

# SolarWinds

## Serv-U Administrator Guide

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Convention	Specifying
<b>Bold</b>	Window items, including buttons and fields.
<i>Italics</i>	Book and CD titles, variable names, new terms
Fixed font	File and directory names, commands and code examples, text typed by you
Straight brackets, as in [value]	Optional command parameters
Curly braces, as in {value}	Required command parameters
Logical OR, as in value1 value2	Exclusive command parameters where only one of the options can be specified

## SolarWinds Serv-U Documentation

The following documents are included in the SolarWinds Serv-U documentation library:

Document	Purpose
Administrator Guide	Provides detailed setup, configuration, and conceptual information.
Evaluation Guide	Provides an introduction to Serv-U features and instructions for installation and initial configuration.
Page Help	Provides help for every window in the Serv-U user interface
Release Notes	Provides the latest information about known issues, and updates. The latest Release Notes can be found at <a href="http://www.serv-u.com/documentation.asp">http://www.serv-u.com/documentation.asp</a>
Firewall Guide	<a href="http://www.serv-u.com/docs/Serv-U_Firewall_Guide.pdf">http://www.serv-u.com/docs/Serv-U_Firewall_Guide.pdf</a>
Distributed Architecture Guide	<a href="http://www.rhinosoft.com/docs/serv-u_distributed_architecture.pdf">http://www.rhinosoft.com/docs/serv-u_distributed_architecture.pdf</a>
Database Integration Guide	<a href="http://www.serv-u.com/serv-u_db_integration_guide.pdf">http://www.serv-u.com/serv-u_db_integration_guide.pdf</a>



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## Chapter 1

## Introduction

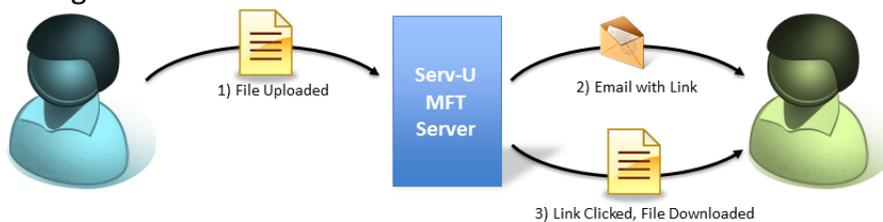
SolarWinds Serv-U Server provides secure file transfers and file sharing services with an easy-to-use web interface.

Serv-U supports FTP, FTPS and SFTP (SSH) connections including HTTPS that allows end users to transfer files from desktops and many mobile devices without installing any software.

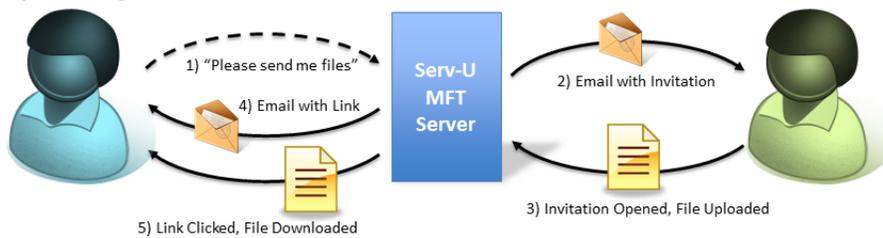
This latest Serv-U version offers two substantial new improvements to the following features:

- [Web Client Interface](#)
- [File Sharing](#)

### Sending Files



### Requesting Files



## Chapter 2

# Installing Serv-U

This chapter includes information needed to install Serv-U.

- [System Requirements](#)
- [Installing Serv-U](#)
- [Licensing Serv-U](#)

