



# Manage snapshot schedules

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# Manage snapshot schedules

## Change the settings for a snapshot schedule in SANtricity System Manager

For a snapshot schedule, you can change automatic collection times or the frequency of collection.

### About this task

You can import settings from an existing snapshot schedule, or you can modify settings as needed.

Because a snapshot schedule is associated to a snapshot group or snapshot consistency group, reserved capacity might be affected by changes to schedule settings.

### Steps

1. From the left panel, select **Storage > Snapshots**.
2. Click the **Snapshot Schedules** tab.
3. Select the snapshot schedule that you want to change, and then click **Edit**.

The Edit Snapshot Schedule dialog box appears.

4. Do one of the following:
  - **Use a previously defined schedule from another snapshot object** — Click **Import Schedule**, select the object with the schedule you want to import, and then click **Import**.
  - **Edit the schedule settings** — Refer to Field Details below.

## Field details

Setting	Description
Day / month	<p>Choose one of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Daily / Weekly</b> — Select individual days for synchronization snapshots. You also can select the <b>Select all days</b> check box in the upper right if you want a daily schedule.</li><li>• <b>Monthly / Yearly</b> — Select individual months for synchronization snapshots. In the <b>On day(s)</b> field, enter the days of the month for synchronizations to occur. Valid entries are <b>1</b> through <b>31</b> and <b>Last</b>. You can separate multiple days with a comma or semi-colon. Use a hyphen for inclusive dates. For example: 1,3,4,10-15,Last. You also can select the <b>Select all months</b> check box in the upper right if you want a monthly schedule.</li></ul>
Start time	From the drop-down list, select a new start time for the daily snapshots. Selections are provided in half-hour increments. The start time defaults to one half-hour ahead of the current time.
Time zone	From the drop-down list, select your storage array's time zone.
Snapshots per day	Select the number of snapshot images to create per day.
Time between snapshots	If you select more than one, also select the time between restore points. For multiple restore points, be sure that you have adequate reserved capacity.
Start date	Enter the start date for synchronizations to begin. Also enter an end date or select <b>No end date</b> .
End date	
No end date	

5. Click **Save**.

## Activate and suspend a snapshot schedule in SANtricity System Manager

You can temporarily suspend scheduled collection of snapshot images when you need to conserve storage space. This method is more efficient than deleting and later re-creating the snapshot schedule.

### About this task

The state of the snapshot schedule stays suspended until you use the **Activate** option to resume scheduled snapshot activity.

### Steps

1. From the left panel, select **Storage > Snapshots**.
2. If it is not already displayed, click the **Snapshot Schedules** tab.

The schedules are listed on the page.

3. Select an active snapshot schedule that you want to suspend, and then click **Activate / Suspend**.

The State column status changes to **Suspended**, and the snapshot schedule stops collection of all snapshot images.

4. To resume collecting snapshot images, select the suspended snapshot schedule that you want to resume, and then click **Activate / Suspend**.

The State column status changes to **Active**.

## Delete a snapshot schedule in SANtricity System Manager

If you no longer want to collect snapshot images, you can delete an existing snapshot schedule.

### About this task

When you delete a snapshot schedule, the associated snapshot images are not deleted along with it. If you think the collection of snapshot images might be resumed at some point, you should suspend the snapshot schedule rather than delete it.

### Steps

1. From the left panel, select **Storage > Snapshots**.
2. Click the **Snapshots Schedules** tab.
3. Select the snapshot schedule that you want to delete, click **Delete**, and confirm the operation.

### Results

The system removes all schedule attributes from the base volume or snapshot consistency group.

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