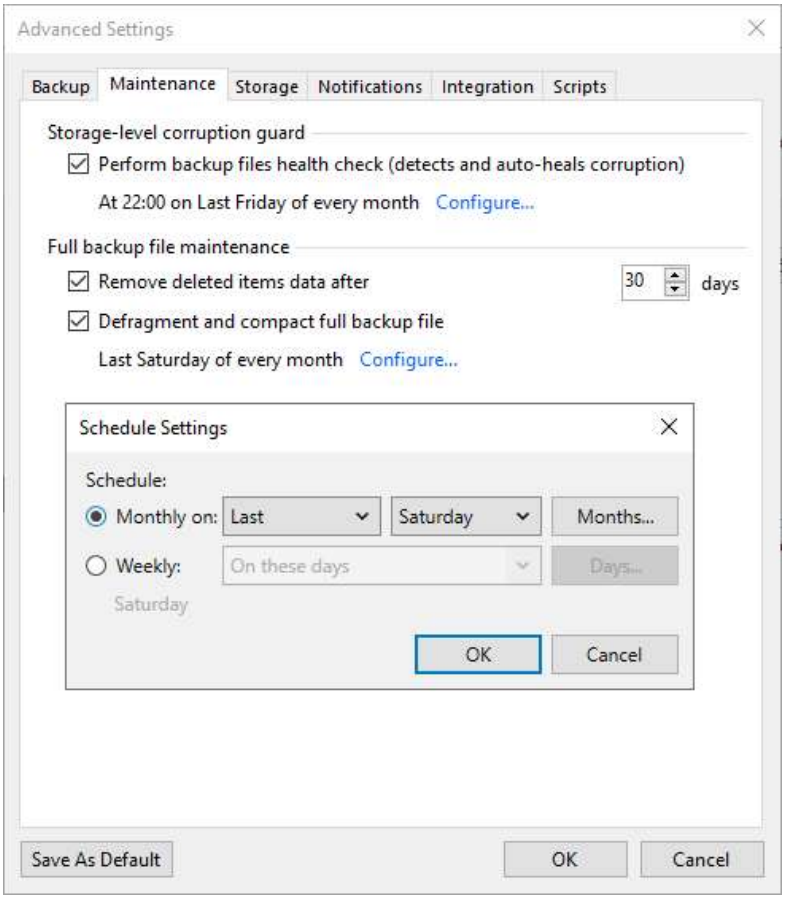
30. On the Advanced Settings, select Maintenance.
31. To regularly perform a health check on the backup chain's most recent restore point, select the Perform backup files health check (detects and auto-heals corruption) checkbox in the Storage-level corruption guard section.
32. Click Configure to set a timetable for the health check.



33. Select the Remove deleted items data after the checkbox and enter the few days you want backup data for deleted VMs to be kept.
34. Select the Defragment and compact full backup file checkbox and click Configure.
35. Set the schedule for the compact operation to compact a full backup periodically.

Note:

You don’t need to enable the defragment and compact functionality checkbox if GFS retention is enabled.



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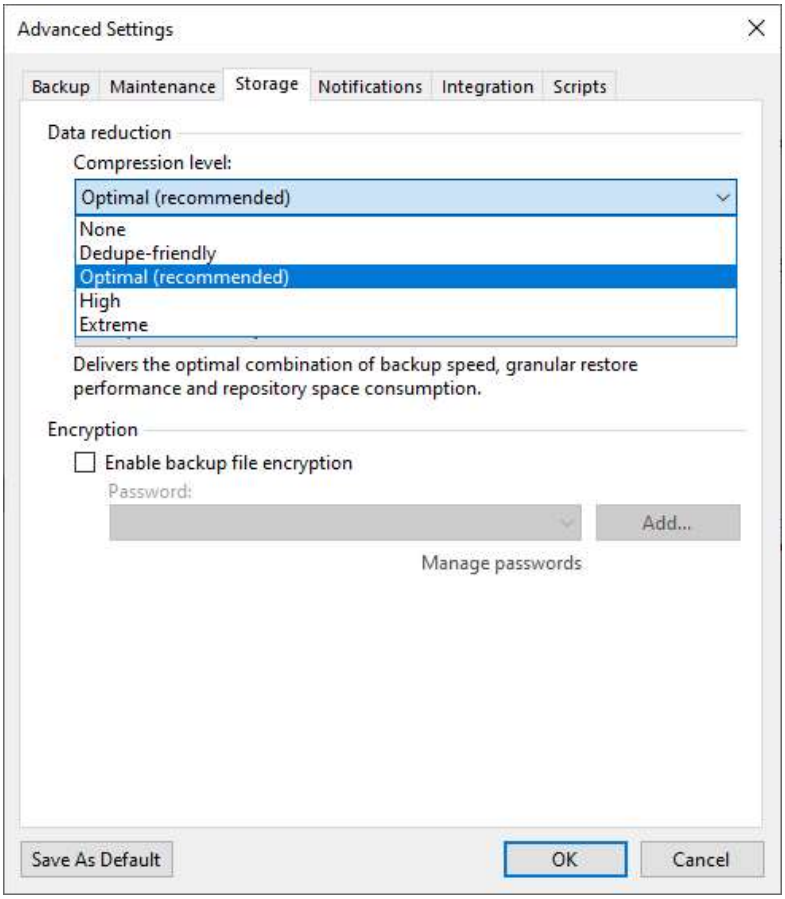
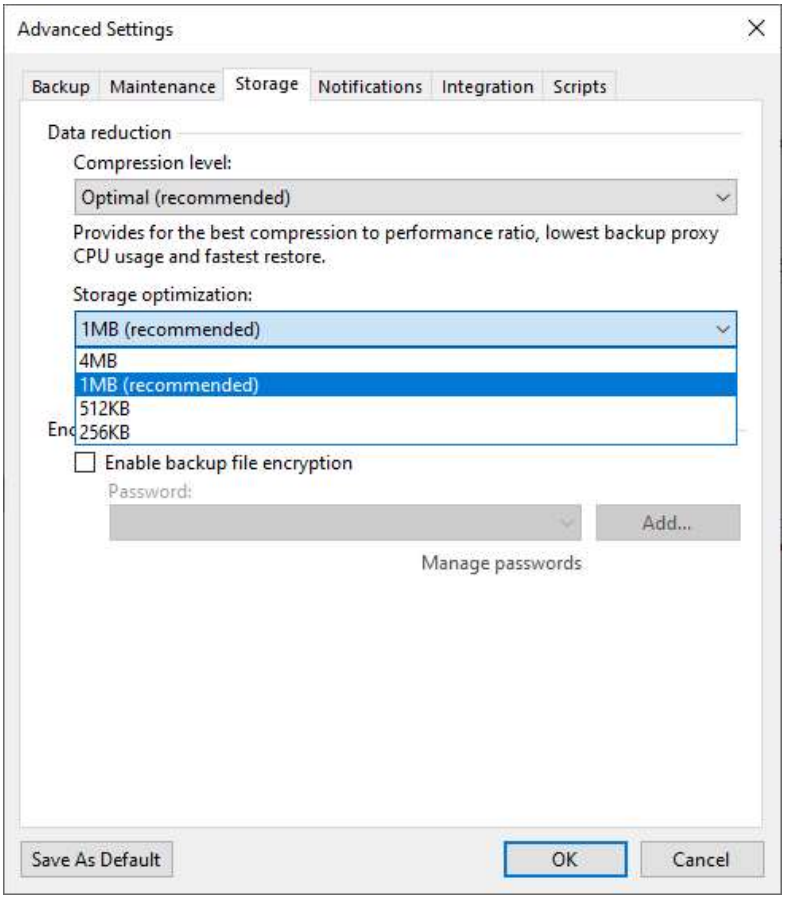
36. On Advanced Settings, select Storage.
37. Select the Compression level from the drop-down list.



38. Select Storage optimization from the drop-down list.



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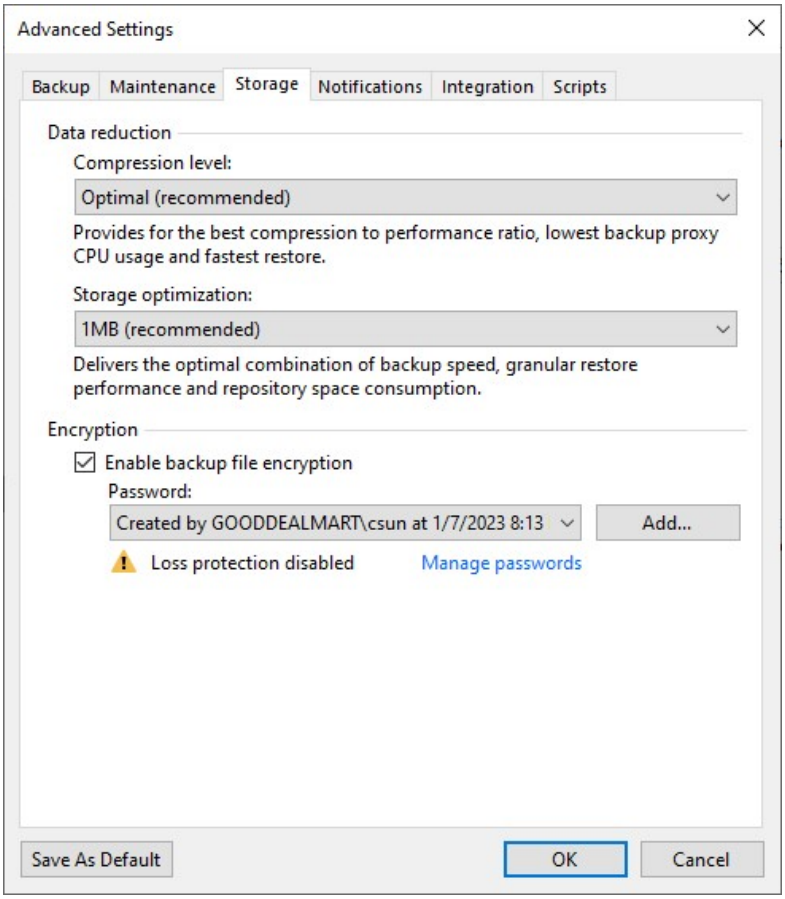
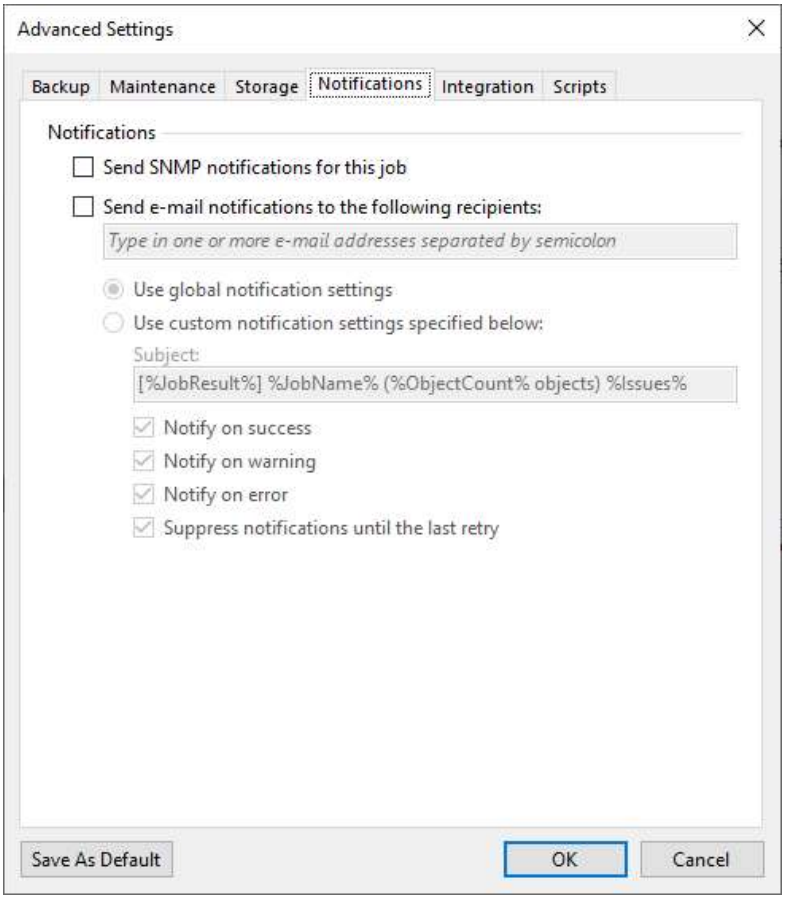
39. Select the Enable backup file encryption checkbox to encrypt the content of backup files.
40. Select a password from the drop-down list. Then, if you still need to do, click Add or use the Manage passwords link to create a new password.



41. On the Advanced Settings, select Notifications.
42. Keep the default settings.



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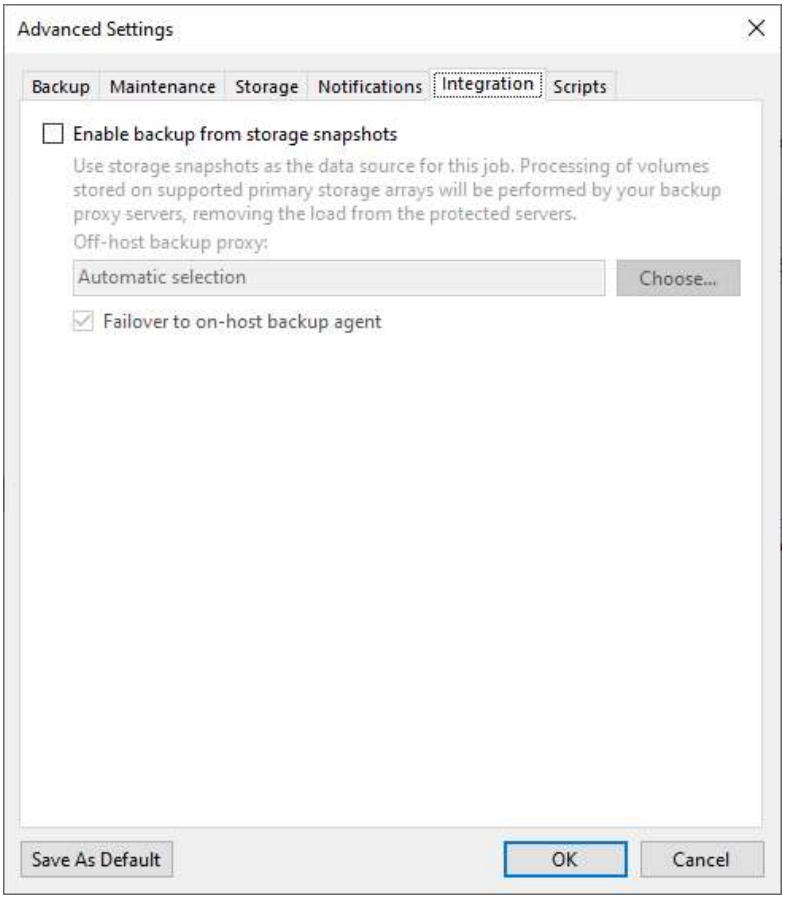
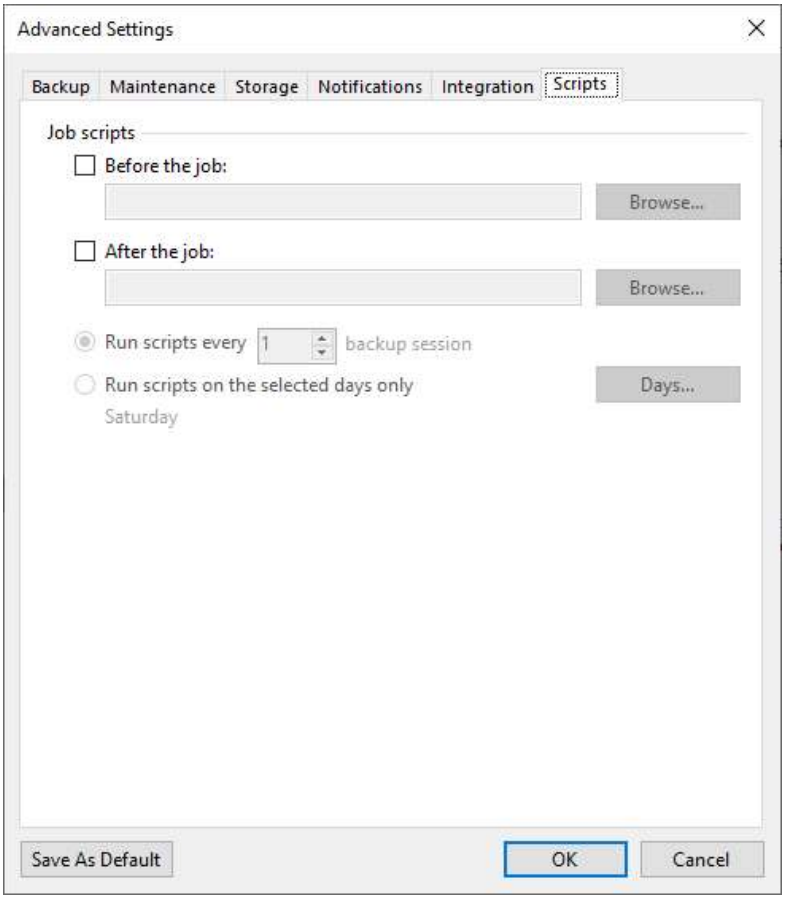
43. On the Advanced Settings, select Integration.
44. Keep the default settings.



45. On the Advanced Settings page, select Scripts.
46. Keep the default settings and click OK.



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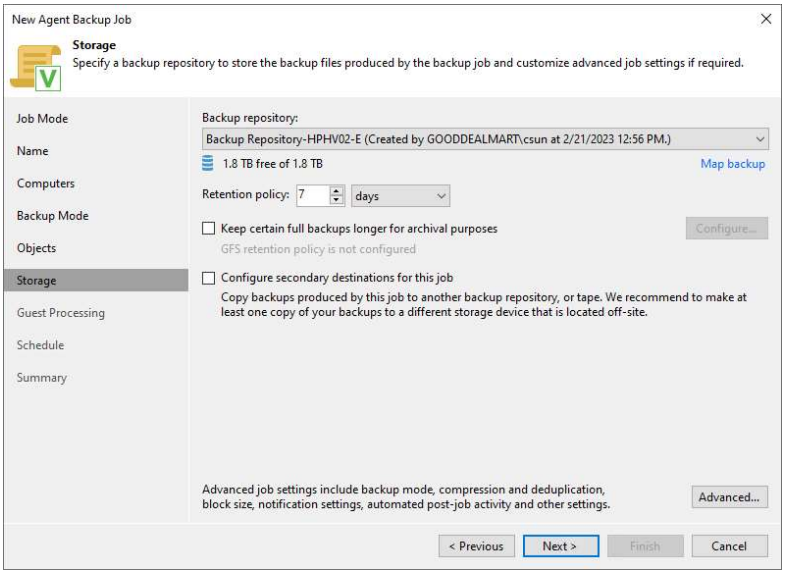
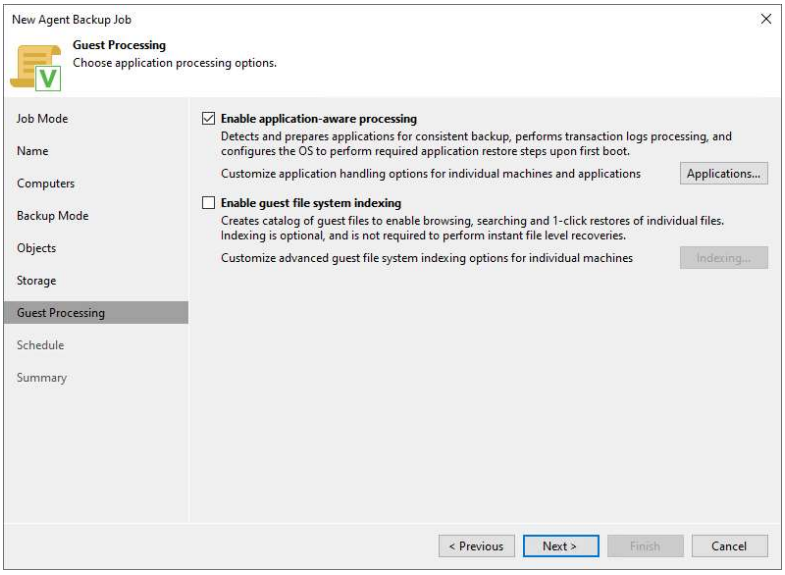


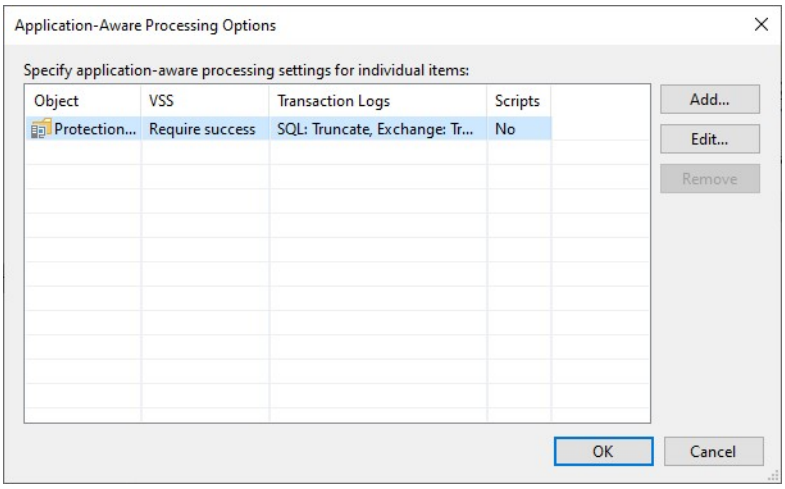
48. When you add Physical machines running VSS-aware applications to the backup job, you can enable application-aware processing to create a transactionally consistent backup. The transactionally consistent backup ensures that applications on VMs can be recovered without data loss.



49. Select the Enable application-aware processing checkbox on the Guest Processing

page, and click Applications.