## Serv-U Installation Requirements

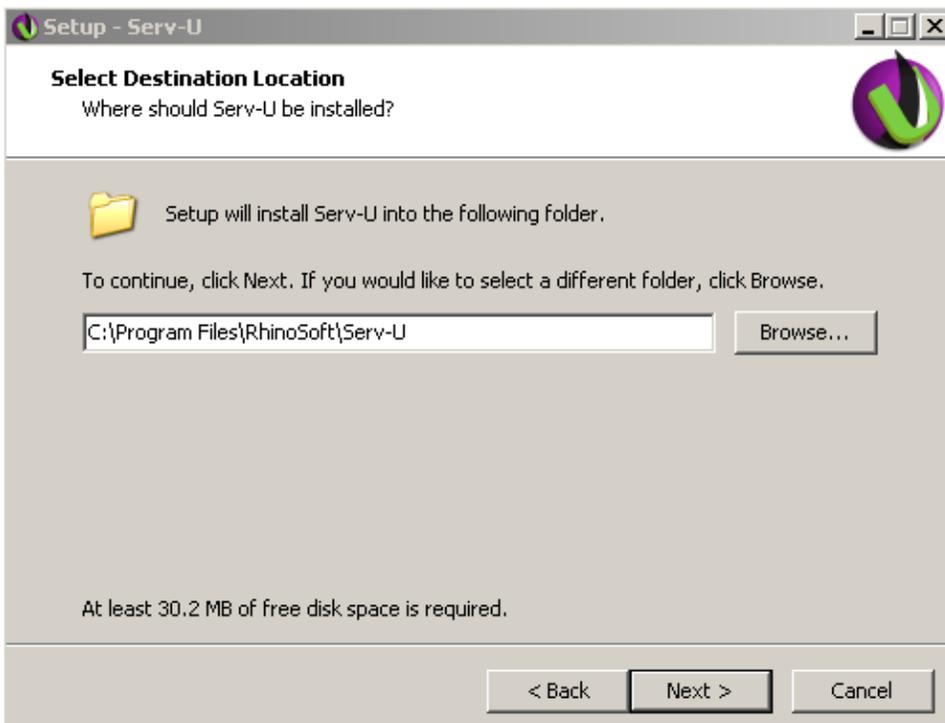
Hardware	Minimum Requirements
CPU	Dual processor, 2.0 GHz or faster
Memory	3 GB
Hard Drive	20 GB
Application ports	443 (HTTPS - secure web access) 22 (SFTP – secure FTP client access over SSH) Also ports 21, 80,990. (see <a href="#">Serv-U Firewall Guide</a> for FTP and other file transfer protocols)
Software	
Serv-U Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Windows Server 2012, 2008 or 2003</li> <li>• Windows 7 or 8</li> <li>• Red Hat Enterprise Linux (current version)</li> <li>• Ubuntu (current version)</li> </ul>
Client Machine <i>(may be same as Serv-U Server)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Windows Server 2012, 2008 or 2003</li> <li>• Windows XP, 7 or 8</li> <li>• Red Hat Enterprise Linux (current version)</li> <li>• Ubuntu (current version)</li> <li>• Mac OS X</li> <li>• iPad, Nexus, Kindle Fire or other tablet</li> <li>• iPhone, Android, Blackberry or other smart phone</li> </ul> <p>Must have a web browser (such as IE, Safari, Firefox or Chrome)</p>
Database	<i>(optional for demo; SQL Server or SQL Server Express recommended – see <a href="#">Serv-U Database Integration Guide</a> for details.)</i>
Complete Requirement Information	<a href="http://www.serv-u.com/kb/1200/ServU-System-Requirements">http://www.serv-u.com/kb/1200/ServU-System-Requirements</a>

