



## What's New in Catalogic® ECX™ 2.9

**Application-aware automation for storage array snapshot, replication and cloning**

*This document summarizes the major enhancements in the latest release of Catalogic's software-defined copy data management platform, ECX 2.9*

*This release of Catalogic ECX contains several feature enhancements as well as performance and usability improvements. Many of the changes are a result of feedback or requests received from our customers based on their needs and use of the product.*

*A complete list of enhancements is in the following table. For a comprehensive list of all the new features, feature enhancements and fixes, please consult the Catalogic ECX 2.9 Release Notes at the Catalogic ECX My Support portal.*

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## New Feature Information for Catalogic ECX 2.9

Feature	Description	Benefit
Microsoft SQL Server Enhancements		
Support use of a CIFS share for SQL Application log backup destination	SQL policies can specify a CIFS share as the global log destination path.	Allows SQL servers to write log backup content to an external share. Avoids needing a local mount point to be created.
Ability to select all SQL Instances or Databases for log backup	Users can make a single selection to have all SQL instances included in the policy or have log backup performed for all databases.	Usability is improved by simplifying the selection process. This also helps avoid inadvertently missing instances or logs.
Improved SQL inventory performance	SQL Inventory job execution time is reduced.	Inventory results are available for use sooner thereby lessening the potential for job overlap.
Improved SQL backup performance	SQL Backup job execution time is reduced.	SQL data protection SLA can be improved.
Improved GUI performance for SQL copy policy creation	GUI responsiveness increased for larger scale SQL environments.	Better user experience.
VMware Enhancements		
VM search facility when defining an instant disk restore policy	Filter the display of disks to ones belonging to a subset of VMs.	Eliminates the need to scroll thru the entire set of disks from all VMs thereby saving time and avoiding selection errors.
Improved GUI performance for VM restore policy creation	GUI responsiveness increased for larger scale VM environments and higher number of retention points.	Better user experience.
General Enhancements		
Permit use of NetApp QTree path for provisioning NFS datastores	Support added to allow a NetApp QTree path to be used for mounting a VMware NFS datastore.	Facilitates use of quota management features on NetApp storage.

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General Enhancements		
Improved ECX database performance	Database configuration tuned for faster query operation and reduced memory usage.	Better response time of ECX application and lower system resource consumption.
Updated licensing model	Simplified license model for NetApp storage categories.	Clear and accurate license verification and reporting.

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