50. On the Application-Aware Processing Options page, select the Object and click Edit.



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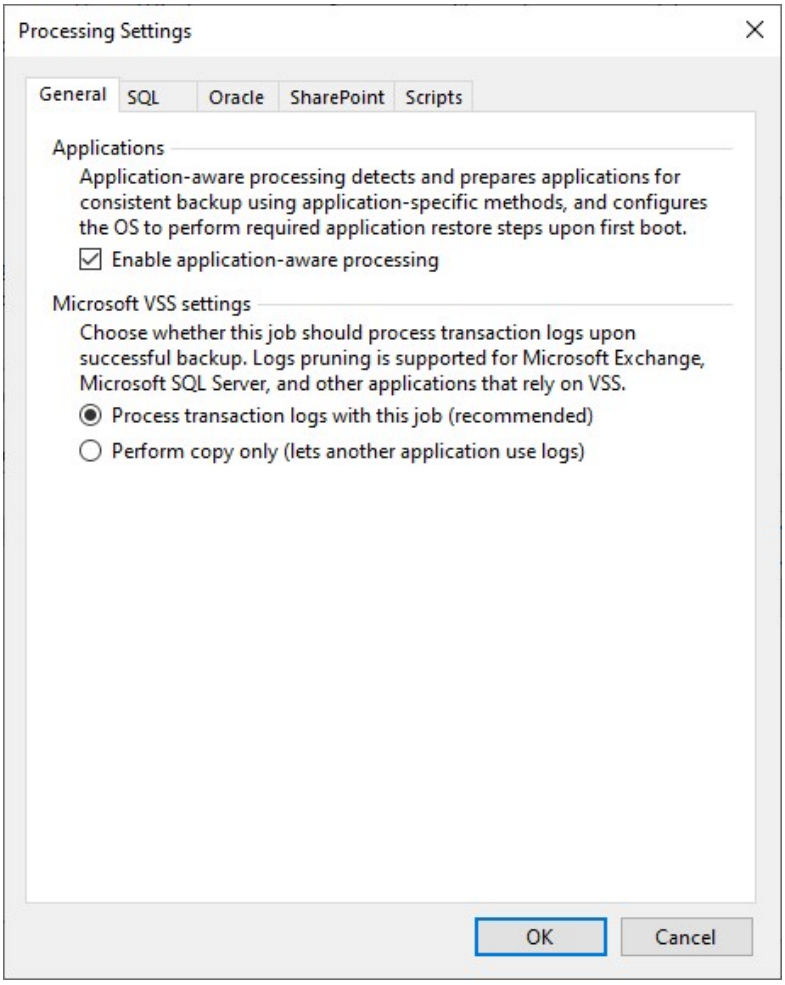
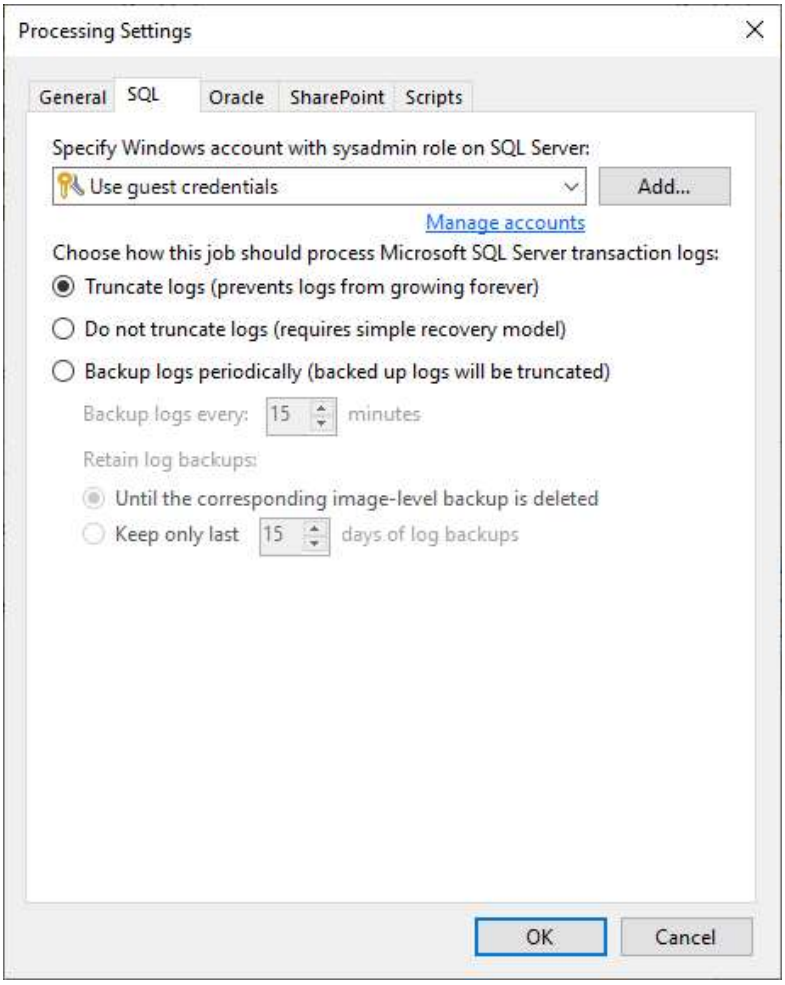
51. On the Processing Settings page, select General.
52. Select Enable application-aware processing checkbox.
53. Select Process transaction logs with this job (recommended).



54. On the Processing Settings page, click SQL if the Physical Machine is a Microsoft SQL Server.
55. Select a user account from the drop-down list.
56. Select Truncate logs (Prevents logs from growing forever).



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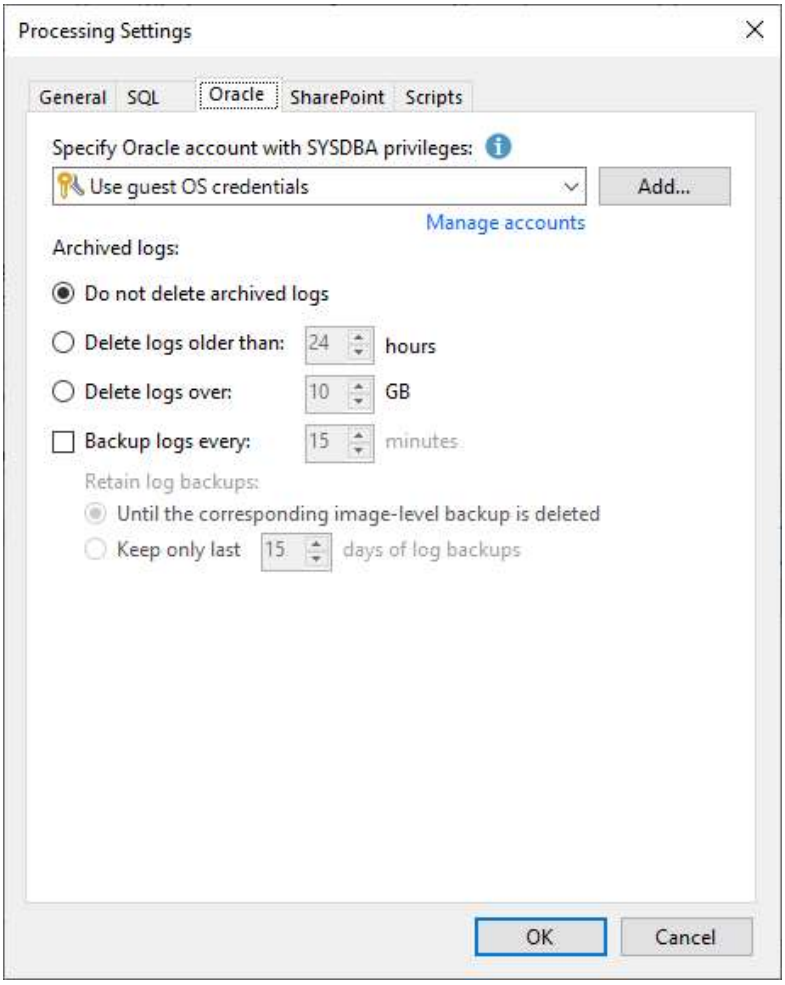
57. Select Oracle on the Processing Settings page if the Physical Machine is an Oracle Server.
58. Select a user account from the drop-down list.
59. Select Do not delete archived logs.



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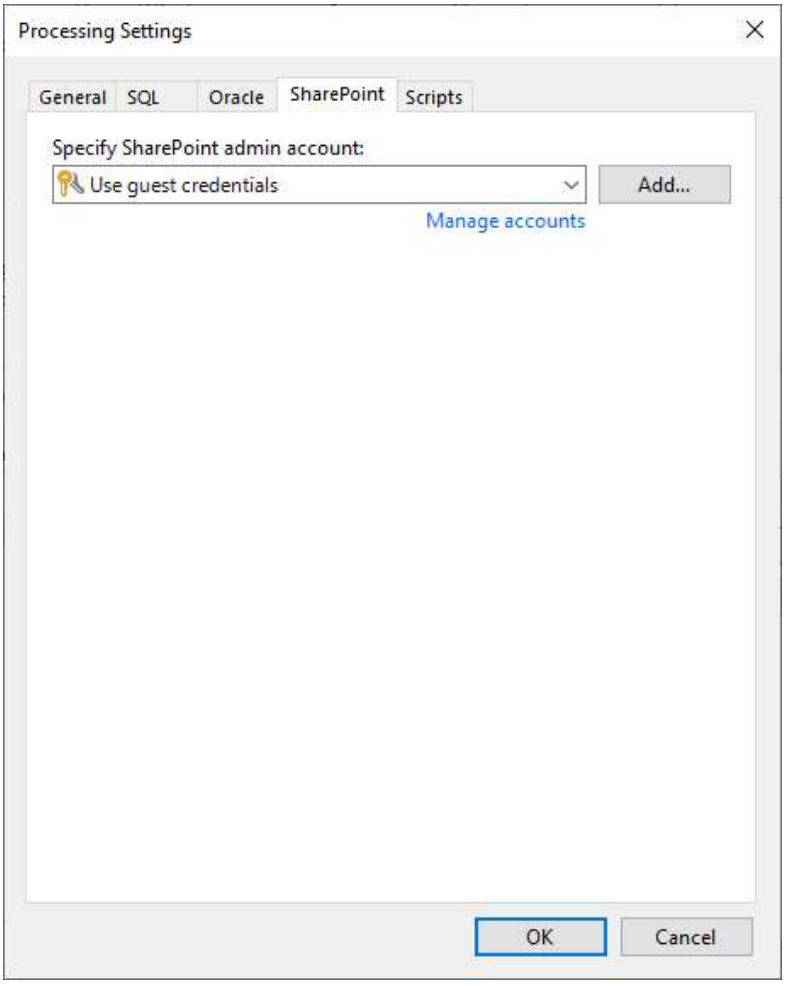

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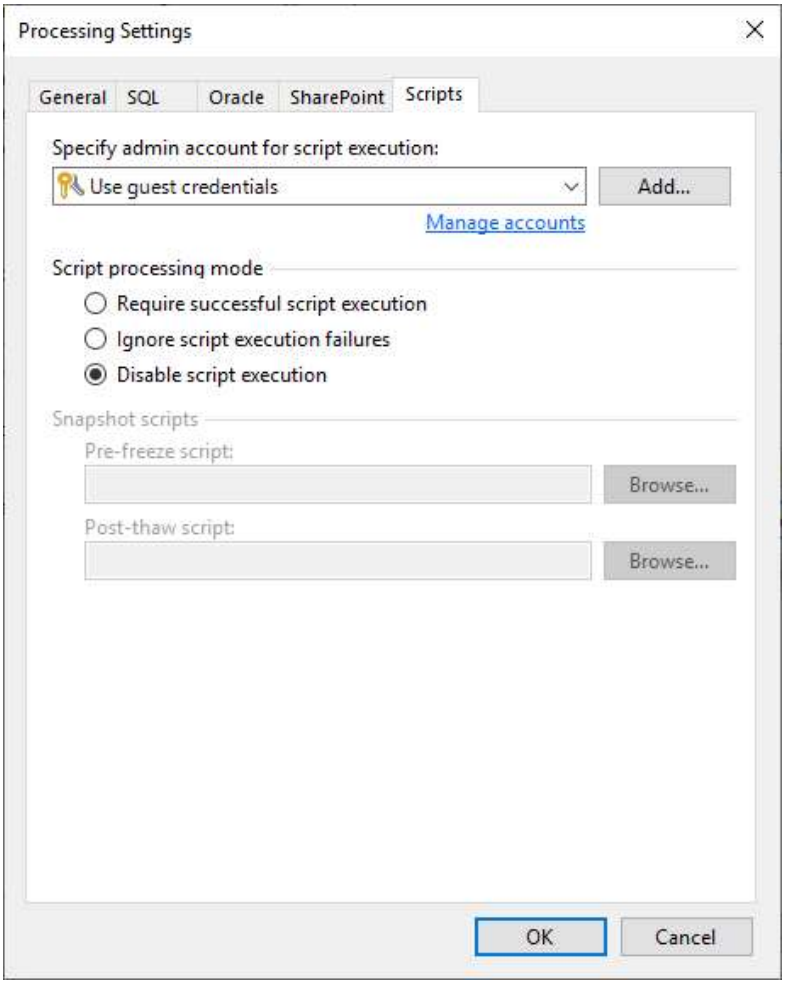
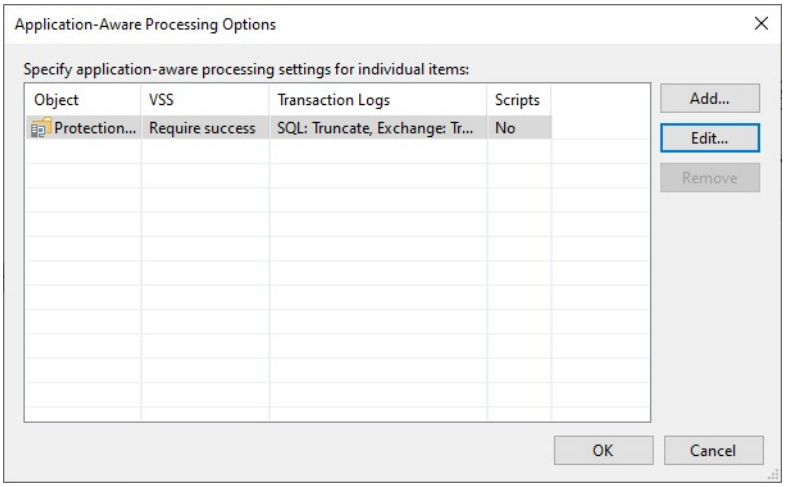
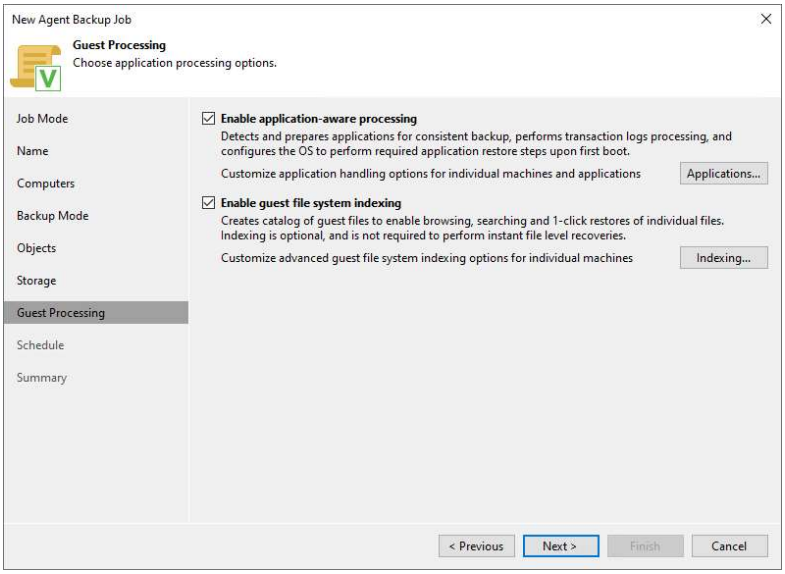
62. On the Processing Settings page, select Scripts.
63. Keep the default settings and click OK.



64. On the Application-Aware Processing Options page, click OK.



65. Select the Enable guest file system indexing checkbox and click Indexing.



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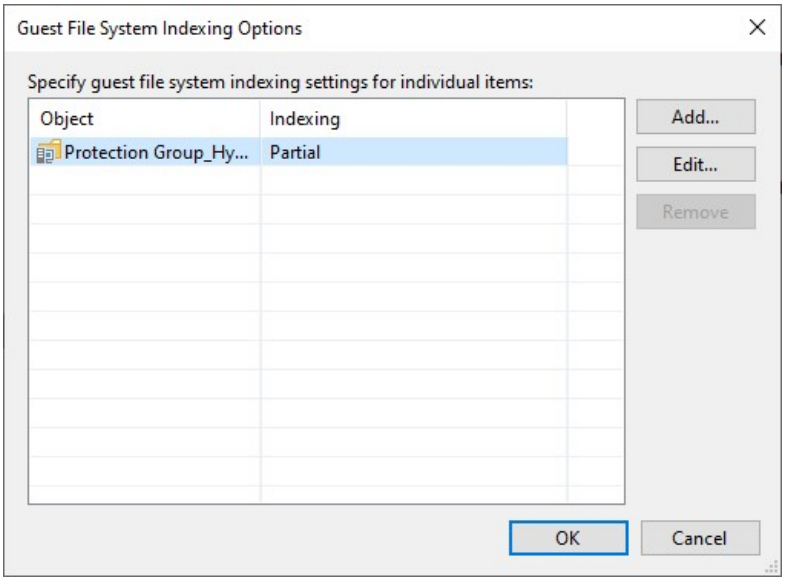
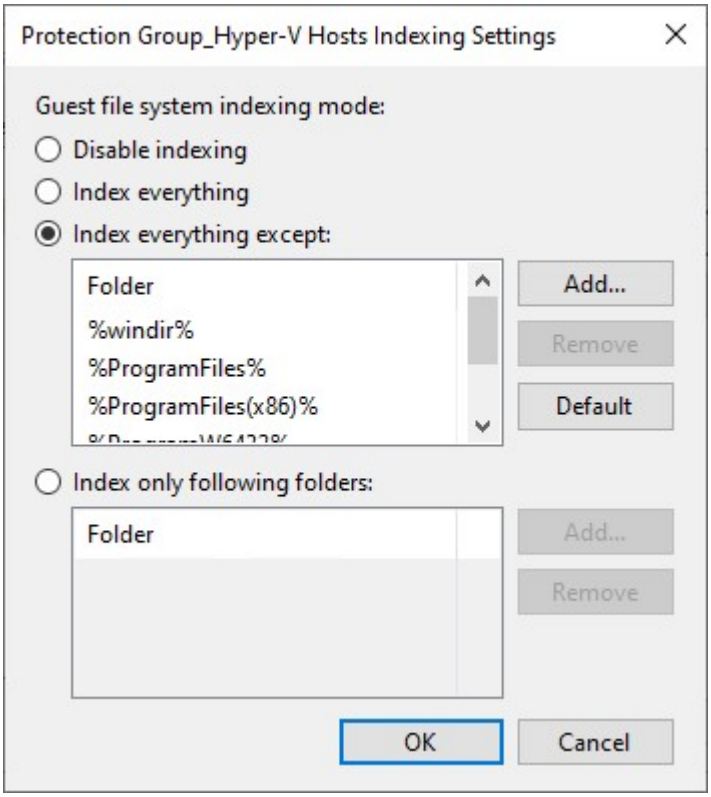


67. On the Guest file system indexing mode page, keep the default settings.
68. Click OK.



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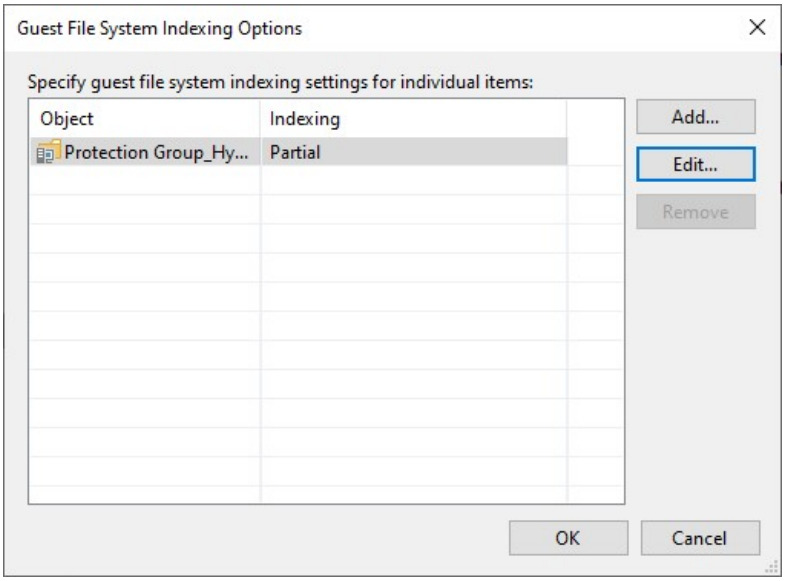
69. On the Guest File System Indexing Options page, click OK.



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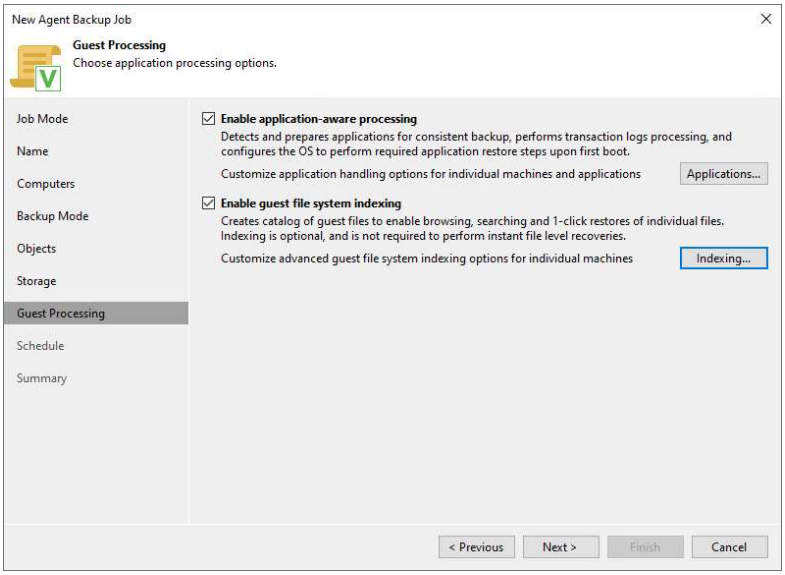

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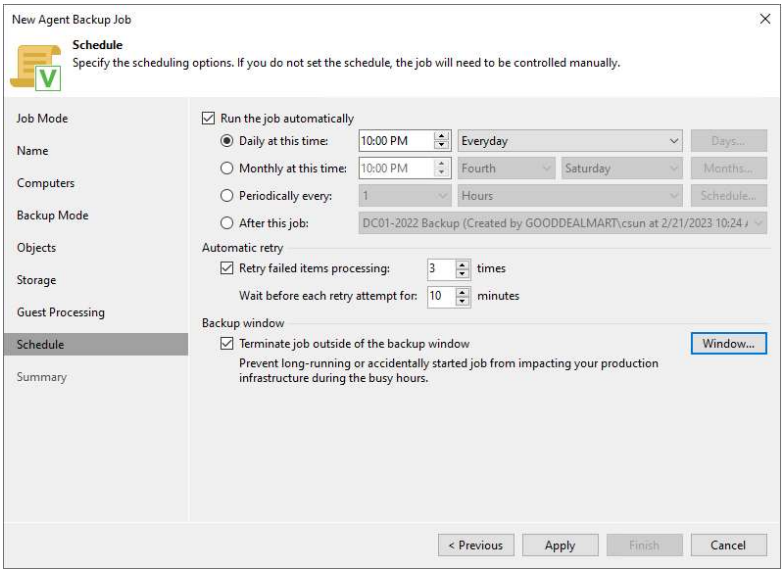

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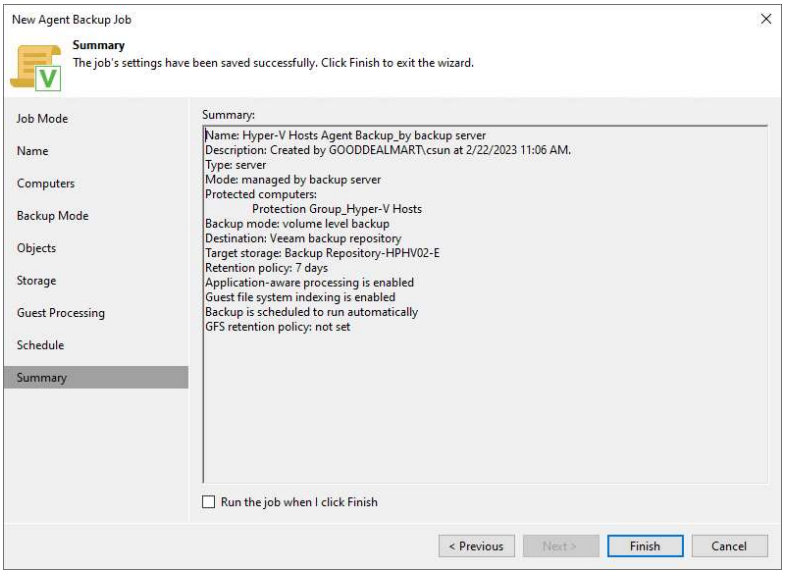
75. On the Summary page, click Finish.