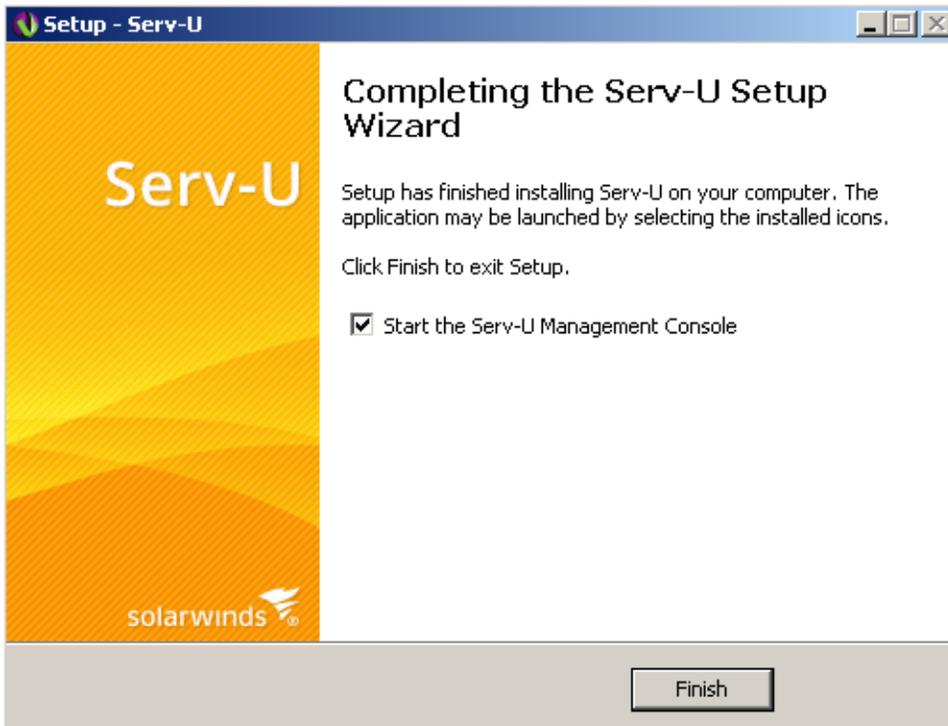
## Installation

The installation wizard will walk you through creating your first domain, setting up listeners, and creating your first user. Click the downloaded executable file and follow the screen prompts as follows.



Select the install destination.





### Installation Notes:

- Serv-U will not permit you to sign on with end users who are missing their home folders. (Full permissions will make it easy to test all functions from your FTP client or web browser; feel free to lock down permissions once you understand how those permissions work.)
- When you connect from your web browser to Serv-U's HTTPS interface on port 443, you may be warned about an invalid certificate. This is normal when connecting to a server using a temporary certificate – You can ignore the certificate error and continue. (Production deployments normally use a commercial web certificate from a trusted CA.)
- Secure file sharing must be enabled on Serv-U before you can try it. Click the appropriate checkbox on the "File Sharing" tab in your new domain to enable it.
- When you connect from your web browser to Serv-U's HTTPS interface on port 443 or to Serv-U's FTPS interface on ports 21 or 990 for the first time, you may be asked to trust the SSH fingerprint of the remote server. This is expected behavior when connecting to any SFTP (or SSH) server.
- You must configure an SMTP server to test email notifications. Click [here for steps](#).
- Administrators can set a default client or disable unused clients before allowing end users onto the system. There are three options when first logging in > Web Client, File Sharing, and FTP Voyager. For more information about setting a default view [go here](#).

## Configuring Serv-U

The following section details what you need to use Serv-U after installation.

There are three required levels of configuration to the Serv-U File Server:

- [The Server](#)
- [The Domain](#)
- [The User](#)
- [User Groups](#) (Optional)

## Server

The Server is the basic unit of the Serv-U File Server. It represents the File Server as a whole and controls the behavior of all Domains, and Users. The Server is at the top-level of the hierarchy of configuring Serv-U.

Domains and Users inherit their default settings from the Server. The default settings can be overridden on a per setting basis. Inherited settings can be overridden at each of these lower levels. However, some settings are exclusive to the Server, such as the PASV port range.

The Serv-U File Server allows for certain settings to be configured at the Server level. When configured at the Server level, the settings apply to all Users, Groups, and Domains on the Server unless those settings are overridden at a lower level. Settings that can be configured at the Server level include: Directory Access rules, IP Access rules, bandwidth limitations, global user accounts (user accounts which can log into any Serv-U Domain).

## Create a Domain

Serv-U Domains are collections of users and [groups \(optional\)](#) which share common settings, such as transfer rate limitations, service listeners, and directory access rules. In most cases, all of your users and settings will exist in the same domain, with no need to create separate domains.

**Note:** This does not mean that all users share access to the same files. Each user in Serv-U has unique permissions to the directories that you define, and does not have access to any files or folders unless you explicitly grant them that access.

After first installing Serv-U, no domains will exist. The Serv-U Management Console will prompt you to create an initial Domain. The Domain Wizard will walk you through the process.

