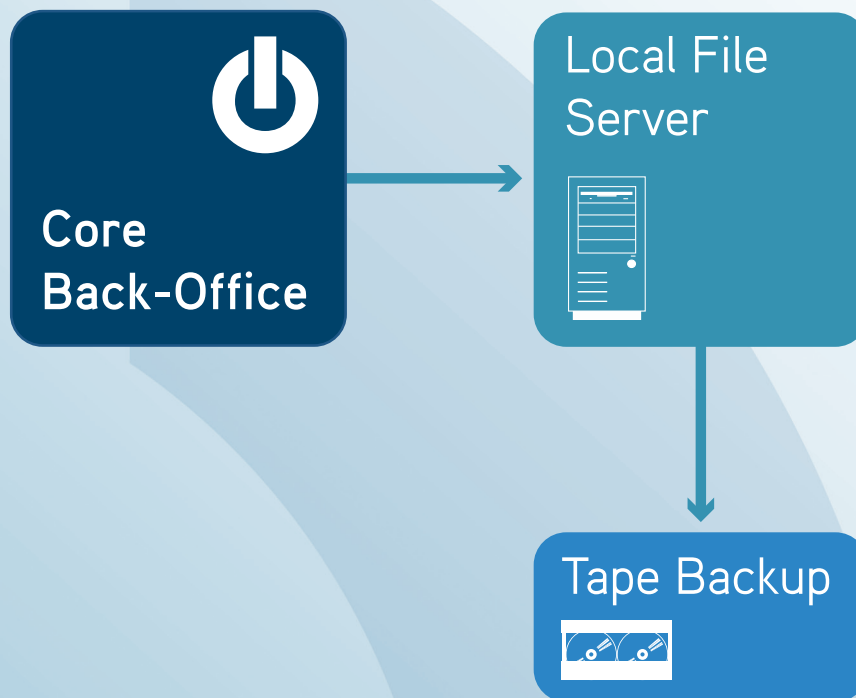


The Express Backup solution can dramatically reduce the time spent securing your Core Back Office data. By taking full advantage of the Linux operating system now running your Back Office applications, you can use routines that backup your data to a file server first, before performing the tape backup process.



How It Works?

The Express Backup option uses a file transfer mechanism, to perform the normal system backup to a nominated server. In the standard configuration, this will be a Linux File Store solution, which will be placed on the Local Area Network within your office. Because this is essentially a Disk-to-Disk procedure, the time taken for this to complete, is minimal compared to that required to perform a normal tape backup.

The second server then manages the actual tape backup, whilst the main system is returned to live operation or, continues to complete other functions such as Month-End reporting.

Additional options are available including:

- Managed retention of archived backup files
- Onward copy of live system data to standalone Training / Development / Test servers
- Push technology to send backup data electronically to remote sites as part of a Business Continuity plan
- Integration with existing enterprise backup solutions

What Does It Do For Me?

Backup to tape is the recommended and most reliable method of securing your business critical data. The downside to any tape backup solution however is, the time taken to complete the backup process itself. As your business data increases, or work dynamics change, this elapsed time can sometimes impact on the normal operation of the business and in some instances, can lead to shortcuts being taken in an attempt to reduce this process time at key points, such as at Month-End or when upgrades or patches are applied to the system.

Using the Express Backup option means that the initial backup is faster and all operators can be back on to the live system, processing business in a matter of minutes resulting in increased productivity and / or reducing any required out-of-hours backup activity performed by system administrators.

In some situations – particularly when installing Core Software Upgrades – a pre and post backup is required. With Express Backup installed, there is no need to shortcut any step to save valuable business time.

How Does It Help My Business?

The solution helps all businesses of any size to maximise server "up time" and minimise any out-of-hours maintenance schedules. Urgent upgrades and patches can be applied to the system during business hours by using Express Backup to reduce the failsafe backup process to minutes and keep all staff active for longer on the system.

Where business is traded on-line with links to the Core Back Office, reducing the server maintenance window will consequently increase the opportunity for business acquisition without compromising data security.

With archive retention, a range of additional configuration options and, a fast efficient solution, Express Backup means you can get on with your business quicker, sooner and safer than before.

Minimum Requirements

MLS	As Core System	BROOMS	12.00 ext 8 or above
Utility	2.12F or above	System	X2.86A/51 or above
Mist Lib	X2.00b or above	Multrem	3.09 or above
Linux File Store			

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