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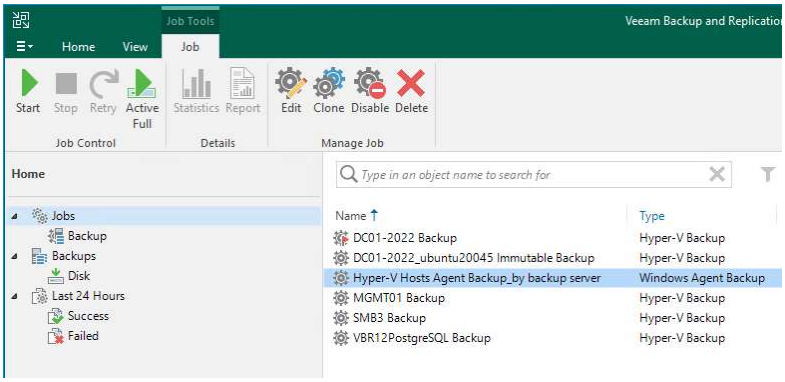
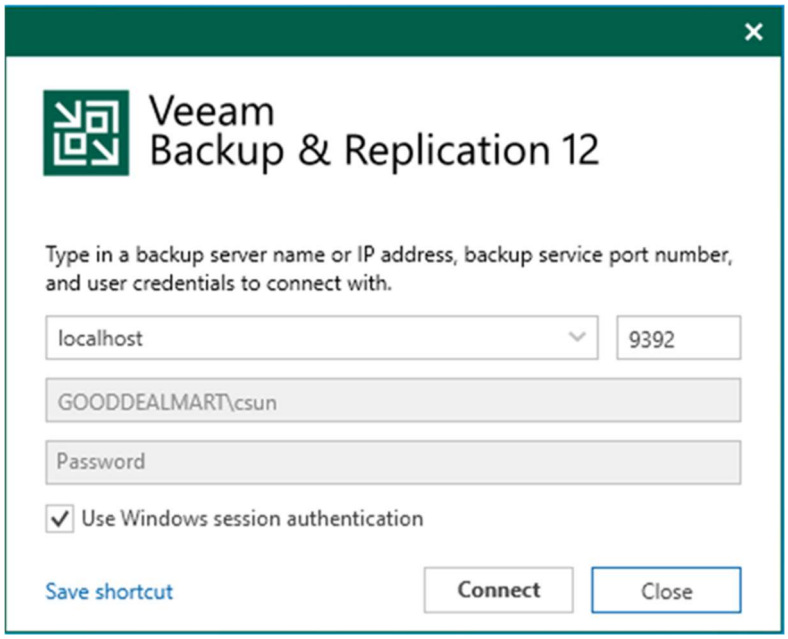


Create a Backup job to backup the specified Physical Machines (Managed by Agent Mode)

This procedure uses the managed backup server mode to create a backup job to back up the specific physical production machines.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

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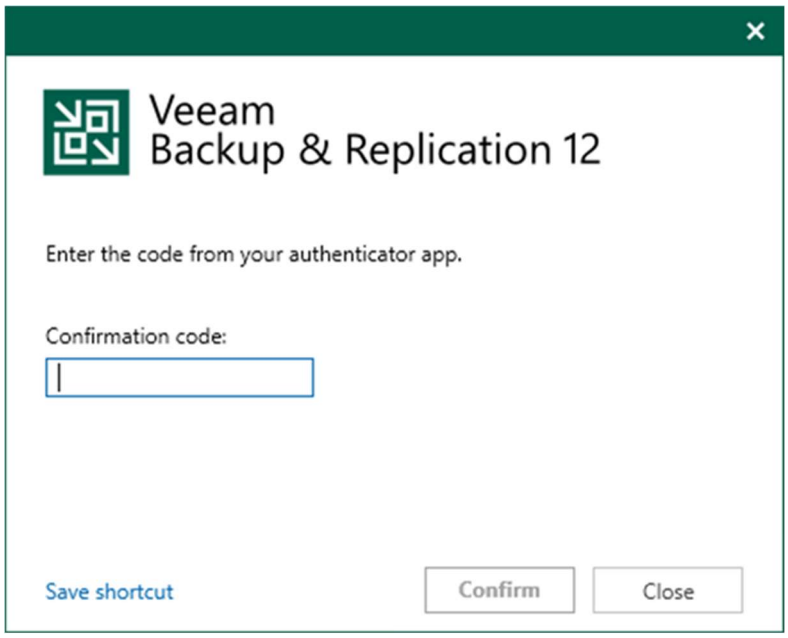
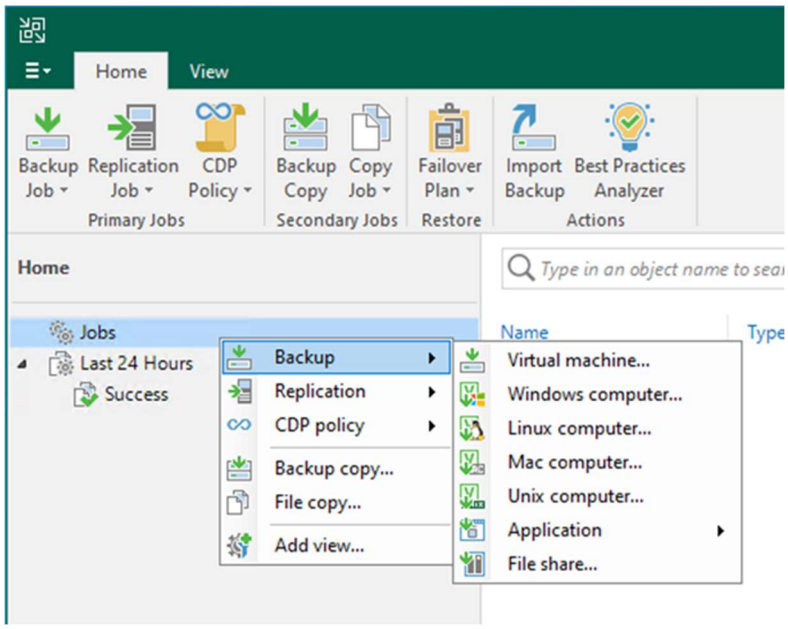
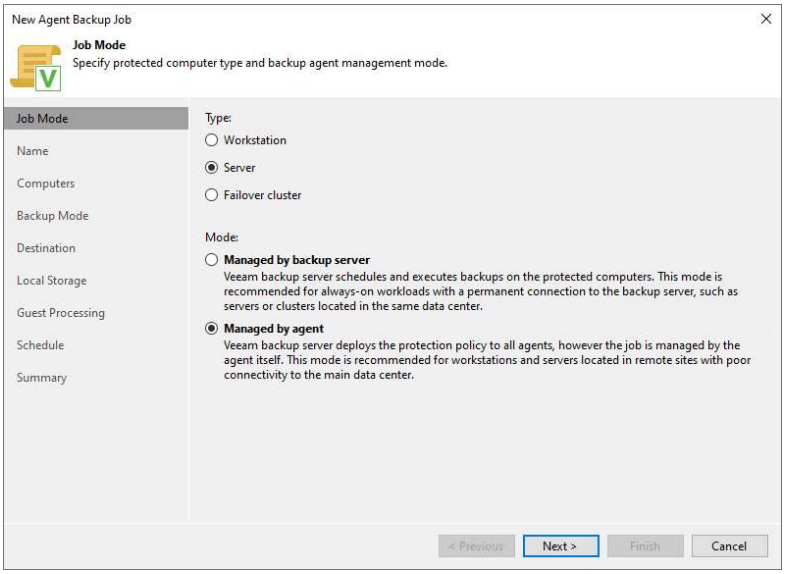
3. Enter the MFA Confirmation code and click Confirm.



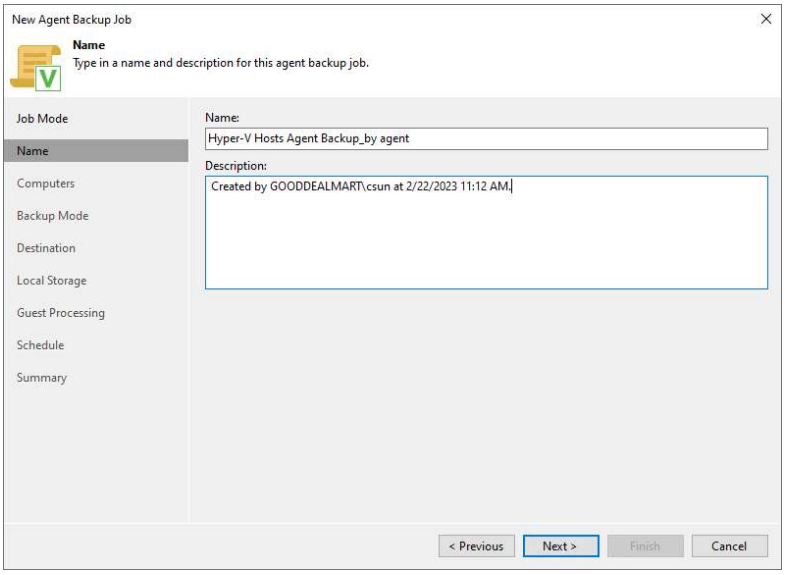
4. Select Jobs on the Home page and right-click Jobs.
5. Select Backup and click Windows computer.



6. On the Job Mode page, select Managed by agent mode and click Next.



7. On the Name page, enter a name for the backup job in the Name field.
8. Give a brief description in the Description field for the future.
9. Click Next.



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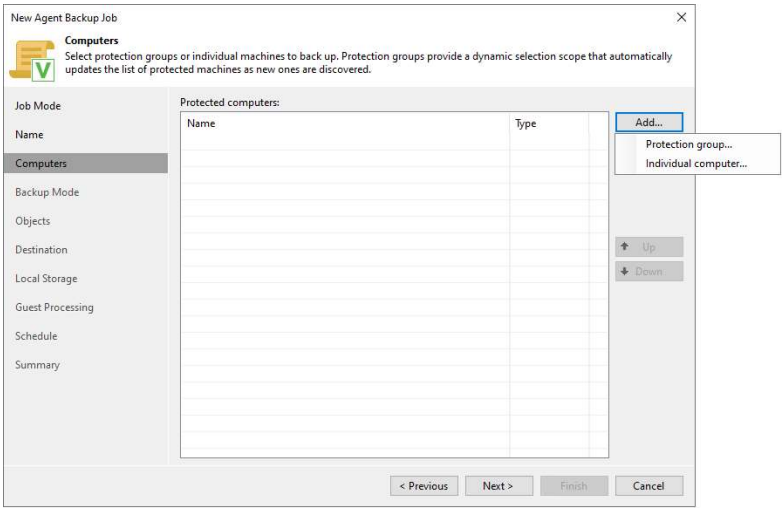
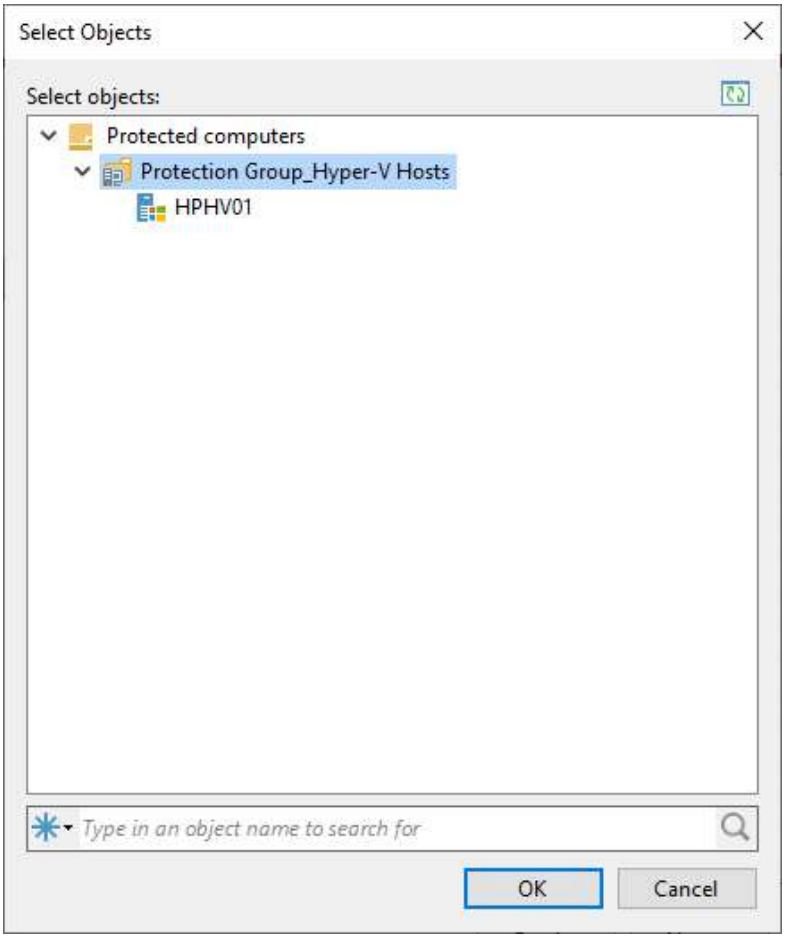
10. On the Computers page, click Add and select Protection group.



11. Select the protection group on the Select Objects page and click OK.
12. You can select multiple protection groups for the same backup job and repeat the step to add them.



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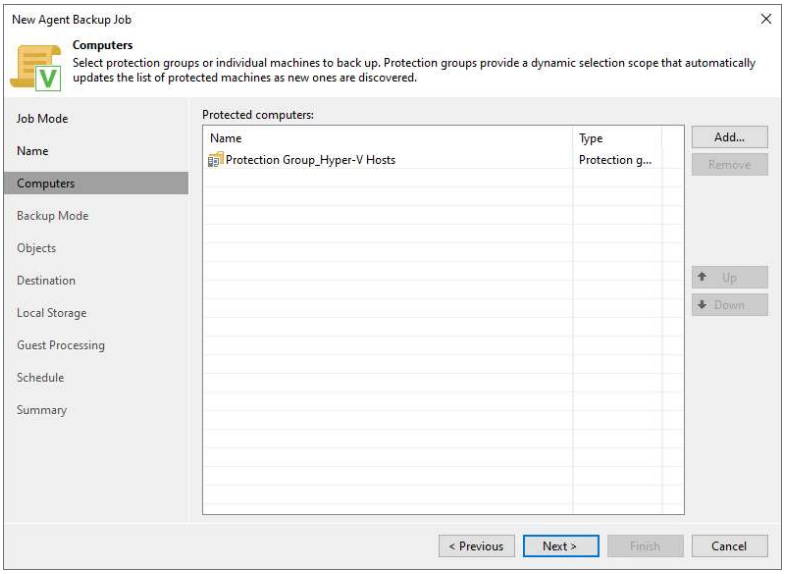
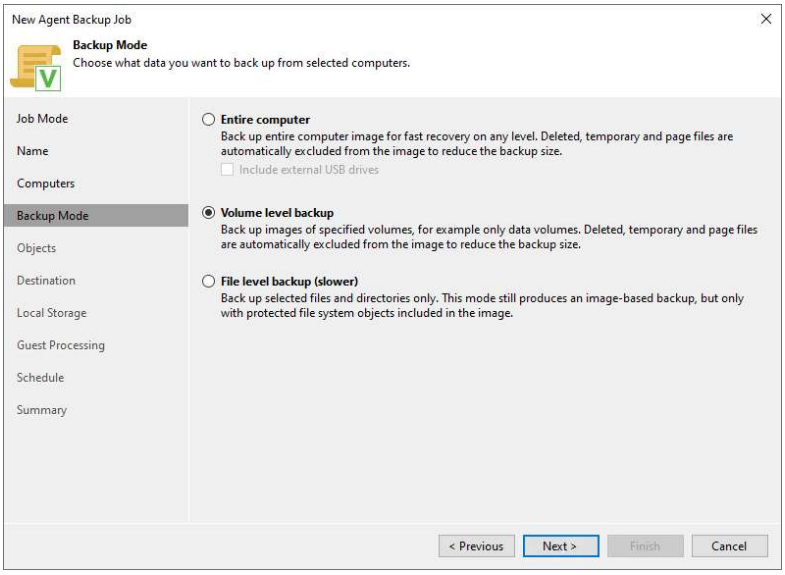
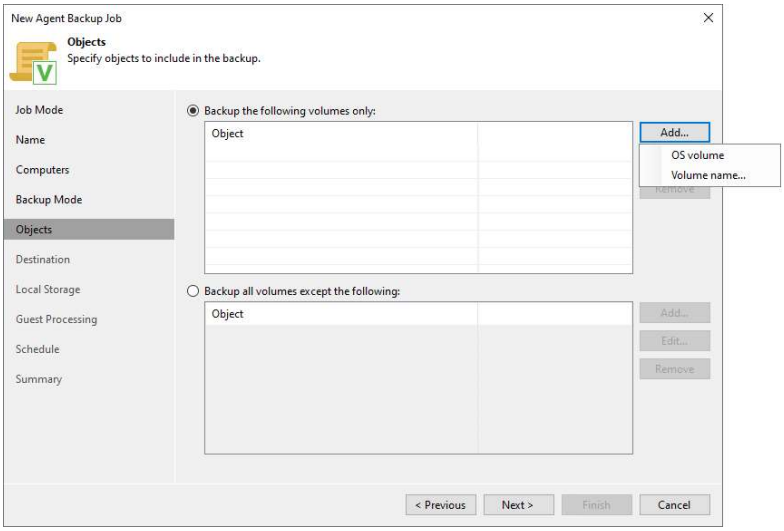
13. Click Next on the Computers page.



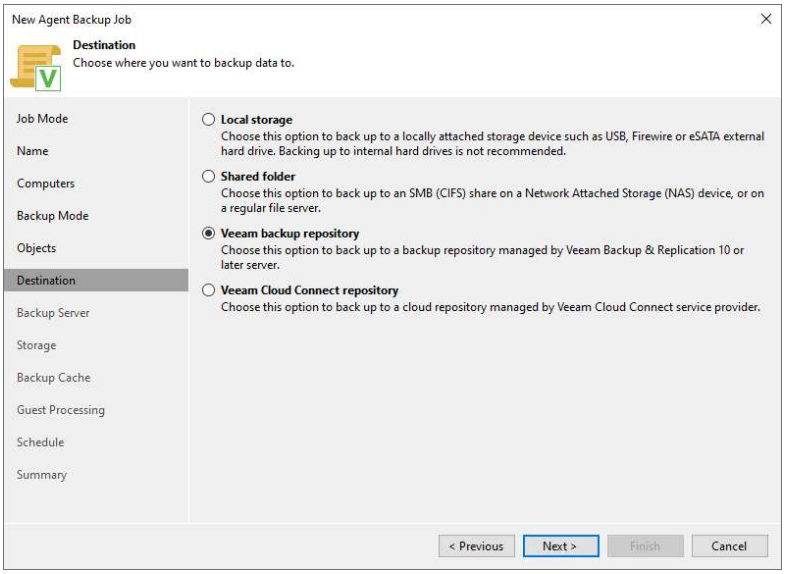
14. Select Volume level backup mode on the Backup Mode page to back up the specified computer volumes and click Next.



15. On the Objects page, select Backup the following volumes only.
16. Click Add and select OS volume.
17. Click Next



18. Select the Veeam backup repository and click Next.



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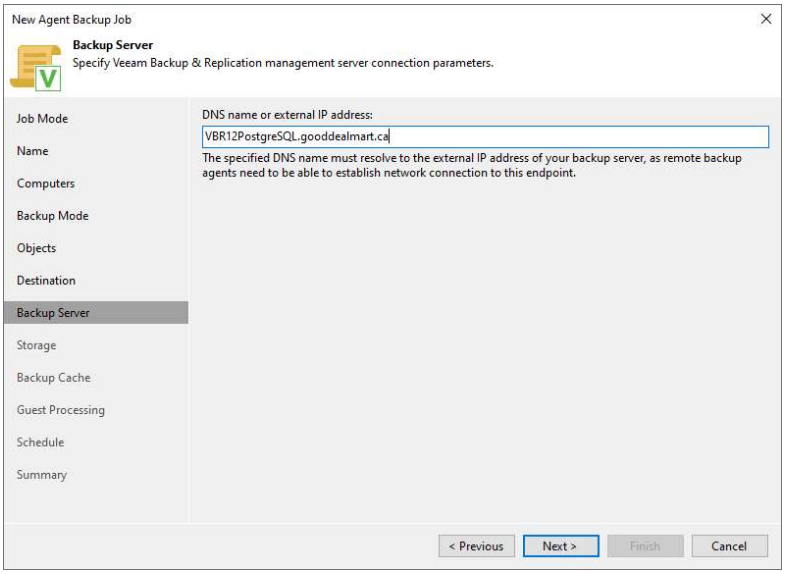
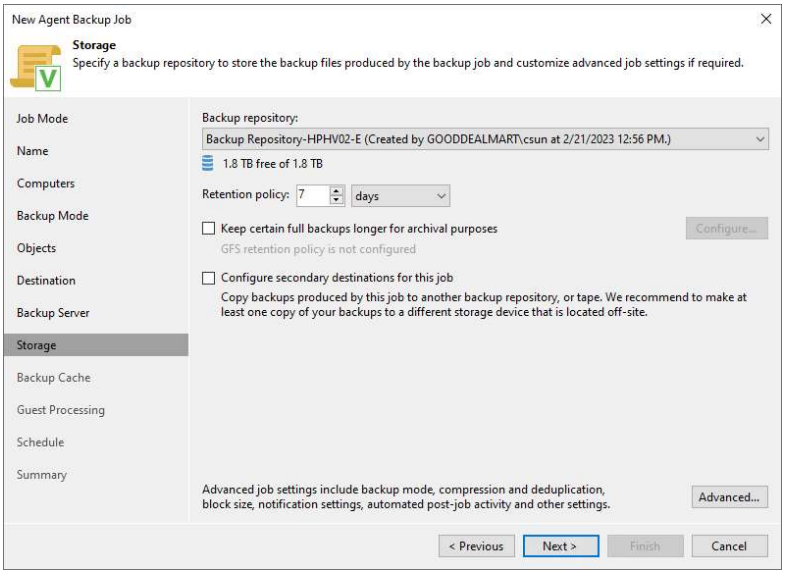
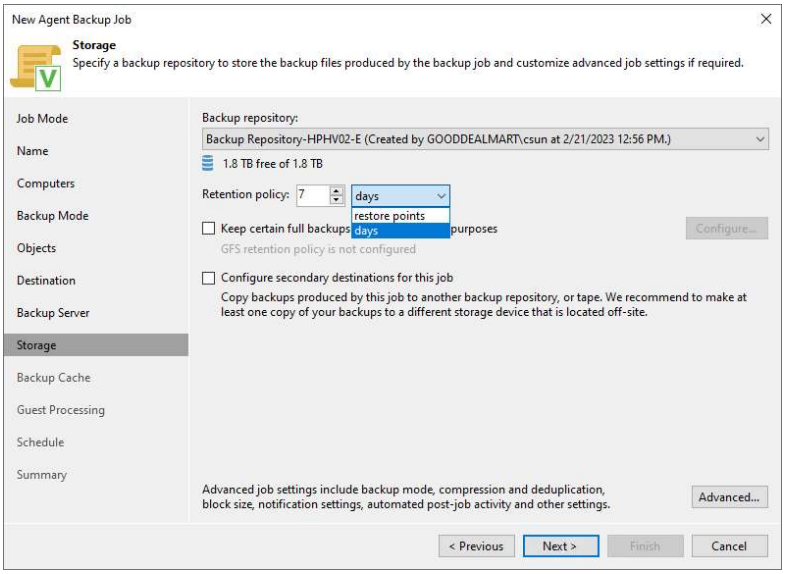
19. Enter the Veeam Backup and Replication manager server name or IP address in the DNS name or external IP address field on the Backup Server page.