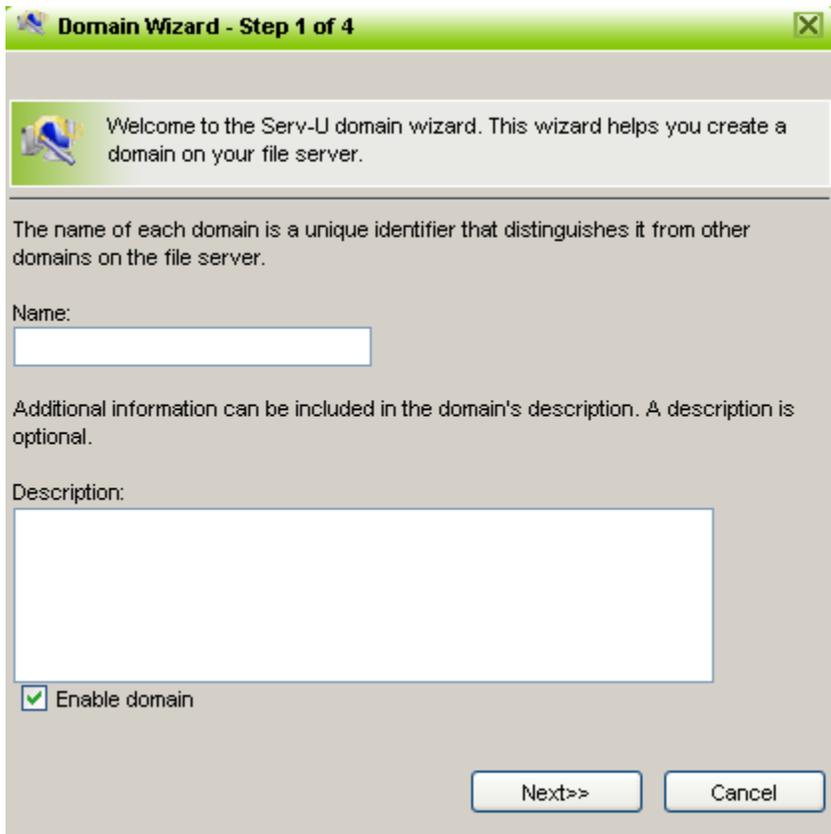
## Configuring a Domain in Serv-U

To set up a domain (FTP site) in Serv-U, follow these steps below.

1. Click **New Domain** from the Serv-U Management Console home page in the upper corner.



2. Enter the name and description of the domain, and click **Next**. This name is for reference only and has no impact on the function of the domain.



**Domain Wizard - Step 1 of 4**

Welcome to the Serv-U domain wizard. This wizard helps you create a domain on your file server.

The name of each domain is a unique identifier that distinguishes it from other domains on the file server.

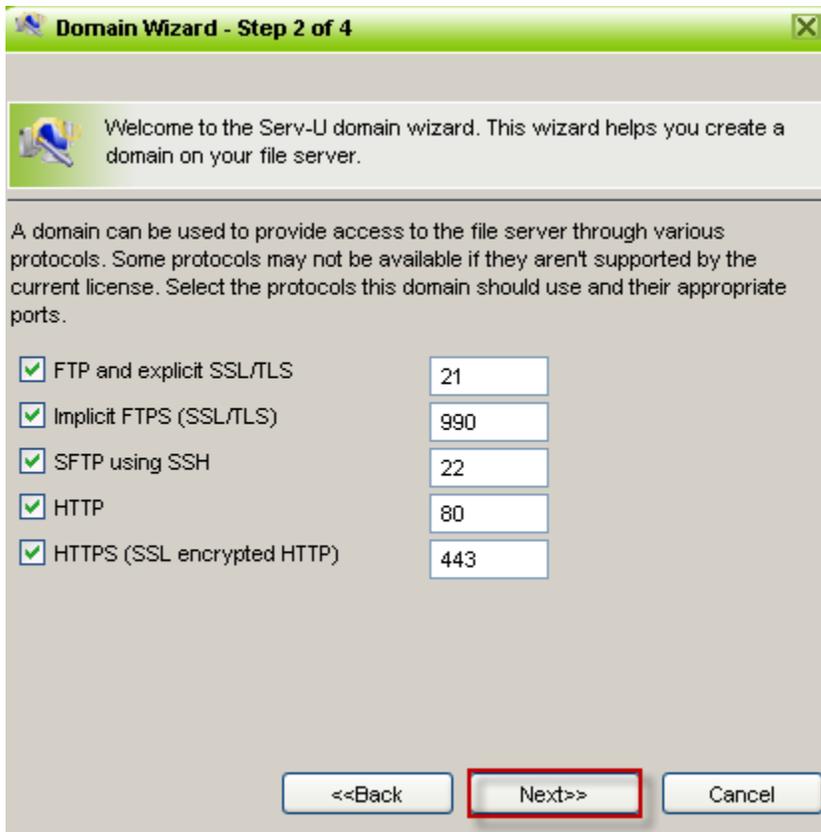
Name:

Additional information can be included in the domain's description. A description is optional.

