

# How to Run Windows Backup from a Command Prompt to a URL

In order to use Windows Backup to backup to a URL in older version of Windows server 2008 you have to use Windows backup from the command line using `Wbadmin.exe` (more info on WbAdmin can be found at this link <http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc754015.aspx> ). A scheduled task can then be created to for nightly unattended backups.

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1. Determine/create a network location for Windows backup to backup to.
2. Create user on both the source and destination location making it part of the **Backup Users Group** on the source system and just read/write on destination.
3. Copy the following command into run line for testing: `^ powershell ^  
^&#128;&#147;command wbadmin start backup  
-backupTarget:\\<Server name or ^ IP Addrerss>\<Share location  
> -user:<username> -password:<Password> ^ -include:c: -vssFull  
^&#128;&#147;quiet ^ ^ note: make sure you change variable. This  
will start Windows Backup (wbadmin) it will back up the C: drive  
(-include:C:) using a full Volume Shadow Service ^ (-vssfull) to a  
network share (-backupTarget:\\<Server name or ^ IP  
Addrerss>\<Share location >) ^ in quiet mode  
(^&#128;&#147;quiet )`
4. If test is successful create a scheduled task and paste the working command in to the Program/script box

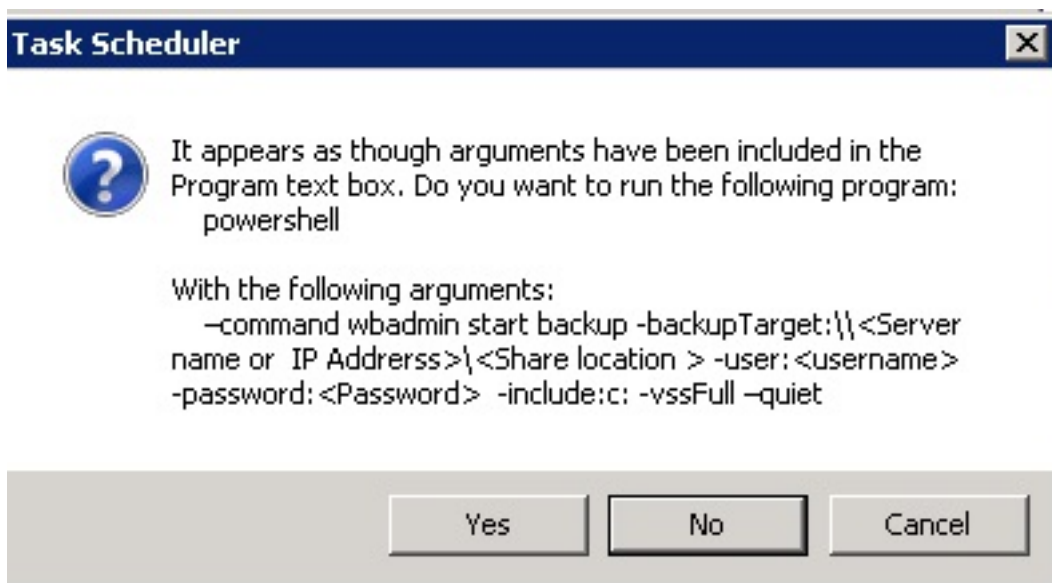
Program/script:

`powershell -command wbadmin start backup -backupTarget:\\<Server` Browse...

Add arguments (optional):

Start in (optional):

- Click yes pop up window.

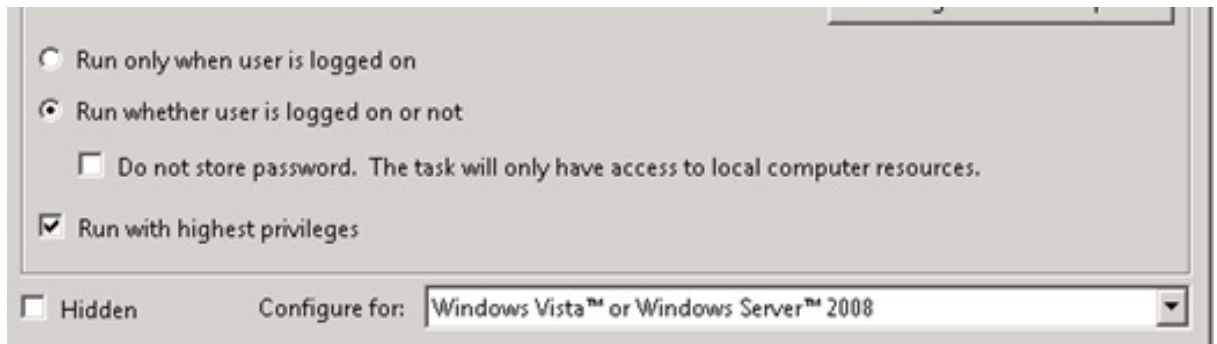


- Before clicking Finish on the task schedule, check box next to "Open the Properties dialog for this task when I click finish";

Action: Start a program; powershell -command wba

☒ Open the Properties dialog for this task when I click Finish

- On the "General" tab click the radial button "Run whether user is logged on or not" and "Run with highest privileges";



8. Click ok then enter the credentials you created in step 1 ( Remember you will use computername/username formatâ&#128;&#157;

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