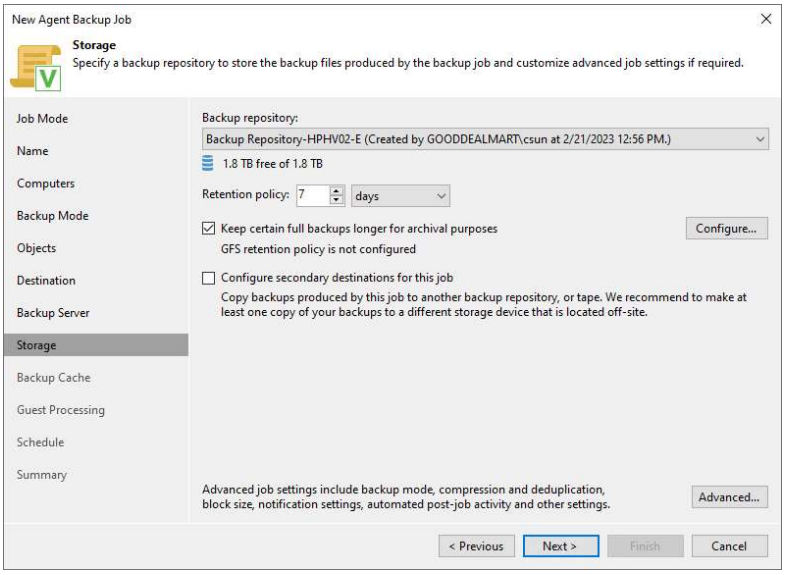
20. Select the backup repository from the Backup repository drop-down list on the Storage page.



21. Set the retention policy settings for restore points in the Retention Policy field.
22. Select days or restore points from the drop-down list.



23. You can configure GFS retention policy settings for the backup job to ignore the short-term retention policy for some full backups and store them for long-term archiving.
24. Select the Keep certain full backups for longer for archival purposes. Then, if you need it, click Configure.



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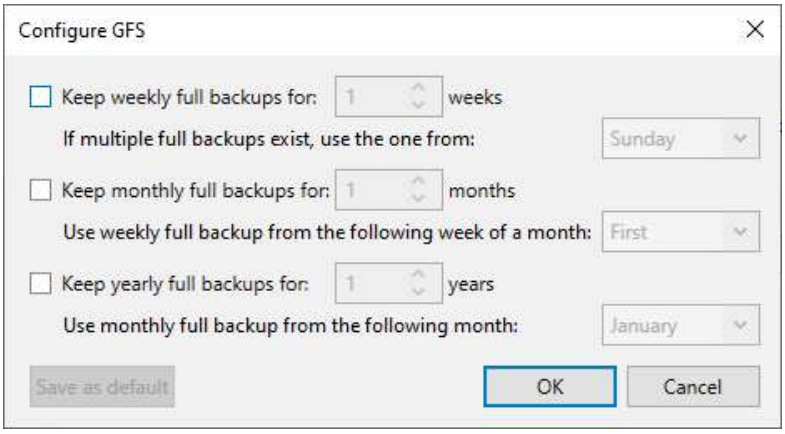
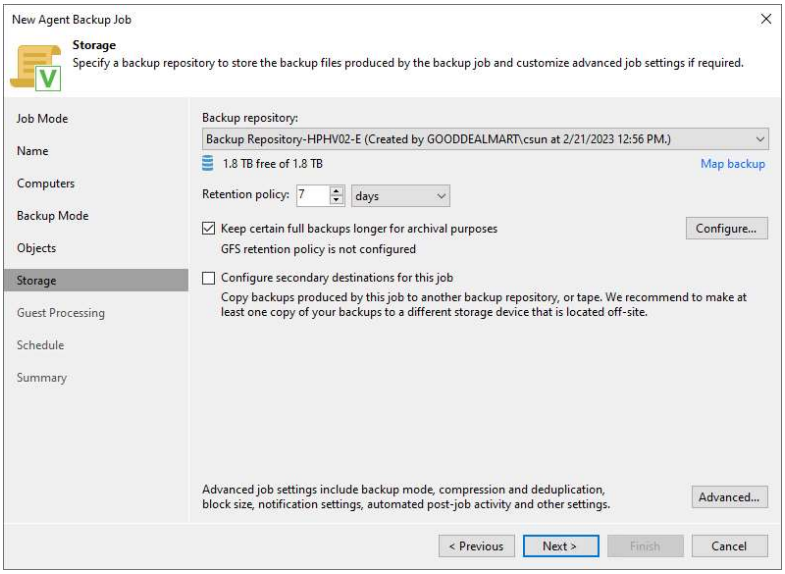
25. Select the Keep weekly full backups for checkbox, and specify the number of weeks you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
26. Select the Keep monthly full backups for checkbox, and specify the months you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
27. Select the Keep yearly full backups for checkbox, and specify the years you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
28. Click OK.



29. On the Storage page, click Advanced.



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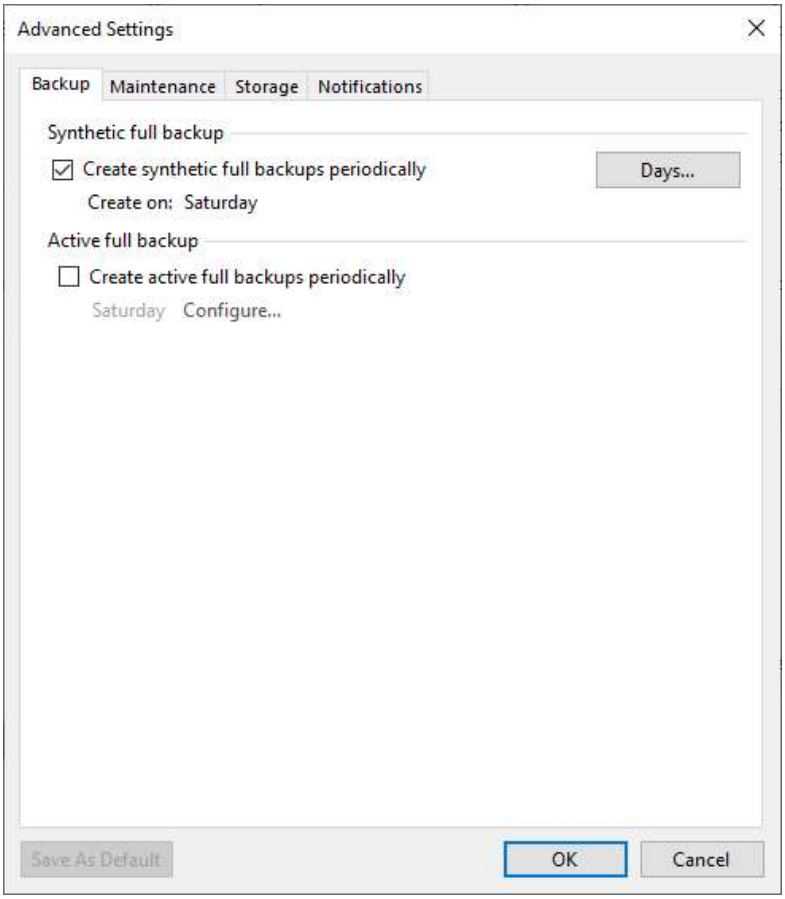
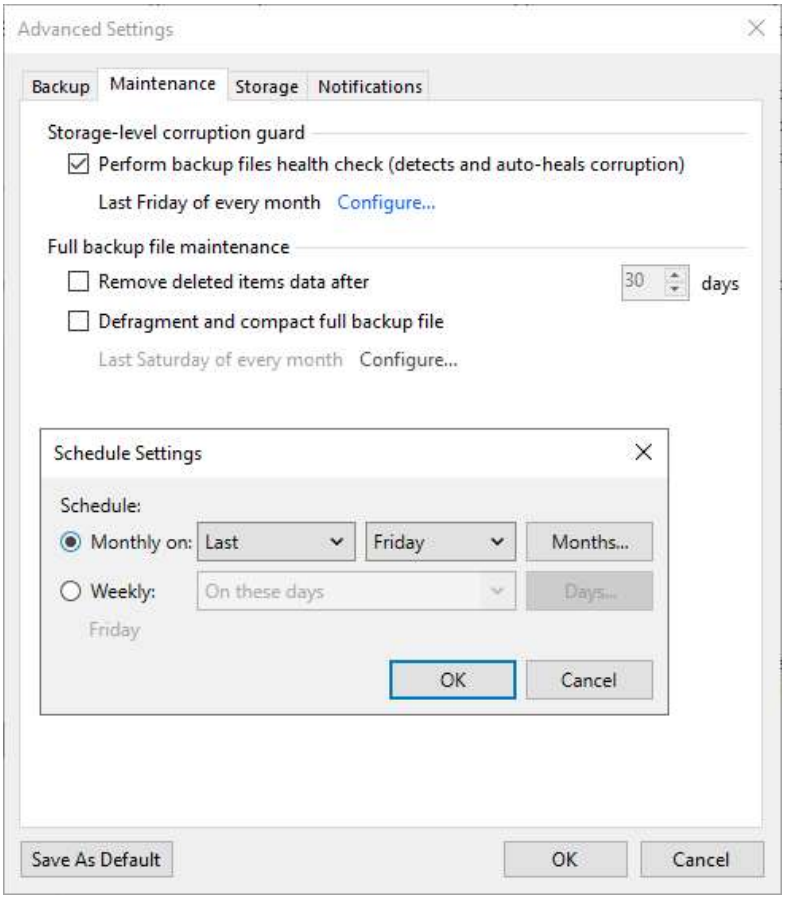
30. Select Create synthetic full backups or Active full backups periodically checkbox.
31. Schedule full backups periodically and click OK.



32. On the Advanced Settings, select Maintenance.
33. To regularly perform a health check on the backup chain's most recent restore point, select the Perform backup files health check (detects and auto-heals corruption) checkbox in the Storage-level corruption guard section.
34. Click Configure to set a timetable for the health check.



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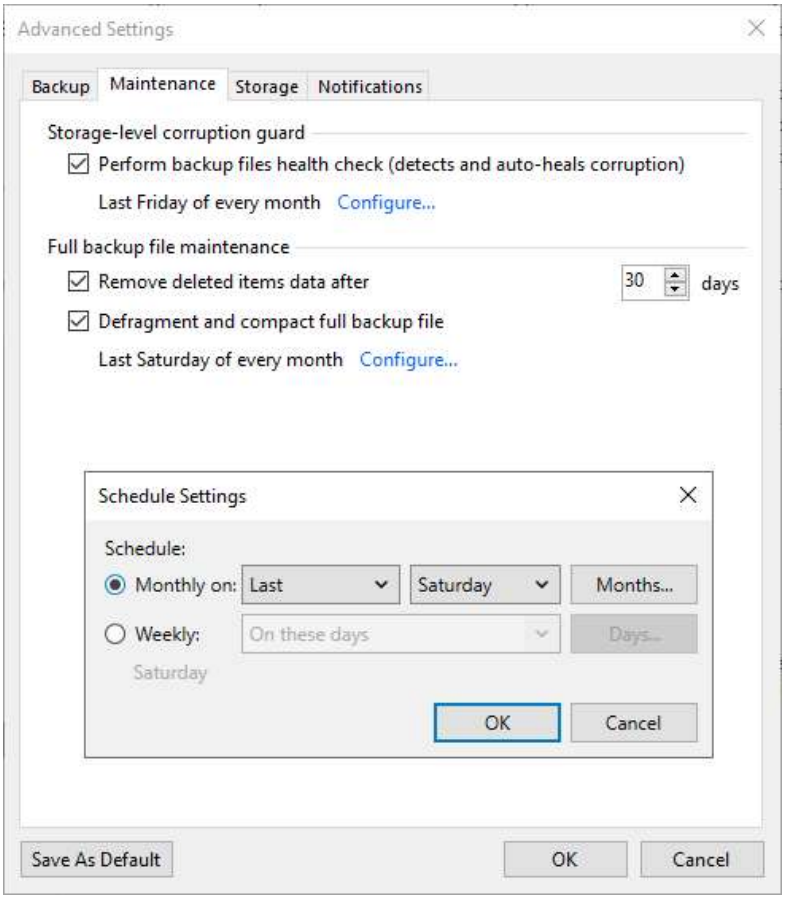
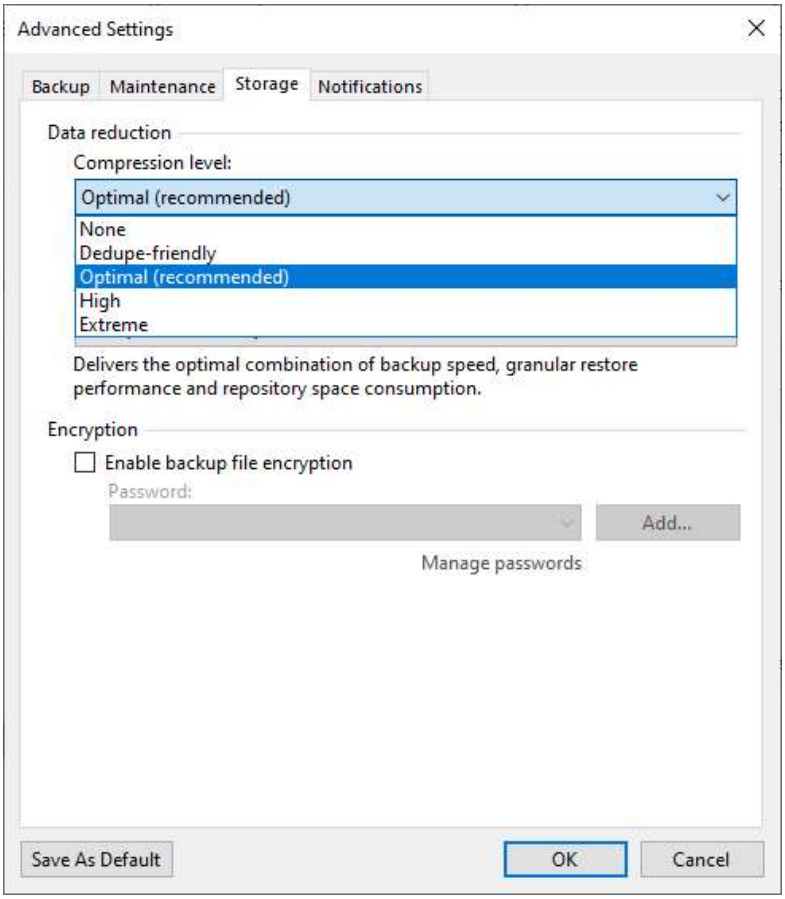
35. Select the Remove deleted items data after the checkbox and enter the few days you want backup data for deleted VMs to be kept.
36. Select the Defragment and compact full backup file checkbox and click Configure.
37. Set the schedule for the compact operation to compact a full backup periodically.

Note:

You don’t need to enable the defragment and compact functionality checkbox if GFS retention is enabled.



38. On Advanced Settings, select Storage.
39. Select the Compression level from the drop-down list.



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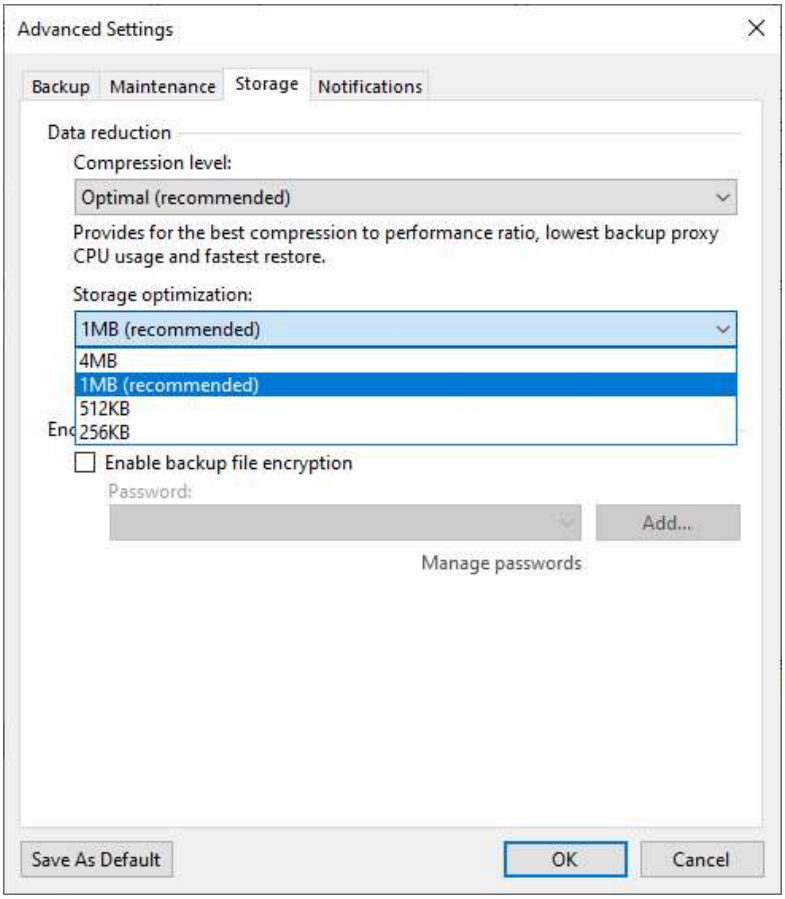
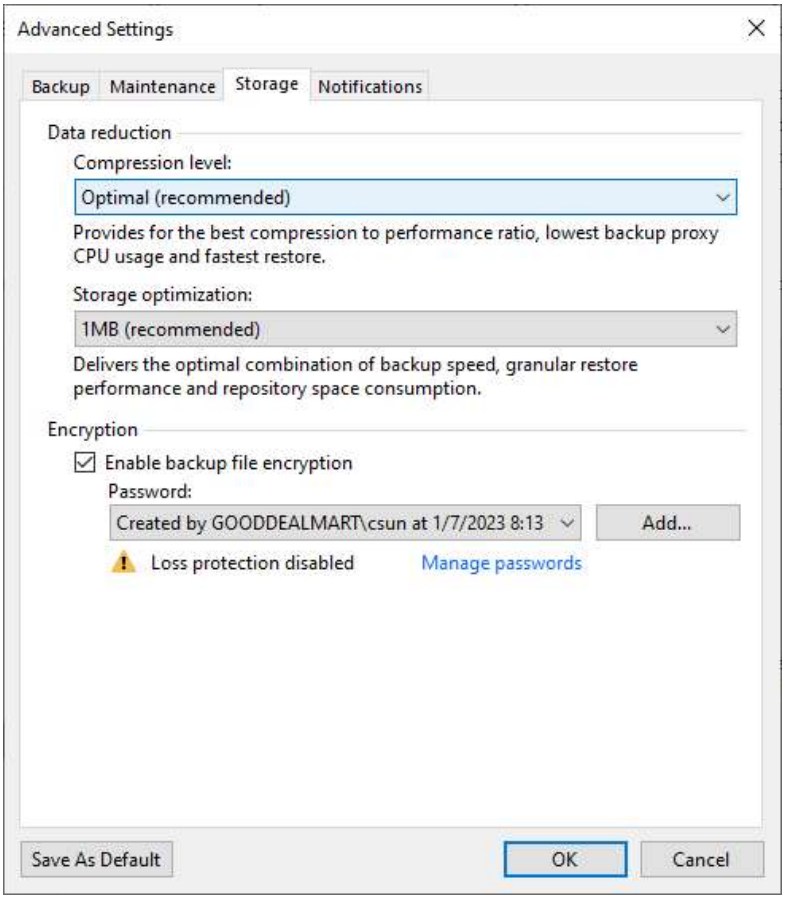
40. Select Storage optimization from the drop-down list.



41. Select the Enable backup file encryption checkbox to encrypt the content of backup files.
42. Select a password from the drop-down list. Then, if you still need to do, click Add or use the Manage passwords link to create a new password.