Description:

Enable domain

3. A list of listeners will be displayed - these represent different ways that users can connect to your server. In most cases, these can all be left at their defaults. Click **Next**.



**Domain Wizard - Step 2 of 4**

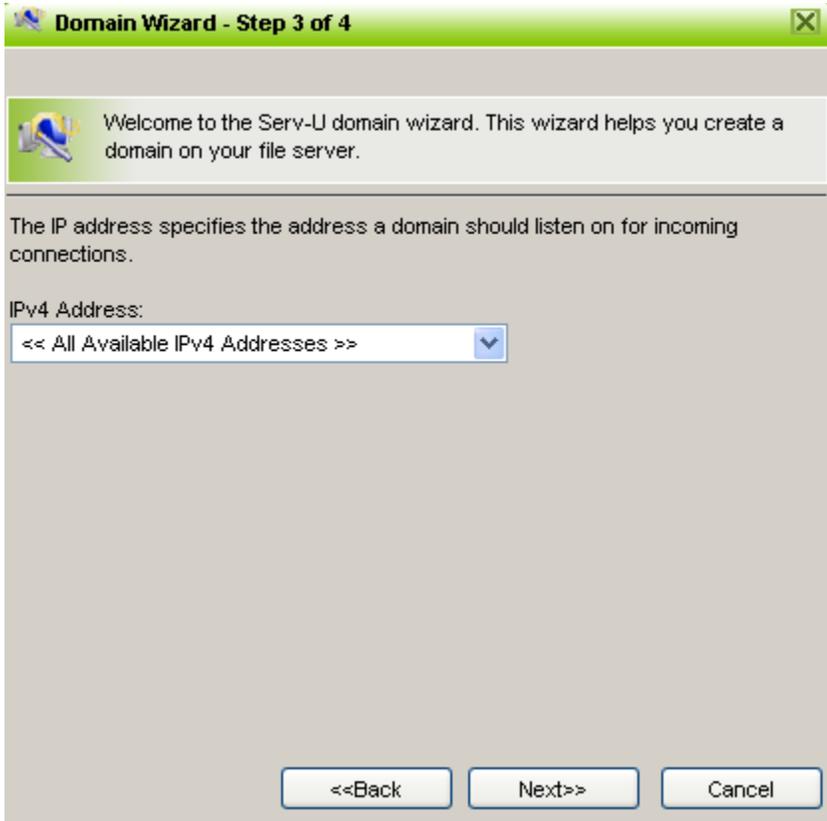
Welcome to the Serv-U domain wizard. This wizard helps you create a domain on your file server.

A domain can be used to provide access to the file server through various protocols. Some protocols may not be available if they aren't supported by the current license. Select the protocols this domain should use and their appropriate ports.

