



# **Configure credentials for an individual SQL Server resource**

## **SnapCenter Software**

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You can configure credentials to perform data protection jobs on individual SQL Server resources for each user. While you can configure the credentials globally, you might want to do this only for a particular resource.

### About this task

- If you are using Windows credentials for authentication, you must set up your credential before installing plug-ins.

However, if you are using an SQL Server instance for authentication, you must add the credential after installing plug-ins.

- If you have enabled SQL authentication while setting up the credentials, the discovered instance or database is shown with a red color padlock icon.

If the padlock icon appears, you must specify the instance or database credentials to successfully add the instance or database to a resource group.

- You must assign the credential to a role-based access control (RBAC) user without sysadmin access when the following conditions are met:
  - The credential is assigned to an SQL instance.
  - The SQL instance or host is assigned to an RBAC user.



The user must have both the resource group and backup privileges

### Steps

1. In the left navigation pane, click **Settings**.
2. In the **Settings** page, click **Credential**.
3. To add a new credential, click **New**.
4. In the **Credential** page, configure the credentials:

For this field...	Do this...
Credential name	Enter a name for the credentials.

For this field...	Do this...
<b>Username</b>	<p>Enter the user name used for SQL Server authentication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Domain administrator or any member of the administrator group Specify the domain administrator or any member of the administrator group on the system on which you are installing the SnapCenter plug-in. Valid formats for the <b>Username</b> field are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>NetBIOS\UserName</i></li> <li><i>Domain FQDN\UserName</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>Local administrator (for workgroups only) For systems that belong to a workgroup, specify the built-in local administrator on the system on which you are installing the SnapCenter plug-in. You can specify a local user account that belongs to the local administrators group if the user account has elevated privileges or the User Access control feature is disabled on the host system. The valid format for the <b>Username</b> field is: <i>UserName</i></li> </ul>
<b>Password</b>	Enter the password used for authentication.
<b>Authentication mode</b>	Select the SQL Server authentication mode. You can also choose Windows authentication if the Windows user has sysadmin privileges on the SQL server.
<b>Host</b>	Select the host.
<b>SQL Server Instance</b>	Select the SQL Server instance.

5. Click **OK** to add the credential.
6. In the left navigation pane, click **Resources**.
7. In the **Resources** page, select **Instance** from the **View** list.
  - a. Click , and then select the host name to filter the instances.
  - b. Click  to close the filter pane.



The credential option does not apply to databases and availability groups.

8. In the **Instance Protect** page, protect the instance, and if required, click **Configure Credentials**.

If the user who is logged in to the SnapCenter Server does not have access to SnapCenter Plugin for Microsoft SQL Server, then the user has to configure the credentials.

9. Click **Refresh Resources**.

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