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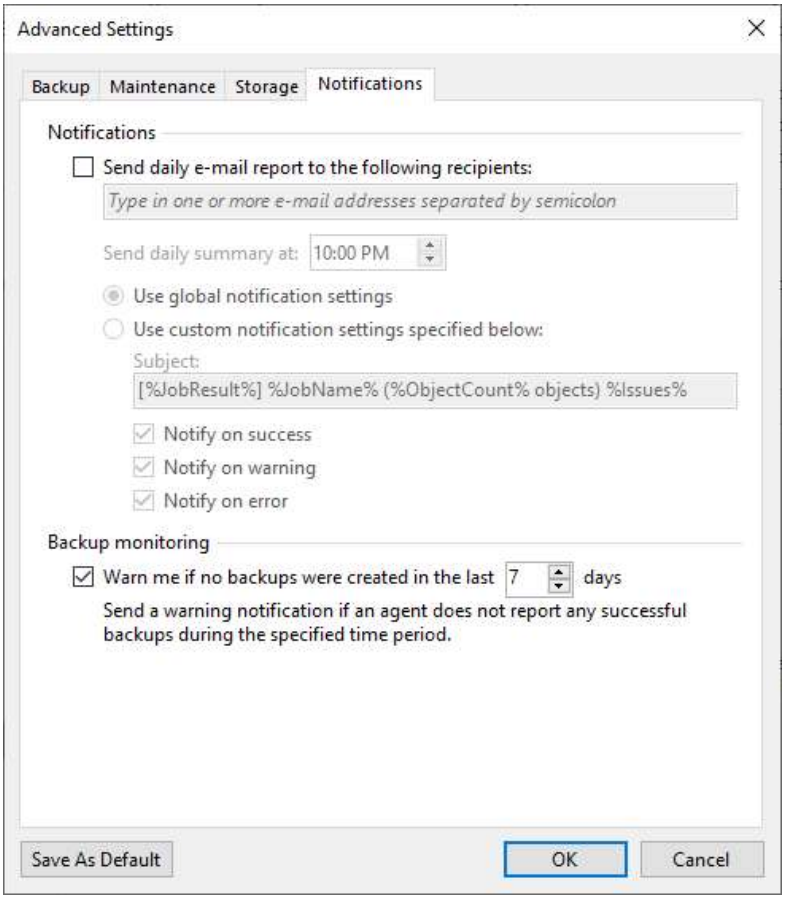
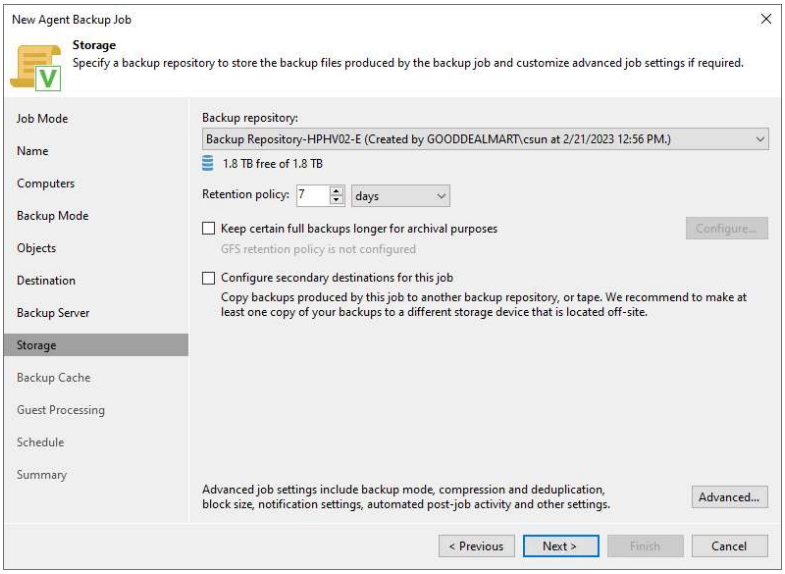
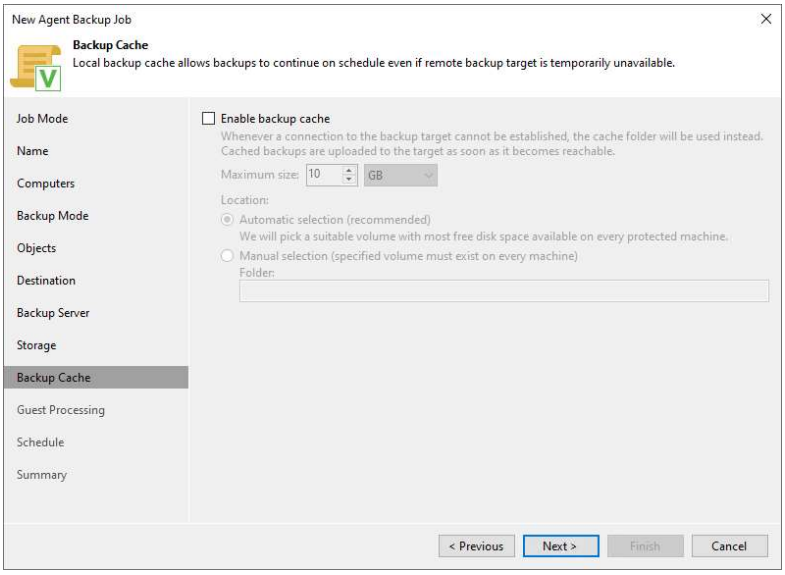
43. On the Advanced Settings, select Notifications.
44. Keep the default settings and click OK.



45. On the Storage page, click Next.



46. On the Backup Cache page, keep the default settings and click Next.



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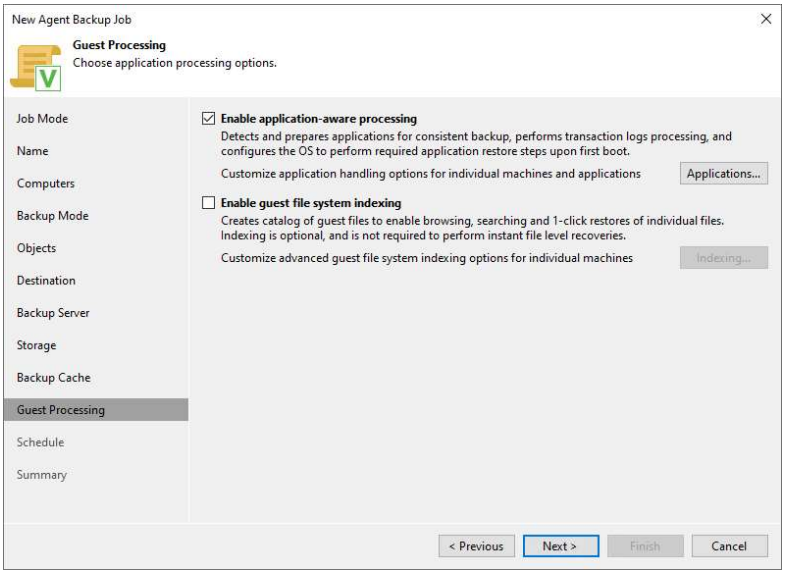
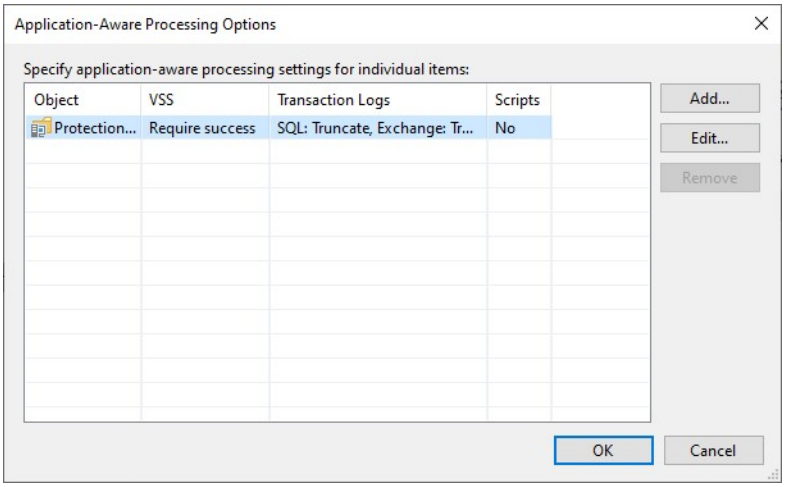
47. When you add Physical machines running VSS-aware applications to the backup job, you can enable application-aware processing to create a transactionally consistent backup. The transactionally consistent backup ensures that applications on VMs can be recovered without data loss.

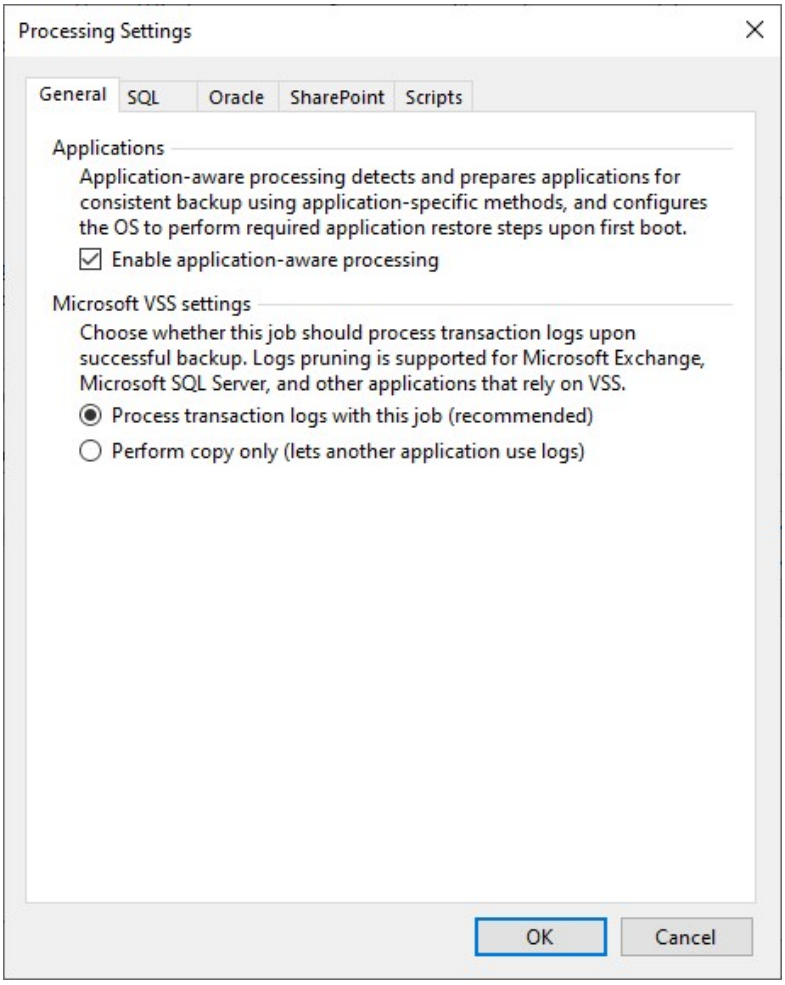
48. Select the Enable application-aware processing checkbox on the Guest Processing page, and click Applications.



49. On the Application-Aware Processing Options page, select the Object and click Edit.



50. On the Processing Settings page, select General.
51. Select Enable application-aware processing checkbox.
52. Select Process transaction logs with this job (recommended).



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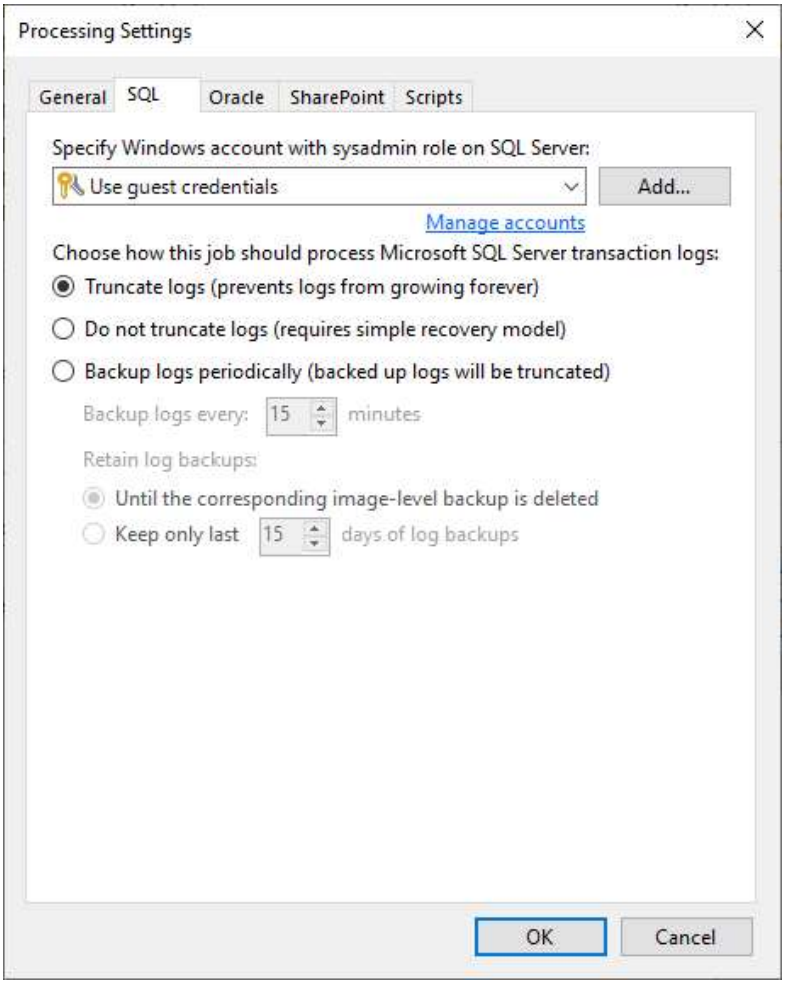
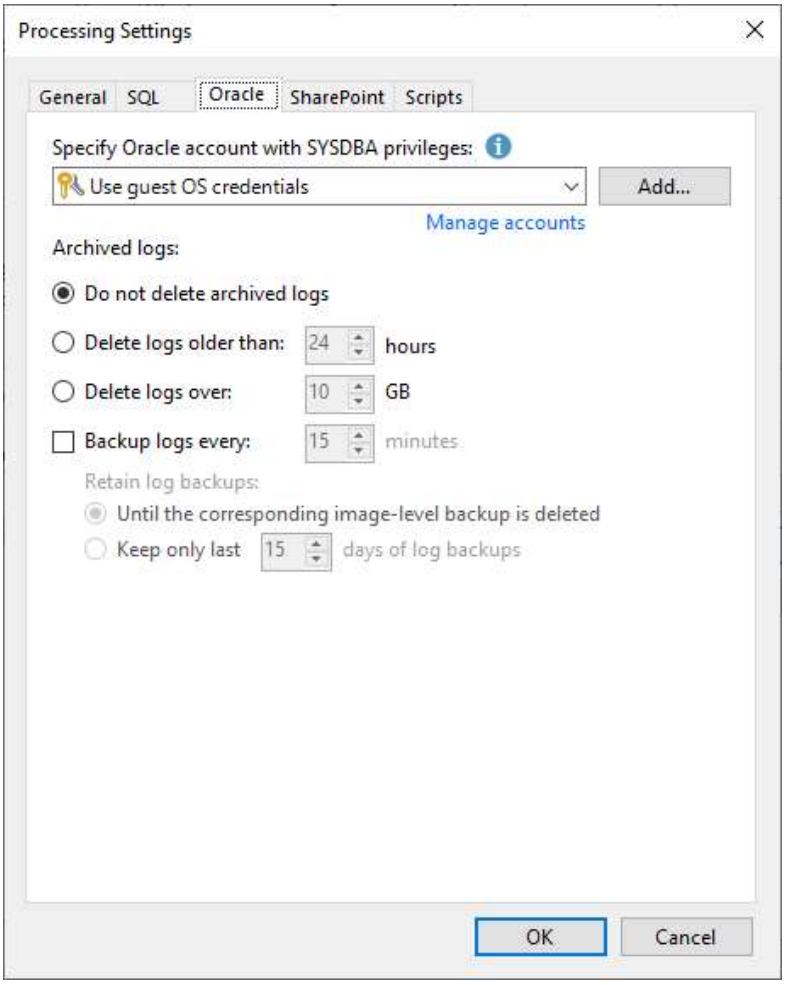
53. On the Processing Settings page, click SQL if the Physical Machine is a Microsoft SQL Server.
54. Select a user account from the drop-down list.
55. Select Truncate logs (Prevents logs from growing forever).



56. Select Oracle on the Processing Settings page if the Physical Machine is an Oracle Server.
57. Select a user account from the drop-down list.
58. Select Do not delete archived logs.



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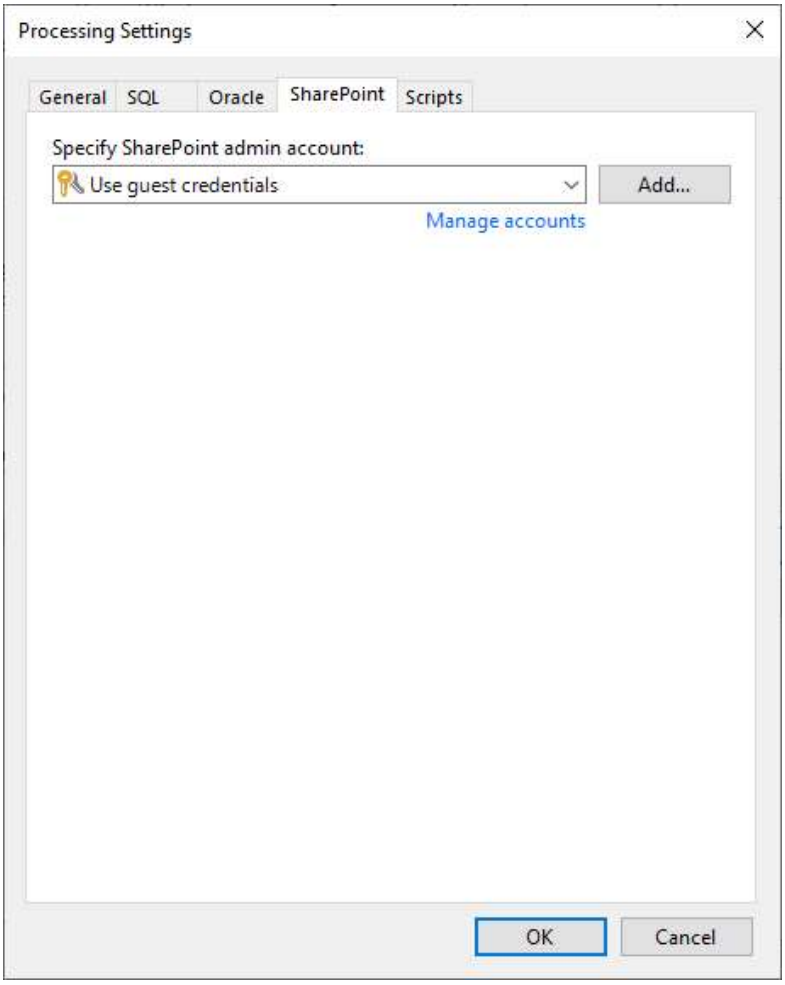
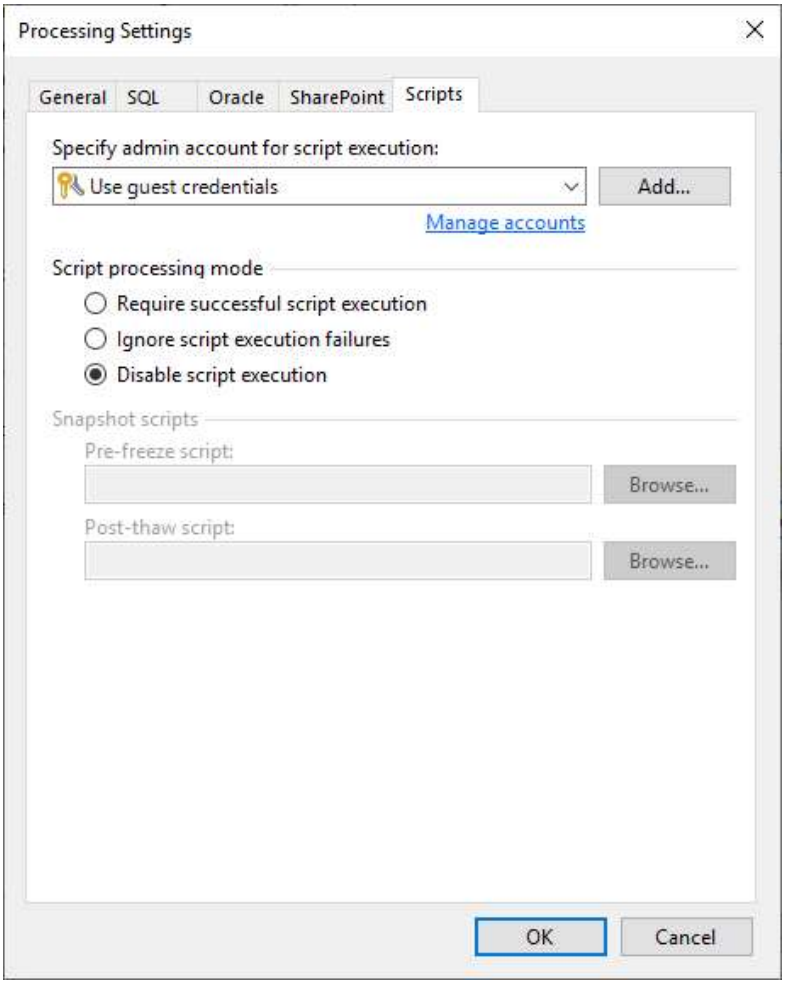
59. On the Processing Settings page, select SharePoint if the Physical Machine is a SharePoint Server.
60. Select a user account from the drop-down list.



61. On the Processing Settings page, select Scripts.
62. Keep the default settings and click OK.



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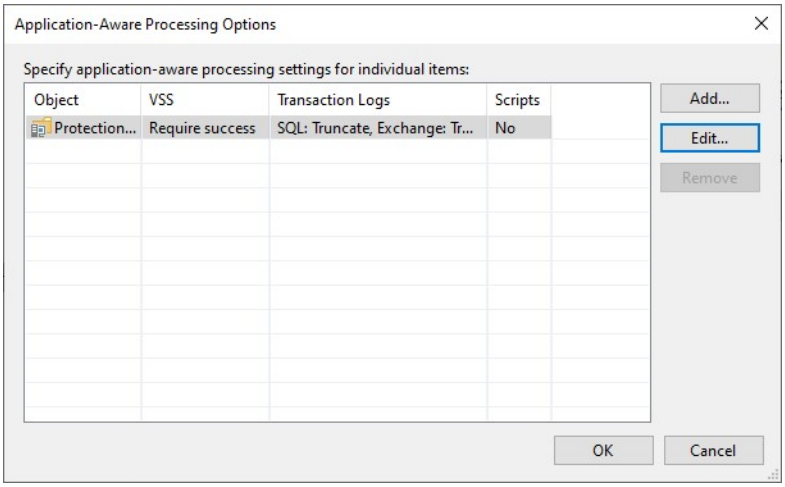
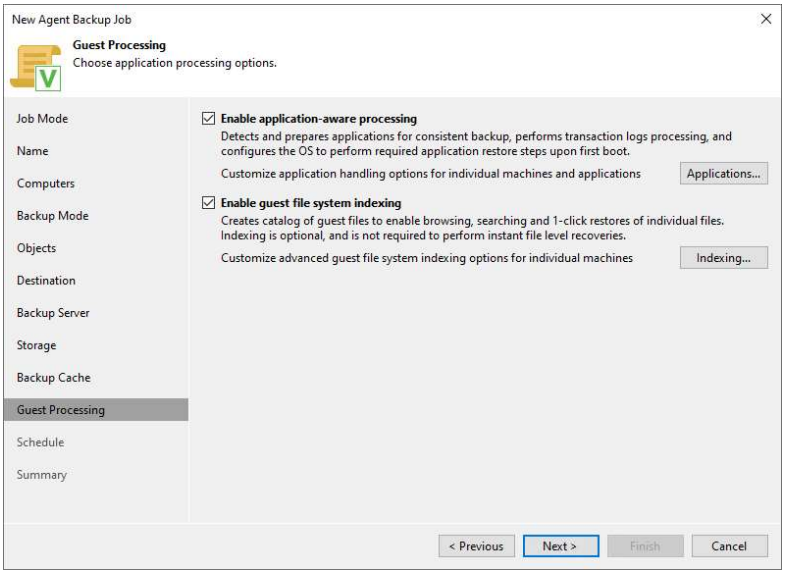
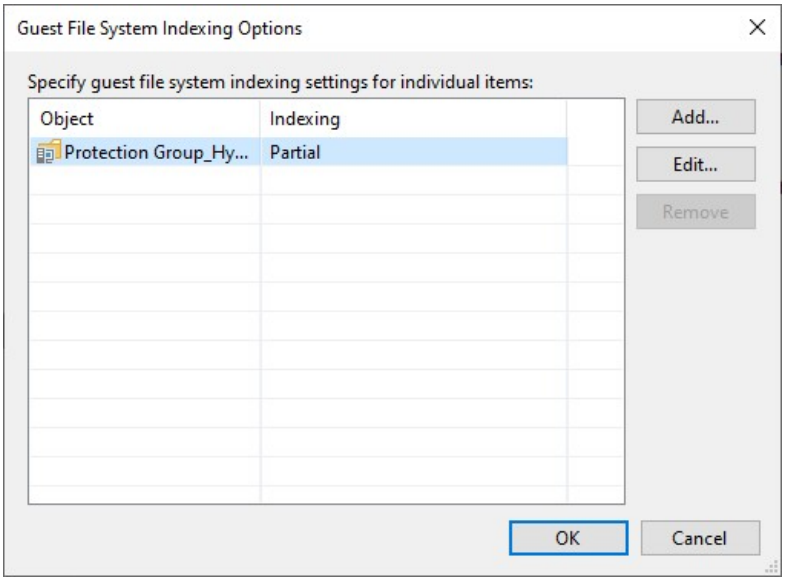
63. On the Application-Aware Processing Options page, click OK.