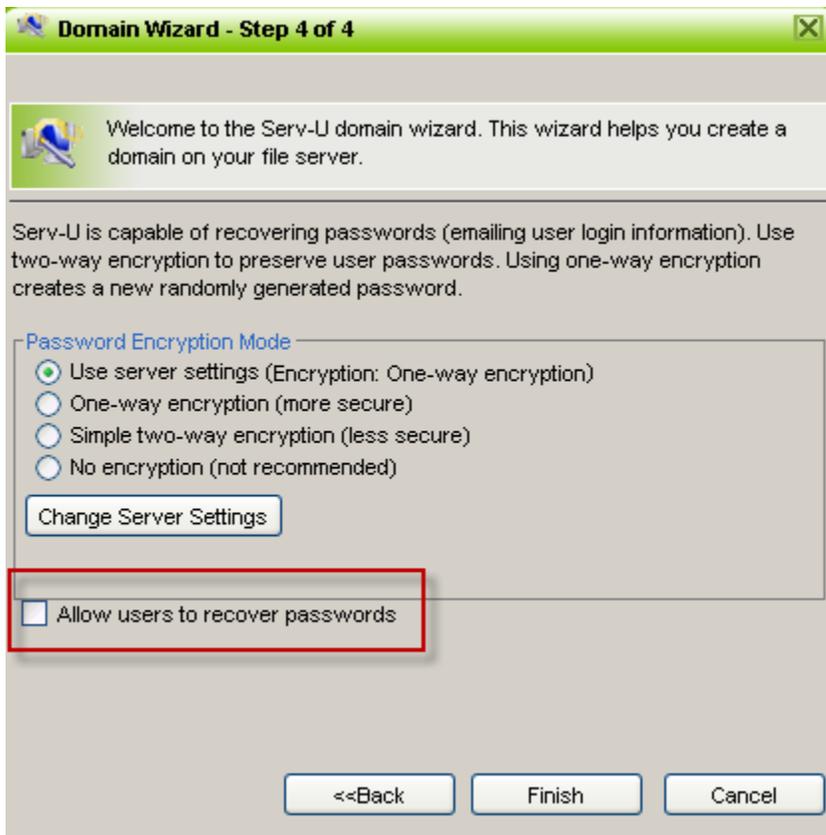
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FTP and explicit SSL/TLS	<input type="text" value="21"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Implicit FTPS (SSL/TLS)	<input type="text" value="990"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SFTP using SSH	<input type="text" value="22"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HTTP	<input type="text" value="80"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HTTPS (SSL encrypted HTTP)	<input type="text" value="443"/>

**Note:** Serv-U supports FTP, HTTP (All Editions), FTPS, and SFTP with HTTPS (MFT Server). These listeners can be configured during the setup process. If you already have a web server, you may need to set the HTTP/HTTPS listeners to use a nonstandard port like 8080/8081 or disable them by “unchecking” those listeners.

4. If the domain must use a specific, locally assigned IP address, one can be entered here (in most cases, this is unnecessary). This must be the IP address assigned to a NIC on the server. Click **Finish**.



5. Password Encryption Mode: If desired, check the **Allow users to recover passwords** box.



6. Click **Finish**.

## Creating Users

Serv-U supports user accounts at the domain level where they can access one Domain, or at the server level where they can access all Domains.

Since User accounts can be assigned at the various levels with the same login ID, a hierarchy is used by Serv-U to determine which account takes precedence.

- **Domain Users** - Defined at the Domain level, Domain Users can only login to the Domain under which they are created.
- **Global Users** - Defined at the Server level, Global Users are accounts that can login to **any** Domain on the File Server.
- **Database Users** - Available at both the Server and Domain level, Database Users are stored in an external database accessible through ODBC and supplement the local account database.
- **Windows Users** - Defined at the Domain level, Windows Users use the credentials and often, the home directories, of Windows accounts from the local machine or Windows domain controller (including Active Directory). Windows Users only work on Windows, and require a Serv-U MFT Server license.
- **LDAP Users** - Defined at the Domain level, LDAP Users use the credentials and often, the email and other attributes, of LDAP accounts from a remote LDAP server. Unlike Windows Users, LDAP Users work on both Windows and Linux, and may access LDAP servers (including Active Directory) in any accessible domain. LDAP Users require a Serv-U MFT Server license.

The User account types listed above are listed in the order of precedence. Where User accounts can be specified at both the Domain and Server levels, the Domain level account always takes precedence over the Server one.

When creating Users, consider what kind of access they need, and select the appropriate location for the User account accordingly - time and effort can be saved by entering such settings at the Server level to remove the need for multiple User accounts at the Domain level.

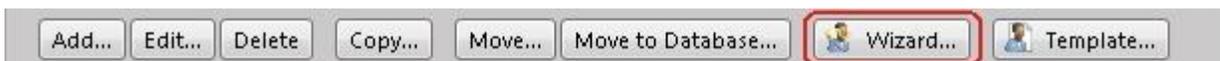
To add a new user in Serv-U, follow the steps below.

#### To add a new user:

1. Open the Serv-U Management Console.
2. Navigate to the Users or Global Users menu.



3. To create user accounts quickly and easily, click the "Wizard" button.



4. Enter the user name and click **Next**.

**User Wizard - Step 1 of 4**
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Welcome to the Serv-U user account wizard. This wizard helps you quickly create new users to access your file server.

