

RELEASE NOTES

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What's new

This update of HYCU for Azure introduces a variety of new backup and recovery features, key enhancements, and fixes that will help you keep your data protected and safe in a simple and efficient way.

Automatic policy assignment

HYCU for Azure now allows you to set up automatic assignment of policies to virtual machines. You do this by first adding tags to virtual machines in Azure and then specifying the corresponding tag names and values in HYCU for Azure policies, or by adding the `hycu-policy` tag to virtual machines in Azure.

Pre-snapshot and post-snapshot scripts

You can now use the pre-snapshot and post-snapshot scripts to perform necessary actions before and after the snapshot of a virtual machine is created. For example, if the virtual machine hosts a database management system, you may want to put the database offline before the snapshot is taken to ensure the application-consistent backup and bring the database back online when the snapshot creation completes.

Webhooks as a notification channel

You can now configure HYCU for Azure to send webhook notifications when new events occur in your data protection environment. Setting up webhooks as a notification channel (in addition to or as an alternative to emails) allows you to monitor and manage your data protection environment more efficiently, and to immediately respond to the events if required.

Other enhancements and fixes

The following is a list of other enhancements and fixes that come with this update of HYCU for Azure:

- When assigning credentials to virtual machines, you can now select between the following protocols:
 - Automatic: In this case, HYCU for Azure automatically selects a protocol for accessing the virtual machine.
 - SSH or WinRM: In this case, you specify a port number and the type of authentication for accessing the virtual machine.

- Individual restore point entities—Backup, Copy, Archive—can now be selected for the restore or marked as expired (as an alternative to marking the whole restore point as expired).
- You now have the option to activate or deactivate a target as needed.
- The overall web user interface experience has been enhanced, including the addition of links to the Tasks panel and the Azure portal.

For detailed information about all the new features, enhancements, and fixes, see HYCU for Azure Help.

How to start using HYCU for Azure

Delivered as a Data Protection as a Service (DPaaS) solution, HYCU for Azure requires no deployment. You subscribe to the service online from the Azure Marketplace and HYCU then activates the service for you.

For detailed information about subscribing to HYCU for Azure, see the *HYCU for Azure User Guide*.

Supported infrastructure

For information about the supported infrastructure, see the *HYCU for Azure Compatibility Matrix*.

HYCU for Azure documentation set

The HYCU for Azure documentation set includes the following documents that are available online at <https://docs.azure.hycu.com/>:

| Document | Link to the document |
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| <i>HYCU for Azure Release Notes</i> | HYCU for Azure Release Notes |
| <i>HYCU for Azure Compatibility Matrix</i> | HYCU for Azure Compatibility Matrix |
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