64. Select the Enable guest file system indexing checkbox and click Indexing.



65. On the Guest File System Indexing Options page, select the Object, click Edit and.



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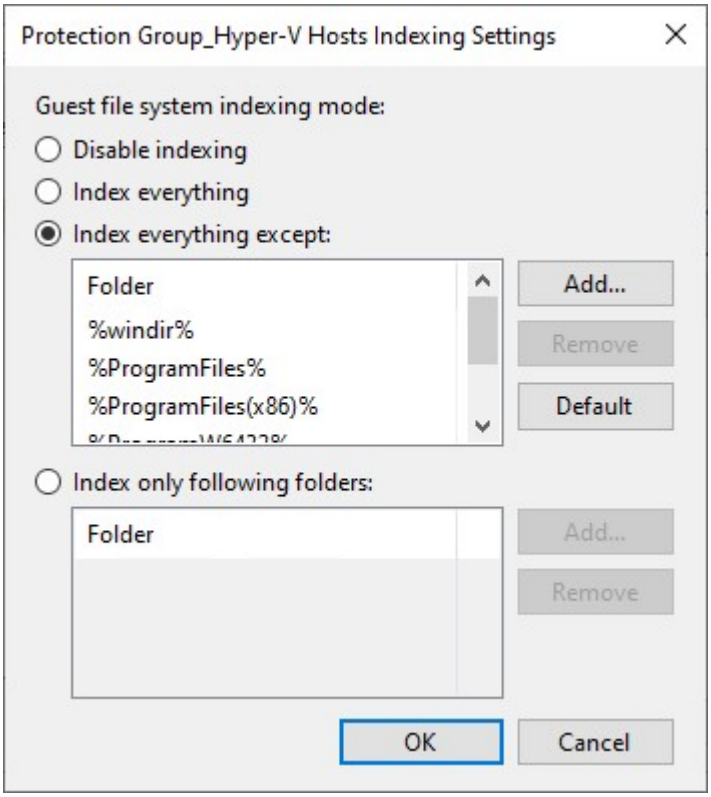
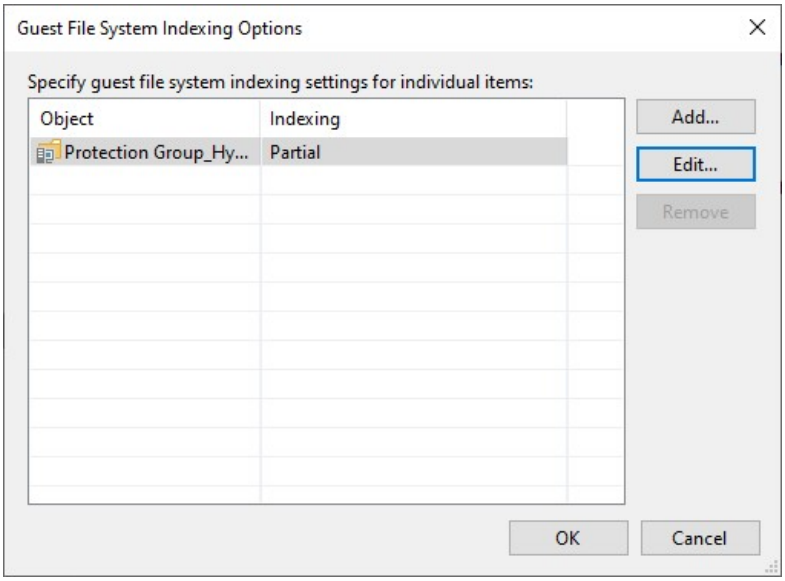
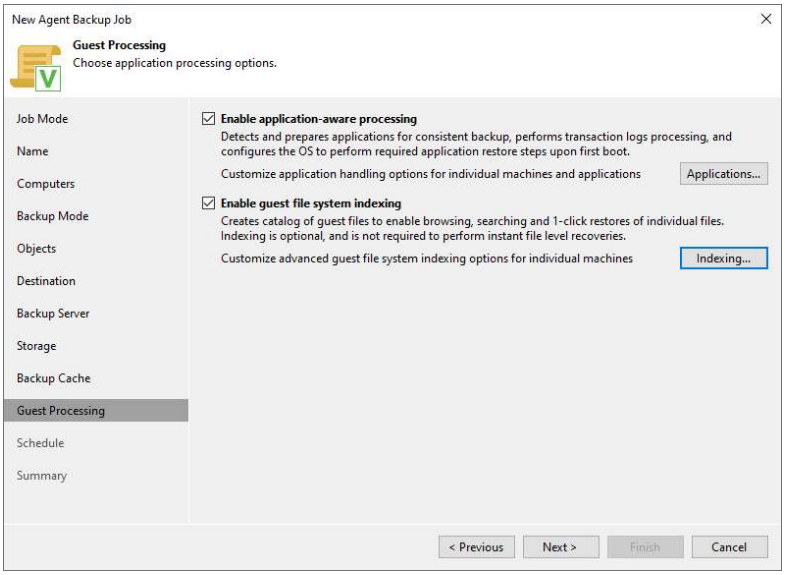
66. On the Guest file system indexing mode page, keep the default settings.
67. Click OK.



68. On the Guest File System Indexing Options page, click OK.



69. On the Guest Processing page, click Next.



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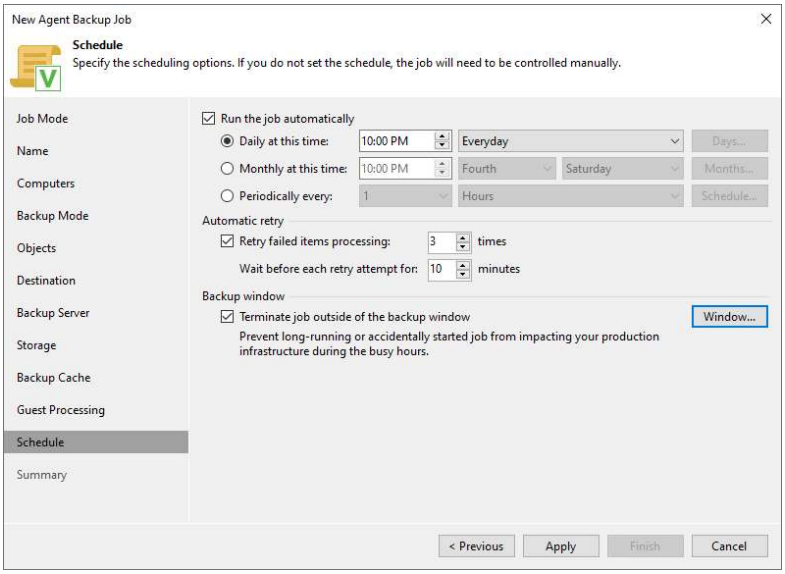
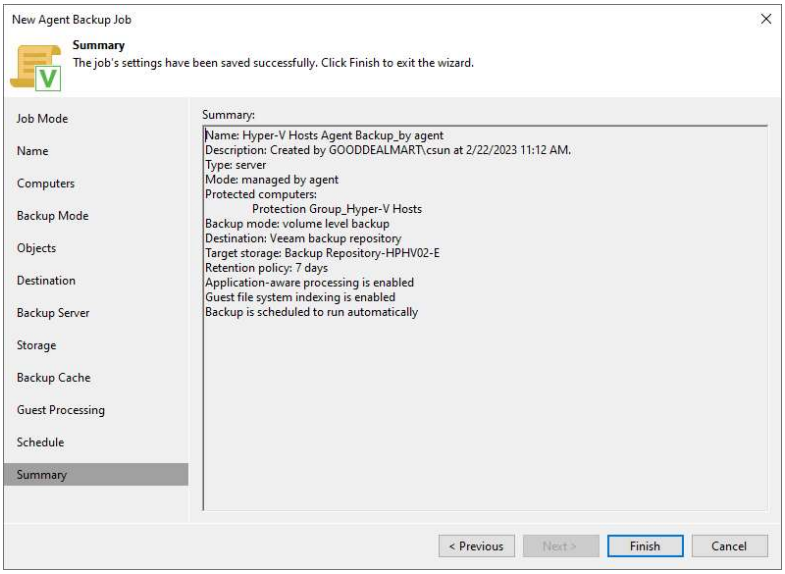
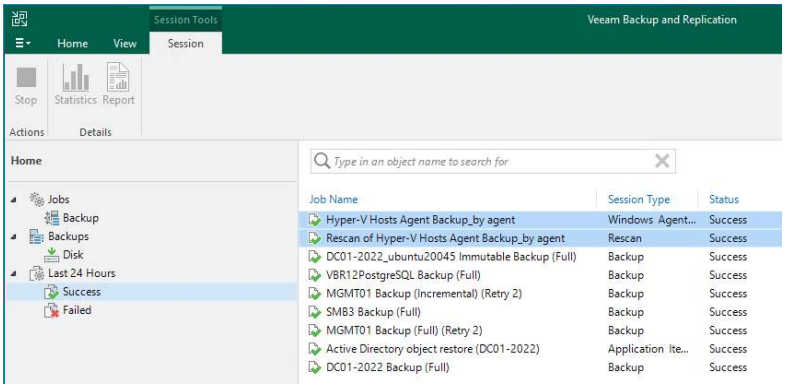
70. Select Run the job automatically checkbox on the Schedule page and select your specified schedule.
71. Define whether Veeam Backup & Replication should retry the backup job if it fails in the Automatic retry section.
72. Define the time interval the backup job must complete in the Backup window section. The backup window ensures that the job does not overlap with production hours and that there is no unnecessary overhead on the production environment.
73. Click Apply.



74. On the Summary page, click Finish.



75. Verify that the Machine rescan and Job configured are completed without issues.



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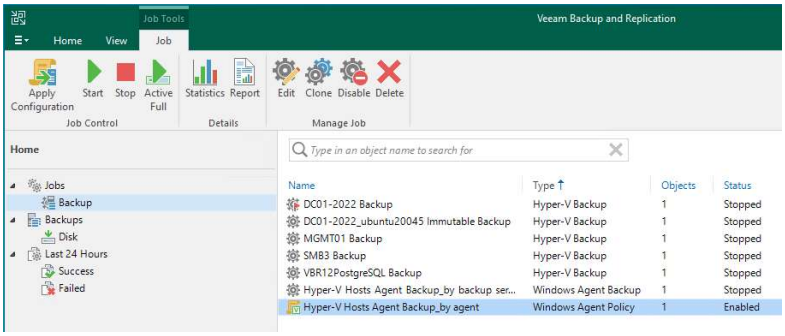
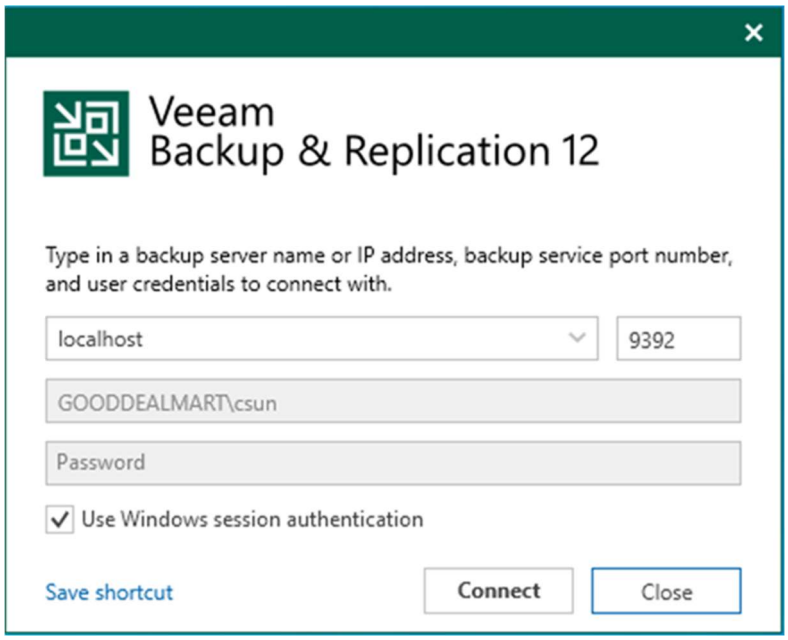


Create a Backup job to backup all VMS of the Hyper-V Host

This procedure creates a backup job to back up all VMS of the production Hyper-V host. The new VMS will be backed up automatically after the backup job is created. You don't need to modify the backup job settings.

Instructions	Screenshot (if applicable)
1. Log in to the Veeam Backup and replication manager server. 2. Open the Veeam Backup & Replication Console and click Connect.	

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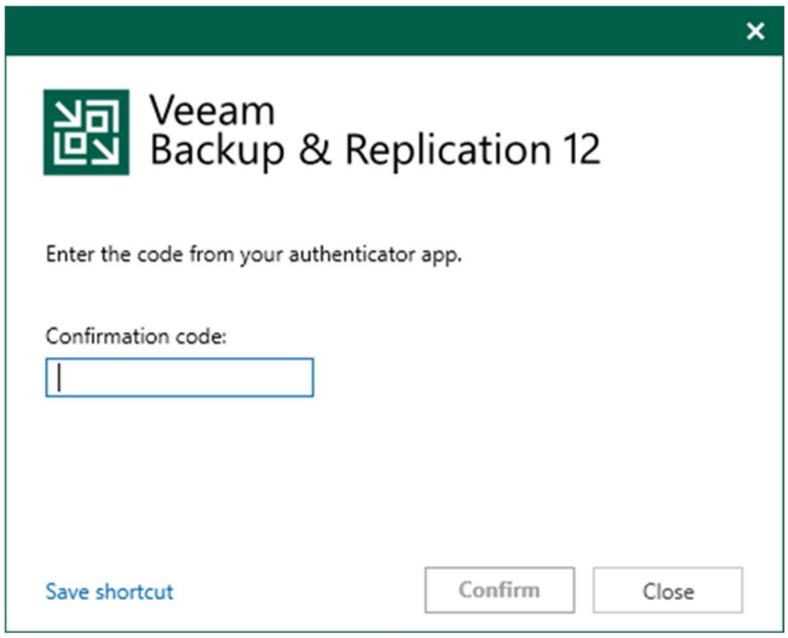
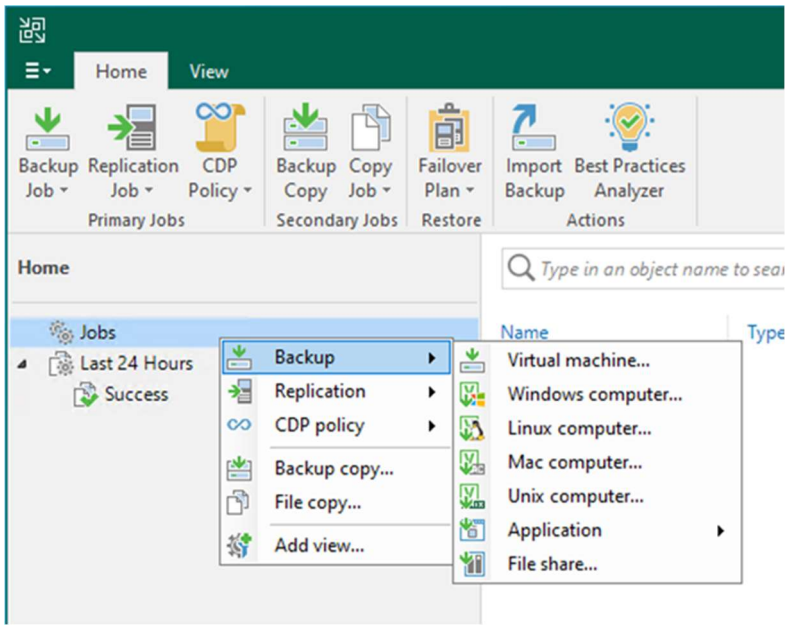
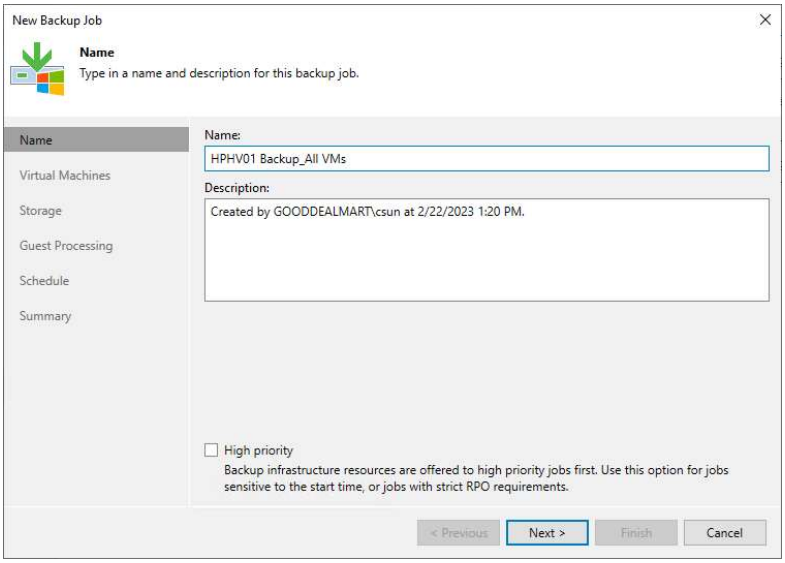
3. Enter the MFA Confirmation code and click Confirm.



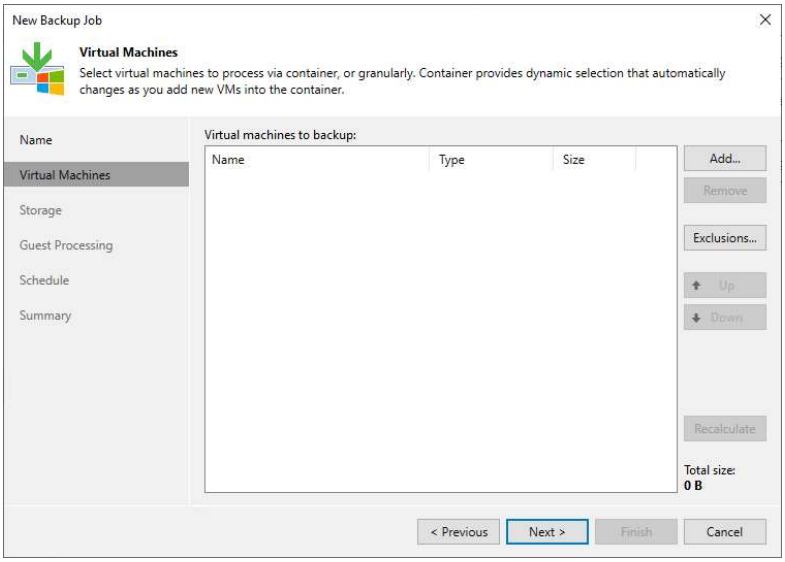
4. Select Jobs on the Home page and right-click Jobs.
5. Select Backup and click Virtual machine.



6. On the Name page, enter a name for the backup job in the Name field.
7. Give a brief description in the Description field for the future.
8. Select the High priority checkbox if you want this job to allocate resources in the first place.
9. Click Next.



10. Click Add on the Virtual Machines page.



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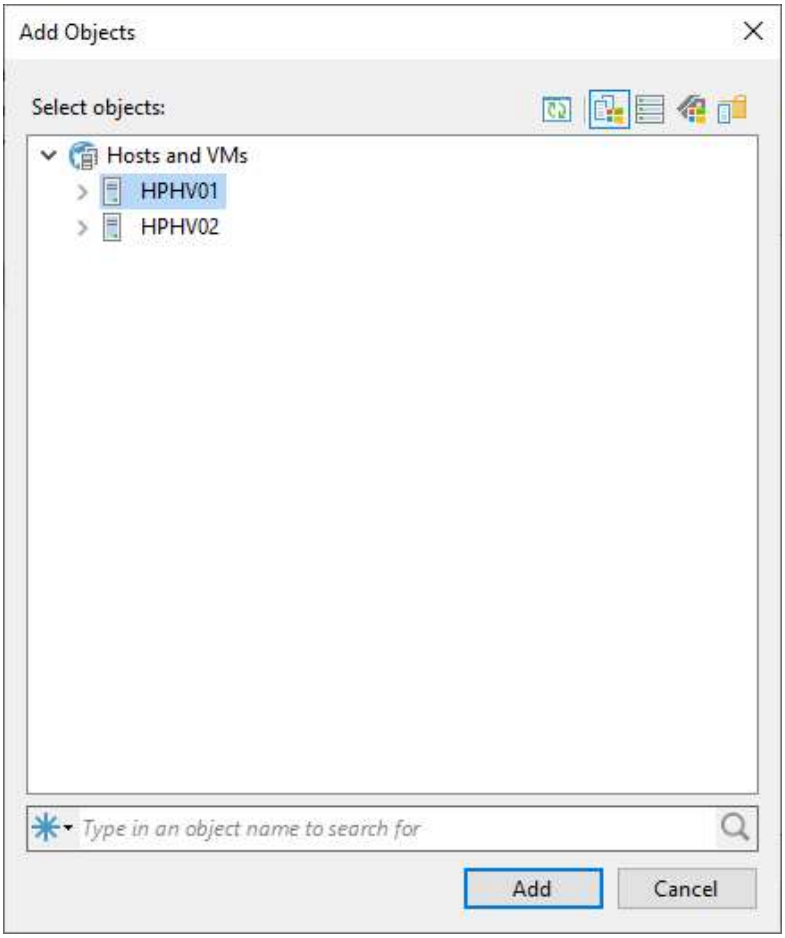
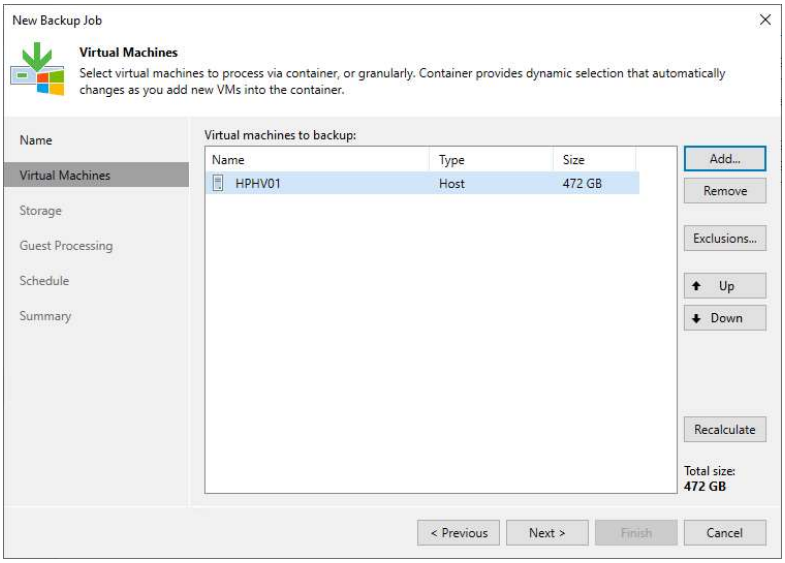
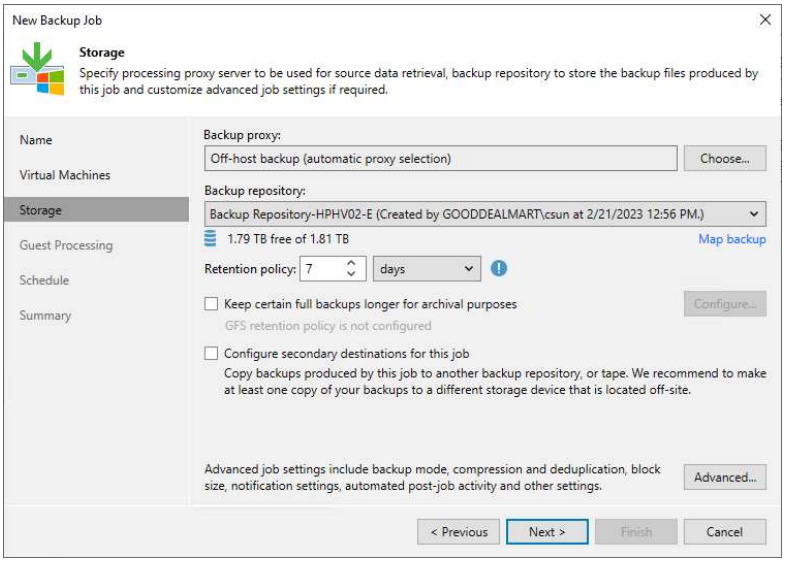
11. Select the Host from the Select objects list on the Add Objects page and click Add.
12. If you have multiple Hosts that need to back up in the same backup job, you can repeat the step to add them.



13. Click Next on the Virtual Machines page.



14. On the Storage page, click Choose to select a backup proxy if you don't want to use the default Off-host backup (automatic proxy selection) setting.



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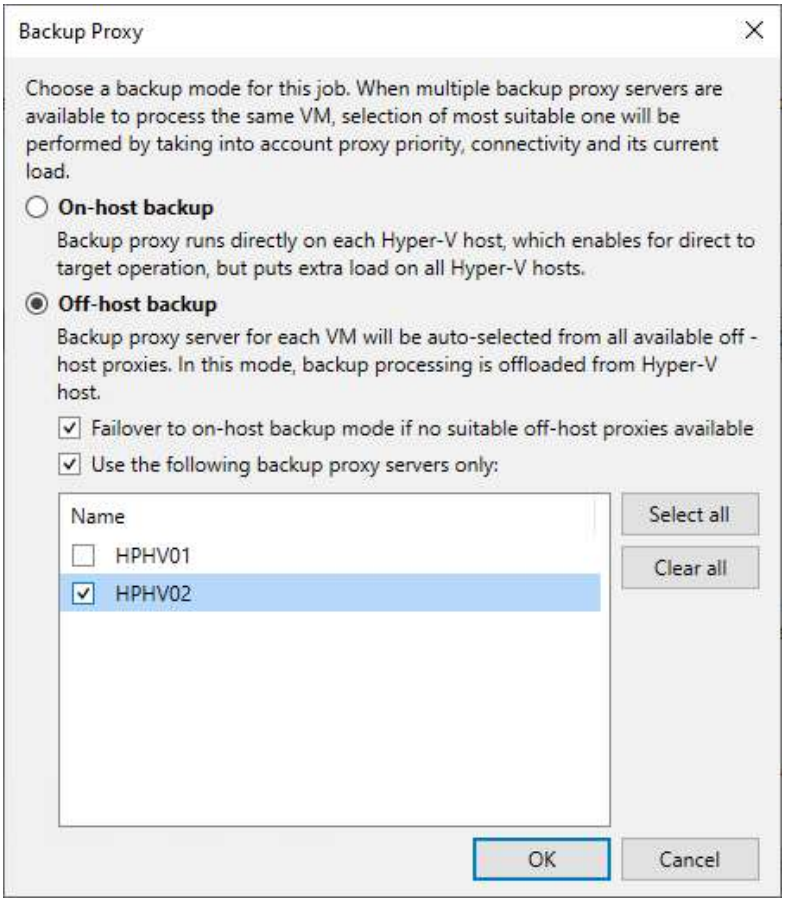
15. On the Backup Proxy page, if you select On-host backup mode, the source Microsoft HyperV host will serve as both the source host and the backup proxy. In this mode, Veeam Data Mover runs directly on the source host, which speeds up data retrieval but places additional strain on the host.



16. If you select Off-host backup mode, Veeam Data Mover will run on a dedicated off-host backup proxy. All backup processing operations from the source host are routed to the off-host backup proxy in this model.

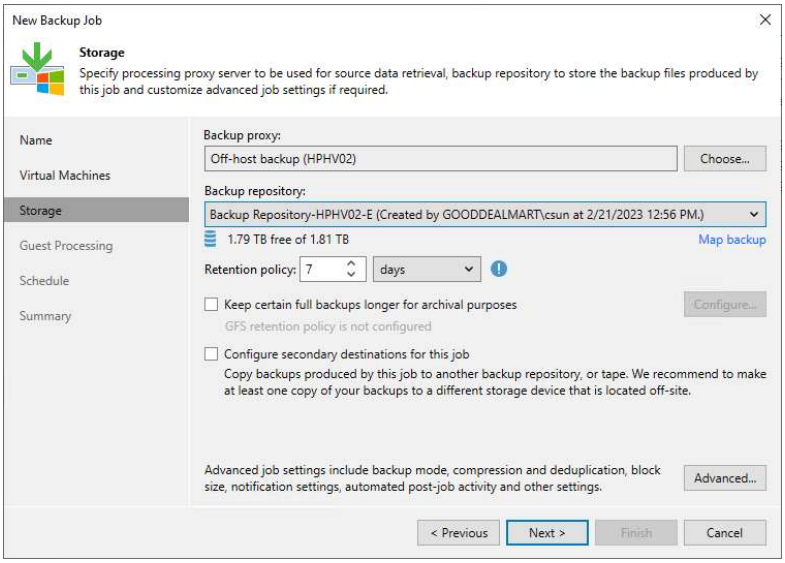
17. If the off-host backup mode is selected for the job, but no off-host backup proxies are available when the job begins, Veeam Backup & Replication will transition to on-host backup mode.

18. You unselect the Failover to on-host backup mode if no suitable off-host

proxies are available in the checkbox. Still, the job will fail to start if off-host backup proxies are unavailable or configured properly.

19. Click OK.

20. Select the backup repository from the Backup repository drop-down list where the created backup files must be saved.



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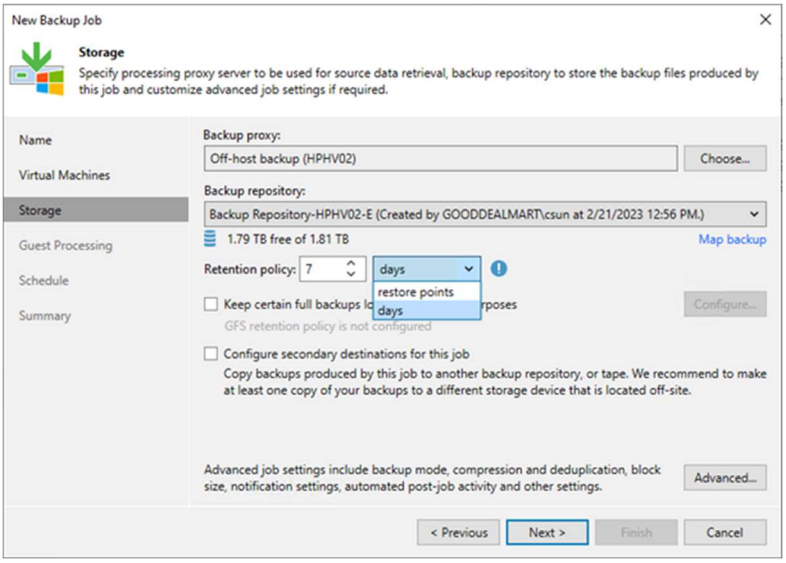
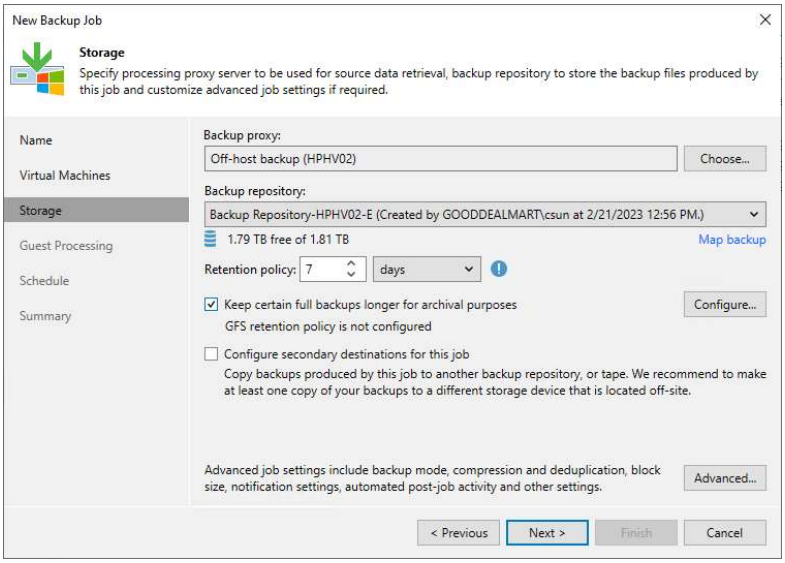
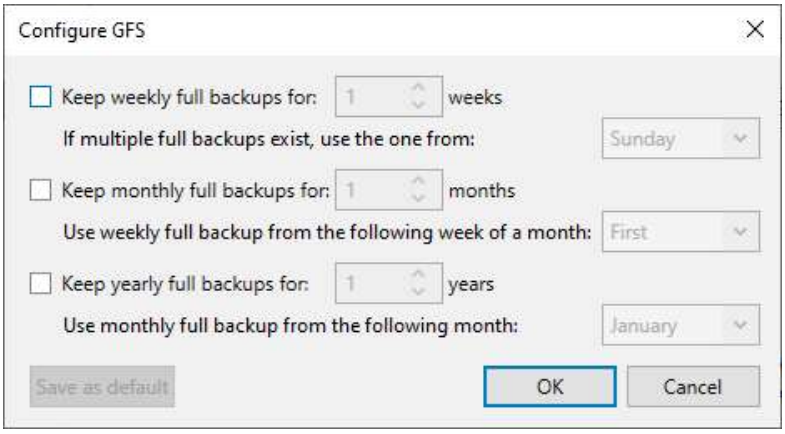
21. Set the retention policy settings for restore points in the Retention Policy field.
22. Select days or restore points from the drop-down list.



23. You can configure the backup job's GFS retention policy settings to ignore the short-term retention policy for some full backups and store them for long-term archiving.
24. Select Keep certain full backups for longer for archival purposes and click Configure.



25. Select the Keep weekly full backups for checkbox, and specify the number of weeks you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
26. Select the Keep monthly full backups for checkbox, and specify the months you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
27. Select the Keep yearly full backups for checkbox, and specify the years you want to prevent restore points from being modified and deleted.
28. Click OK.



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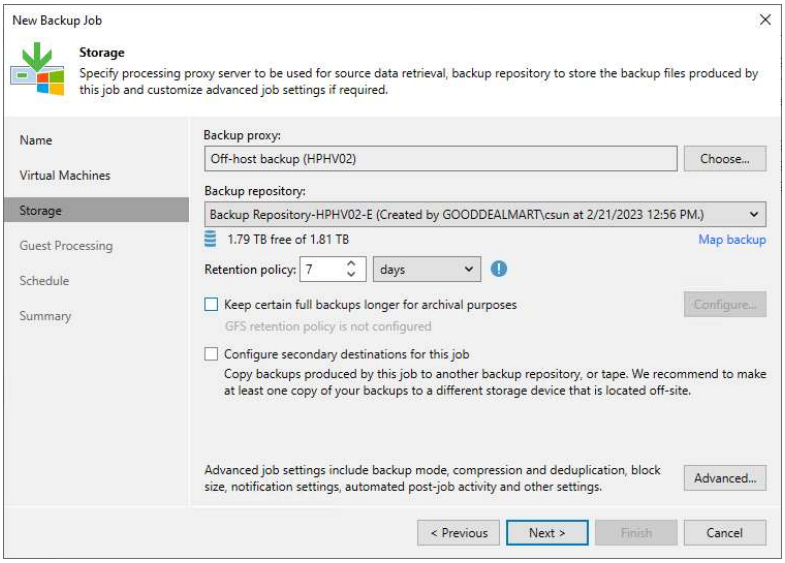
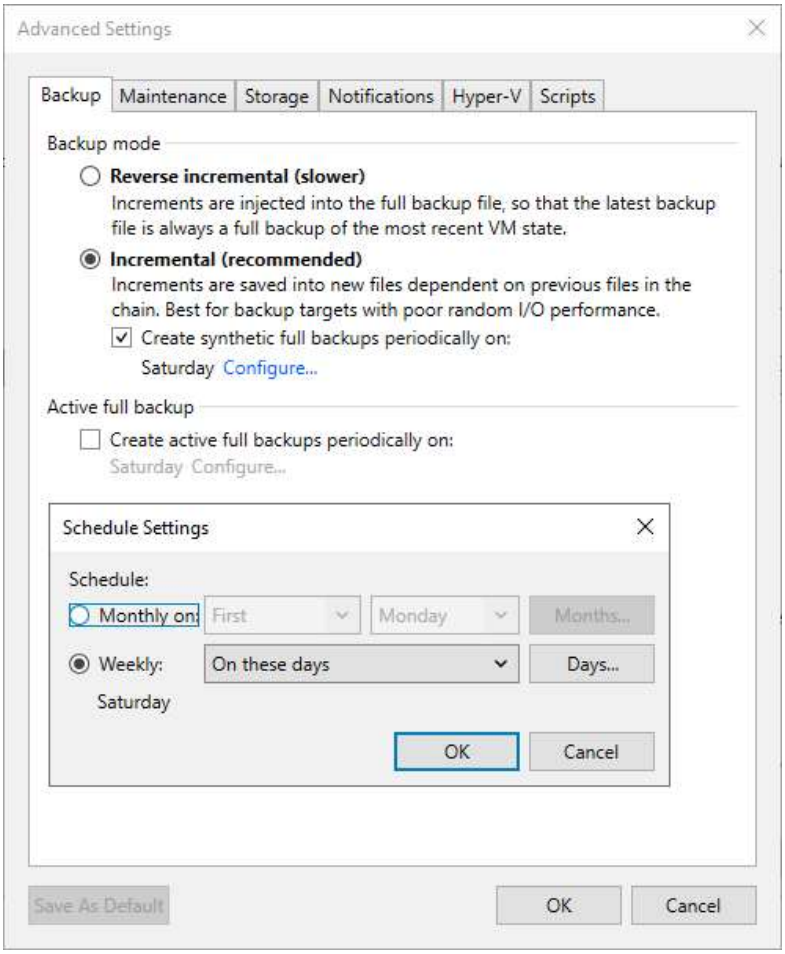
29. On the Storage page, click Advanced.



30. On the Backup page, select Incremental (recommended).
31. Select create synthetic full backups periodically or active full backups periodically checkbox.
32. Click Configure to schedule full backups periodically and click OK.



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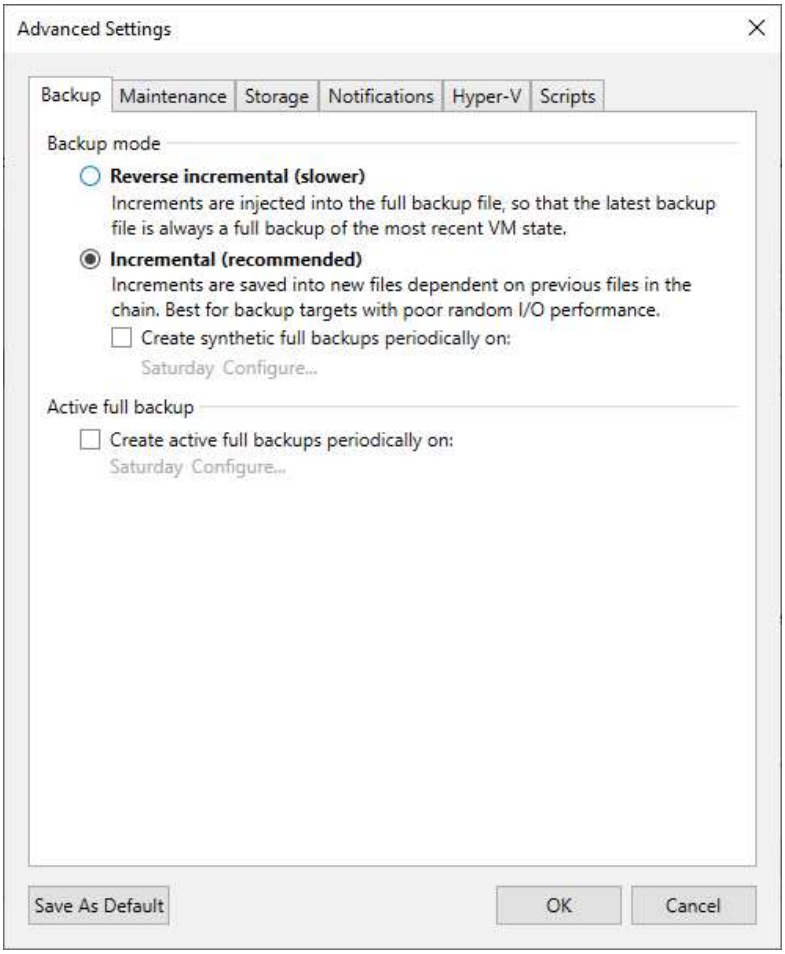
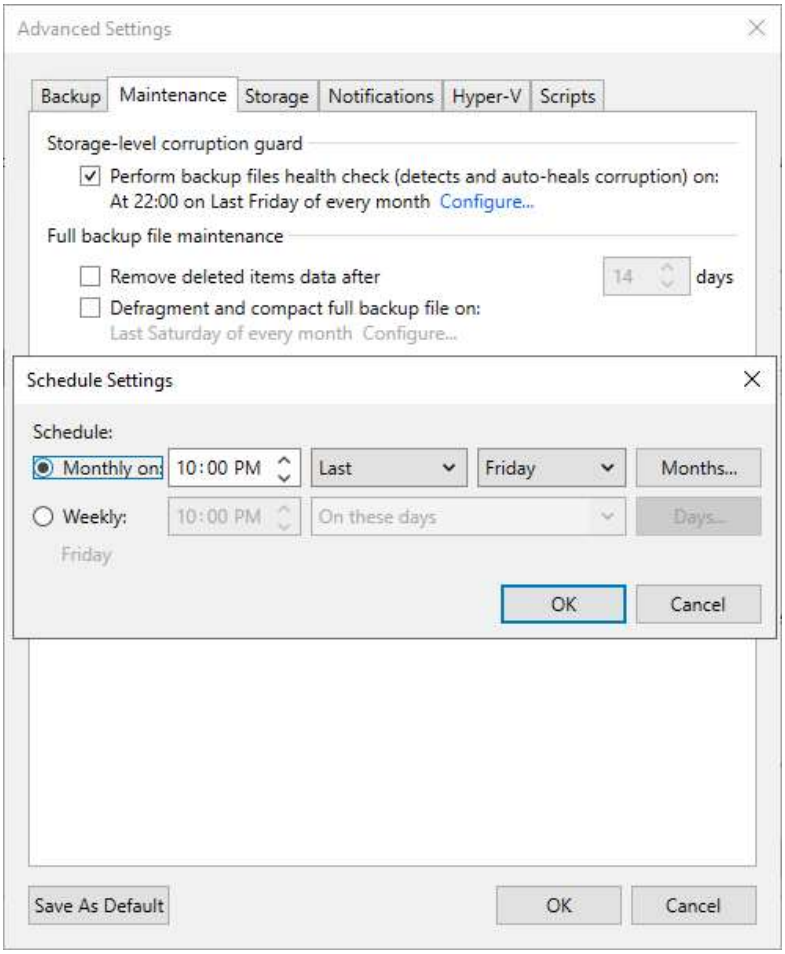
33. Select Incremental and disable synthetic full and active full backups to create a forever forward incremental backup chain.



34. On the Advanced Settings, Maintenance.
35. To regularly perform a health check on the backup chain's most recent restore point, select the Perform backup files health check (detects and auto-heals corruption) checkbox in the Storage-level corruption guard section.
36. Click Configure to set a timetable for the health check.



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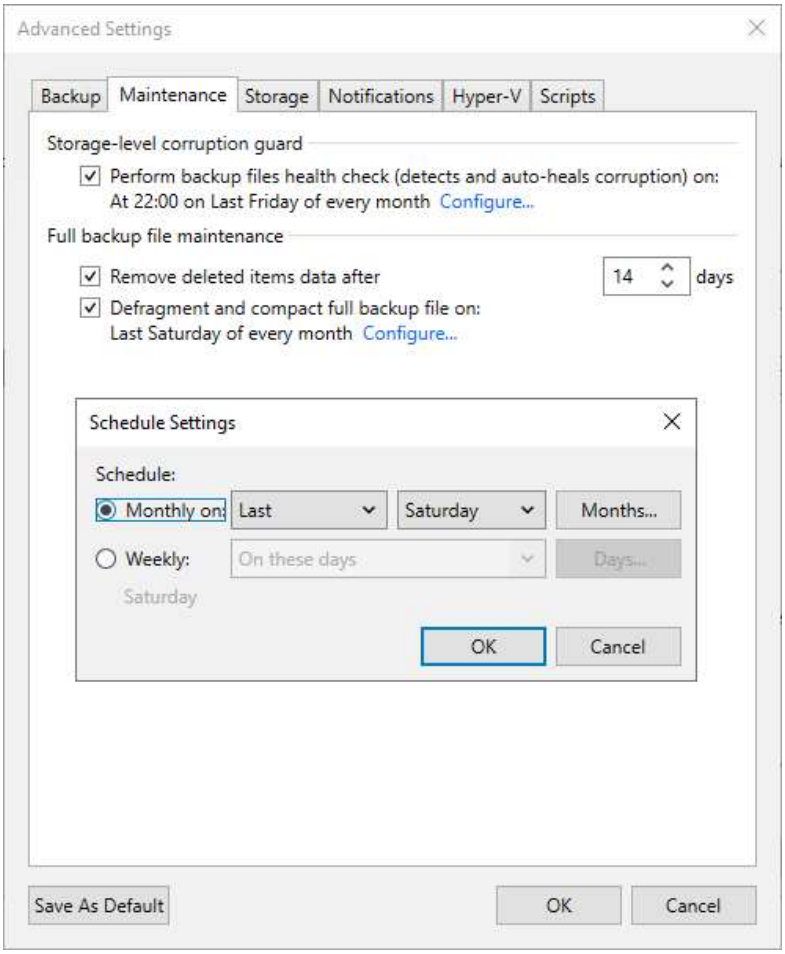
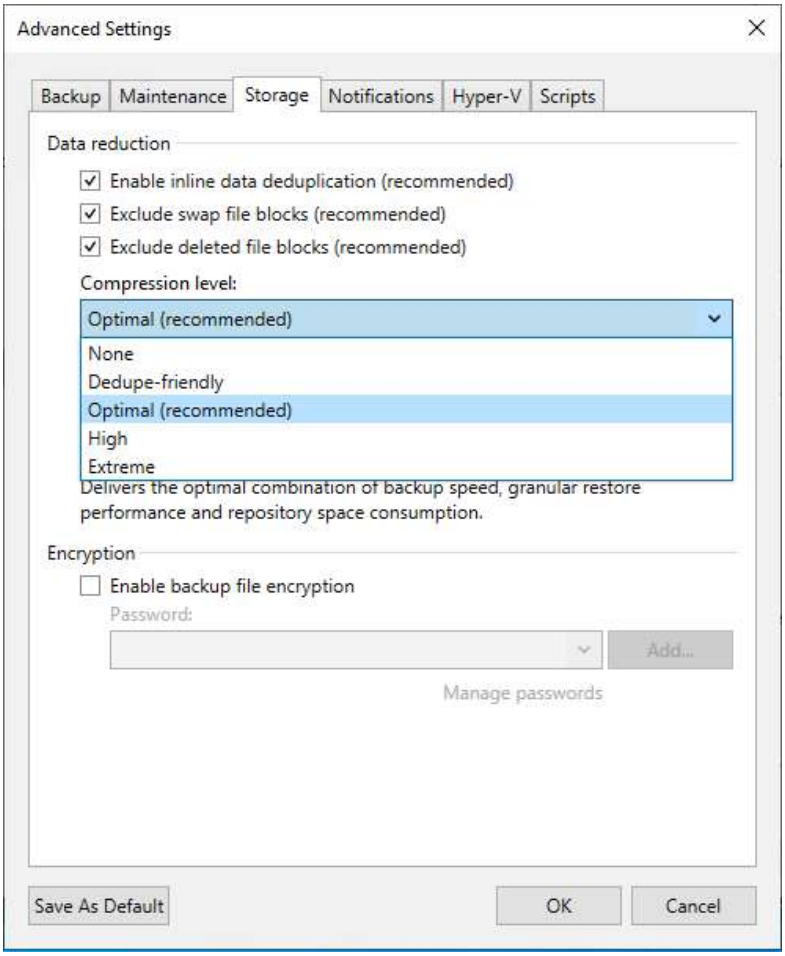
37. Select the Remove deleted items data after the checkbox and enter the few days you want backup data for deleted VMs to be kept.
38. Select the Defragment and compact full backup file checkbox and click Configure.
39. Set the schedule for the compact operation to compact a full backup periodically.

Note:

GFS retention is not compatible with defragment and compact functionality.



40. On Advanced Settings, select Storage.
41. Select the Enable inline data deduplication (recommended) checkbox.
42. Select the Exclude swap file blocks (recommended) checkbox.
43. Select the Exclude deleted file blocks (recommended) checkbox.
44. Select the compression level for the backup from the drop-down list.



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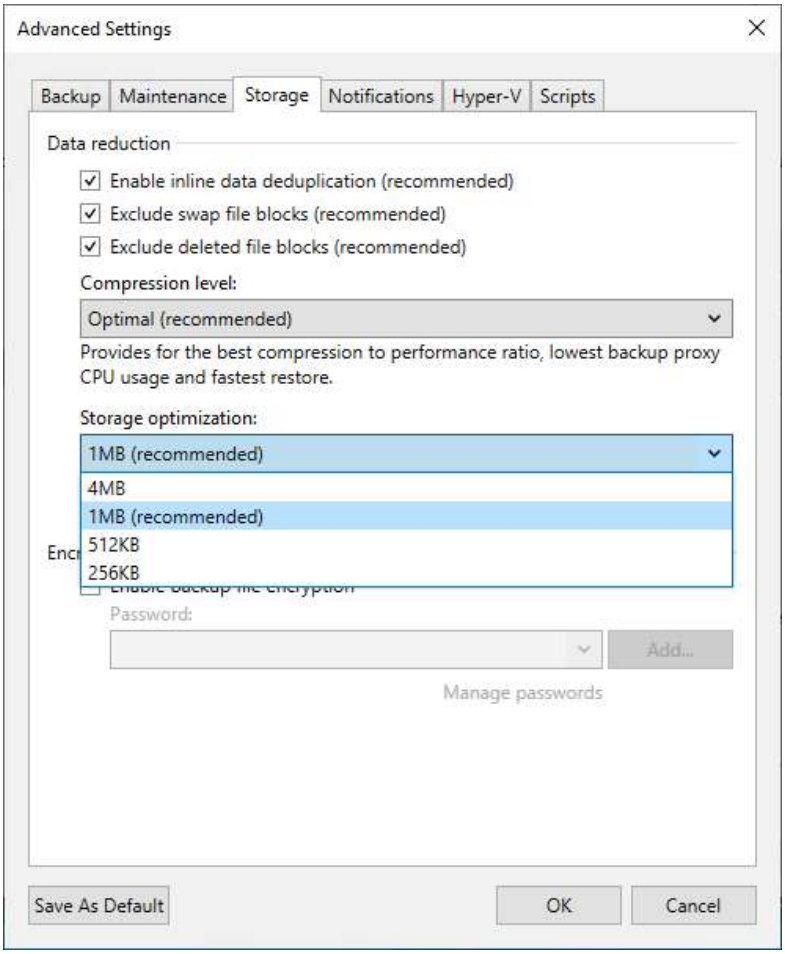
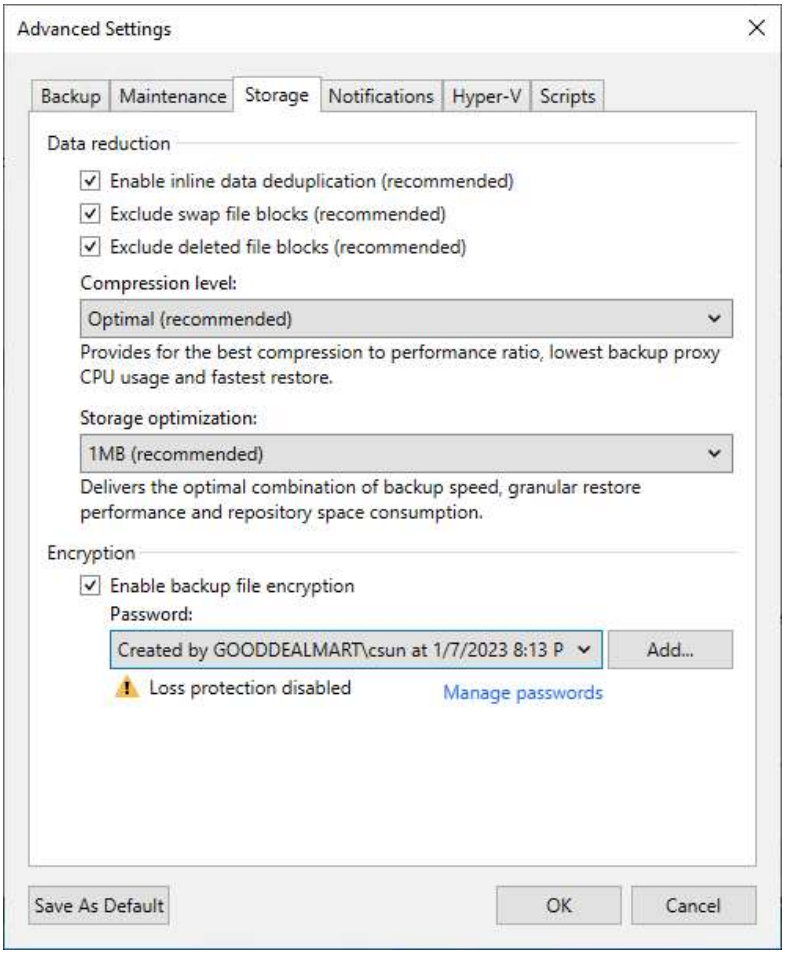
45. Select the Storage optimization for the backup from the drop-down list.



46. Select the Enable backup file encryption checkbox to encrypt the content of backup files.
47. Select a password from the drop-down list. Then, if you still need to do, click Add or use the Manage passwords link to create a new password.



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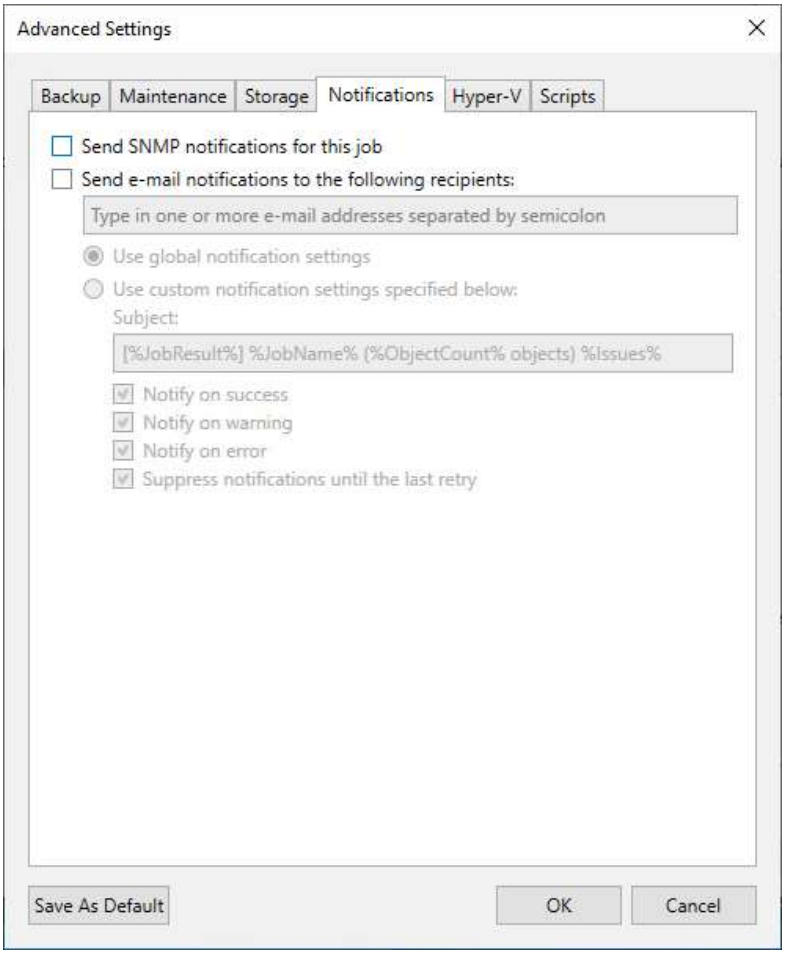
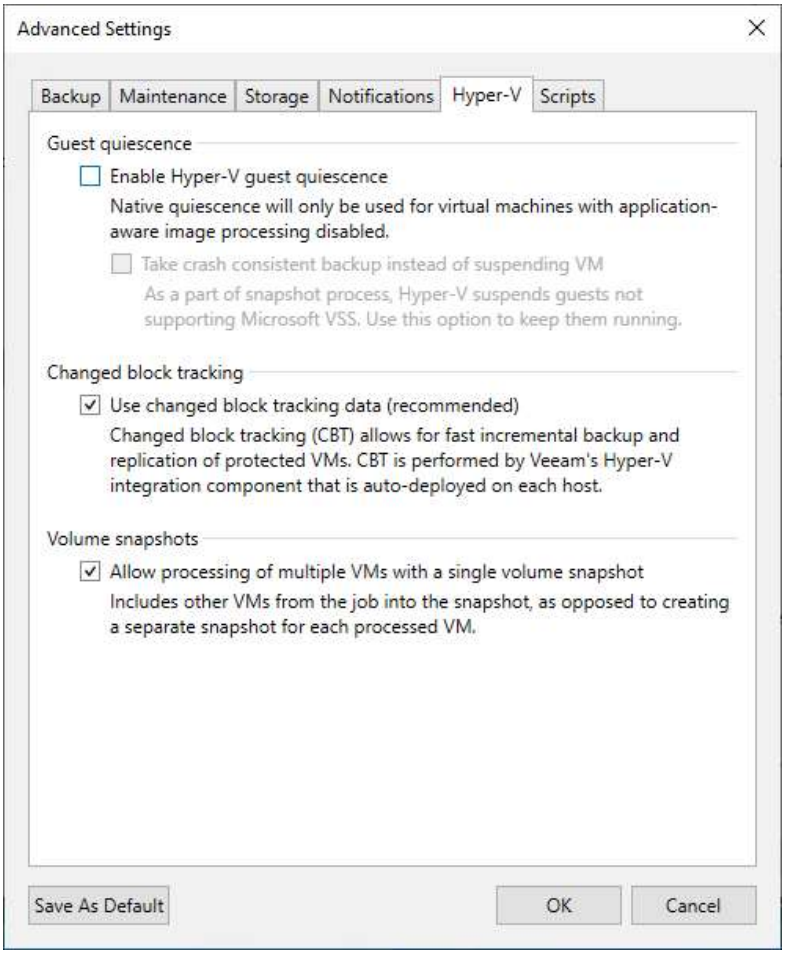
48. On the Advanced Settings, select Notifications.
49. Keep the default settings.



50. On the Advanced Settings, select Hyper-V.
51. Keep the default settings.



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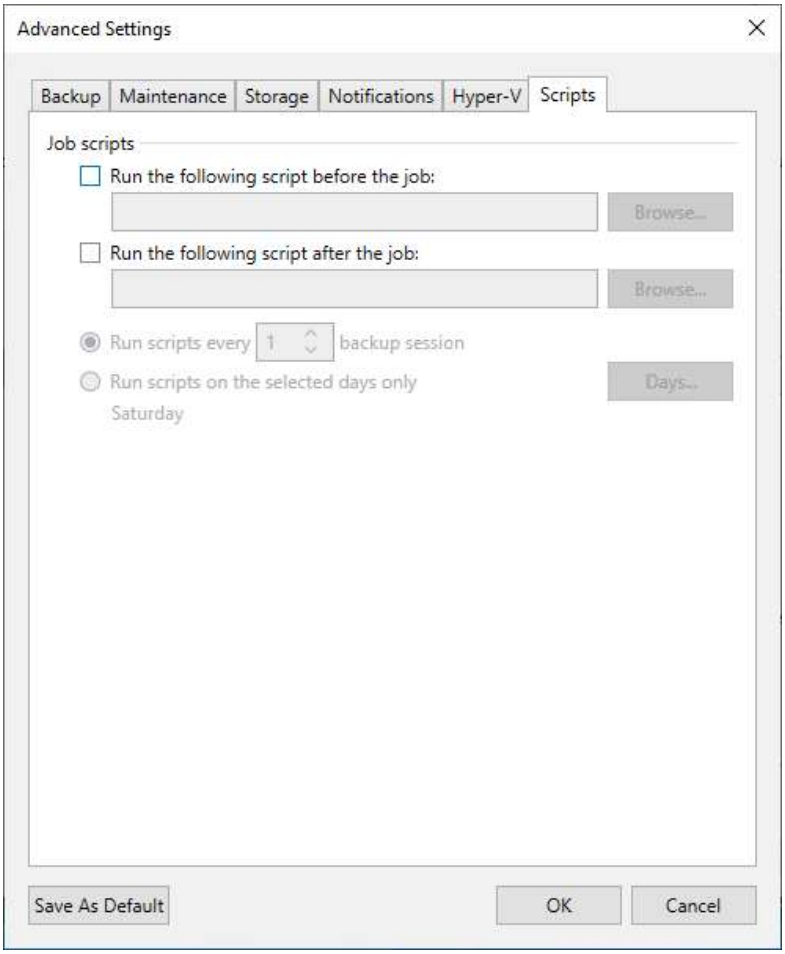
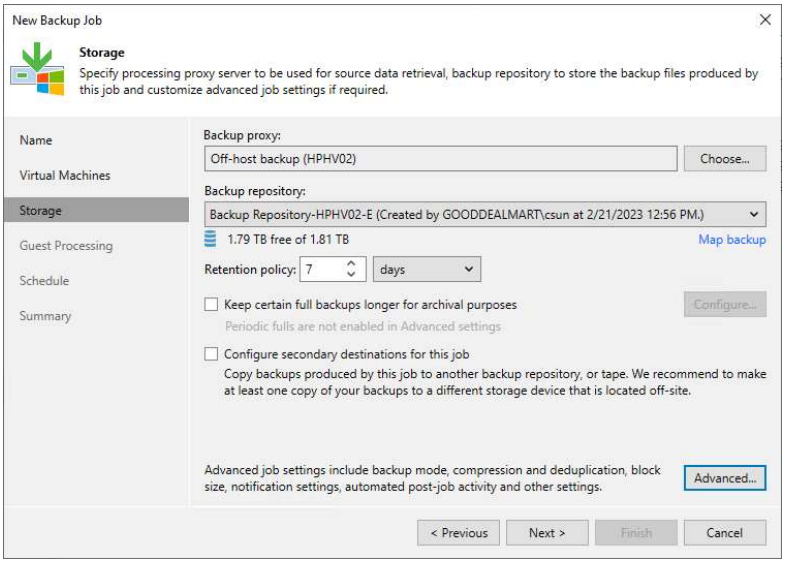
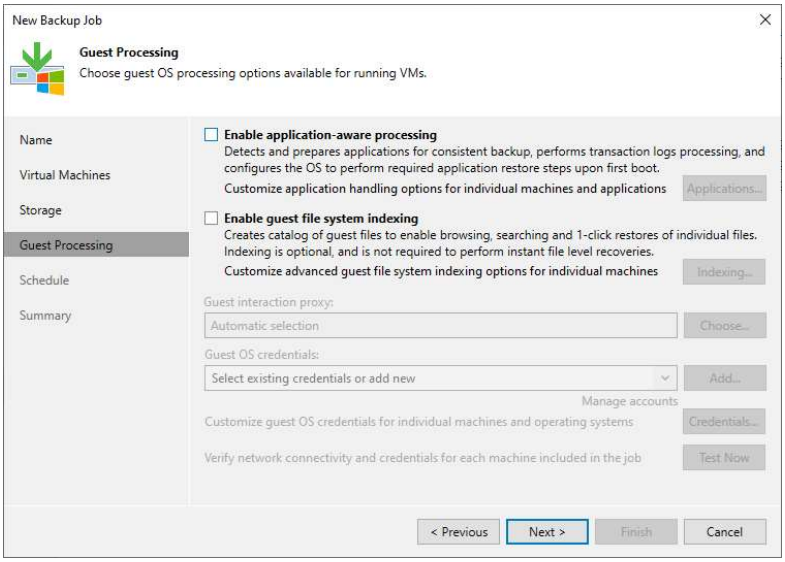
52. On the Advanced Settings page, click Scripts and keep the default settings.
53. Click OK.



54. Click Next on the Storage page.



55. Click Next on the Guess Processing page.



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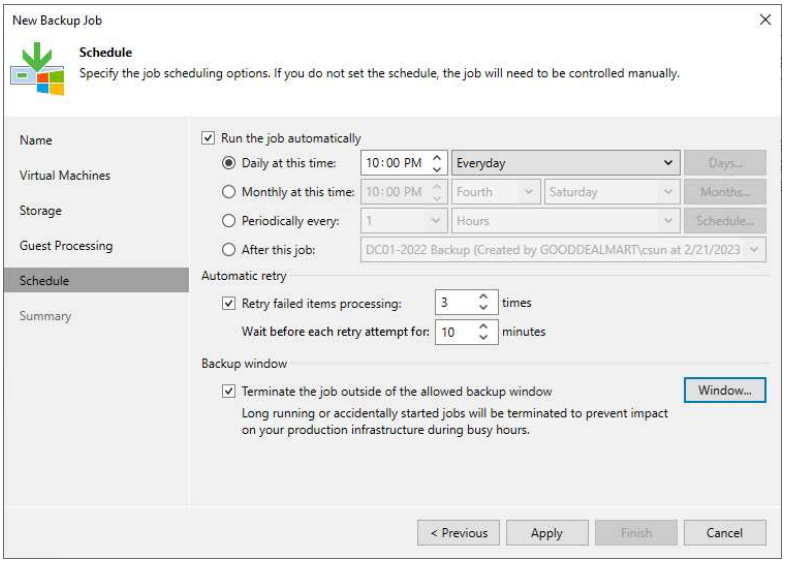
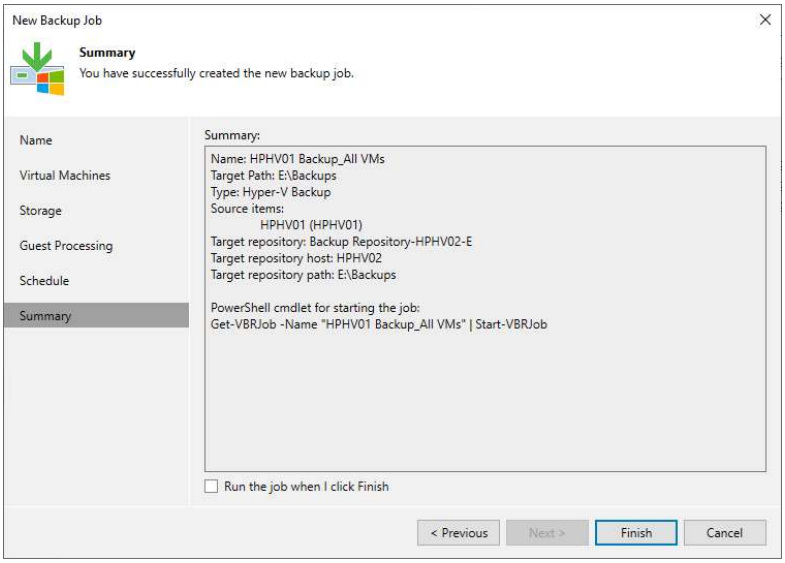
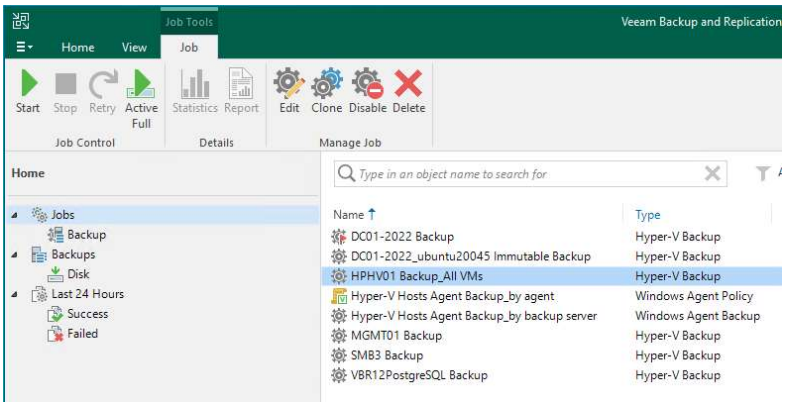
56. Select Run the job automatically checkbox on the Schedule page and select your specified schedule.
57. Define whether Veeam Backup & Replication should retry the backup job if it fails in the Automatic retry section.
58. Define the time interval the backup job must complete in the Backup window section. The backup window ensures that the job does not overlap with production hours and that there is no unnecessary overhead on the production environment.
59. Click Apply.



60. Click Finish on the Summary page.



61. Verify that the backup job has been added.



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