The login ID is provided by the client to identify their account when attempting to login to the file server.

Login ID:

Full Name:  (optional)

Email Address:  (optional)

5. Enter the password and click **Next**.



6. Enter the home directory, select whether the user should be locked into their home directory, and then click **Next**.

**User Wizard - Step 3 of 4**

Welcome to the Serv-U user account wizard. This wizard helps you quickly create new users to access your file server.

The home directory is the physical location where the user is placed after successfully logging in to the file server. If the user is locked in the home directory, the location of their home directory is hidden from them by displaying it as '/'.

Home Directory:

Lock user in home directory

<<Back   Next>>   Cancel

7. Select whether the user should have Read Only access or Full Access, and click **Finish** (Full Access does NOT allow the user to execute files remotely).

**User Wizard - Step 4 of 4**

Welcome to the Serv-U user account wizard. This wizard helps you quickly create new users to access your file server.

Select the access rights to be granted to the user in their home directory. Read Only access allows the user to browse and download files. Full Access grants the user full control of files and directories within their home directory.

Access Rights:

<<Back   Finish   Cancel

## Groups

The Group is an optional level of extra configuration provided to make it easier to manage related User accounts that share many of the same settings. By using a Group, administrators can quickly make changes that propagate to more than one User account instead of having to manually configure each one separately.

A Group inherits all of its default settings from the Domain it belongs to. It defines the collection of settings inherited by all Users who are a member of the Group. Most User level settings can be configured at the Group level, or overridden at the User level.

From the Management Console you can create groups.



## Groups

- Create, modify, and delete user groups.
- Create, modify, and delete user groups stored in a database.
- Create, modify, and delete Windows user groups.
- Create, modify, and delete LDAP user groups.

## Using Groups to set Home Directories

Serv-U Groups can be used to set a standard Home Directory that is shared by all the users in your group, and offers two powerful options in the form of "Macros".

The %USER% macro can be used in the Home Directory field to create individual user home directories that requires only a single configuration.

For example, using D:\ftp\%USER% as a Home Directory will automatically create a Home Directory corresponding to the user name. Then, you can set the Directory Access rule to the %HOME% macro so that all members have access to their home directory automatically, no matter which user is a member of the group.



## Configuring Directory Access Rules with Windows Users

Serv-U has the ability to grant access to paths based on Windows accounts on a per-rule basis. This allows you to grant access to UNC paths throughout your network without needing to modify the properties of the Serv-U service.

To edit a Directory Access rule, click on "**Advanced**". An extra pop-out will prompt you for the Windows user settings to be associated with this rule. Keep in mind that when the password or properties of this Windows user change, the Directory Access rule will change also, so it is advised to only use this option in Groups.

**Directory Access Rule**

Path: \\fileserv-01\accounting\

**Files**

- Read
- Write
- Append
- Rename
- Delete
- Execute ⚠

**Directories**

- List
- Create
- Rename
- Remove

**Subdirectories**

- Inherit

Maximum size of directory contents: \_\_\_\_\_ MB (leave blank for no limit)

**Access as Windows User**

User Name: admin@rhinosoft.com

Password: ●●●●●●

Windows Domain Name (optional): rhinosoft.com

Buttons: Save, Cancel, Help, Full Access, Read Only, Advanced <<

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## Chapter 3

# Serv-U Quick Tour

- [File Sharing](#)
- [Web Client Interface](#)
- [Common Administrator Tasks](#)

## File Sharing

SolarWinds Managed File Transfer (MFT) Server allows IT departments to provide secure file transfer and file sharing services with an easy-to-use interface. File Sharing allows users to send or receive files from guests.

### File Sharing Console

The File Sharing user interface allows you to view, manage, and edit all incoming and outgoing file sharing requests. This dashboard is where all File Sharing requests are initiated. Clicking **Home** in the left corner will always bring you back to this dashboard.

Home | [Request Files](#) | [Send Files](#) Daily Activity 1 1 Jump to: [File Sharing](#)

**Requested Files** (Last 5 File Shares) Last updated 7/8/2013 at 04:22 PM Refresh

Date Received	Subject	Recipient(s)	Status	Size	# of Files	Expires	Download	Delete
7/8/2013 04:20 PM	<a href="#">Serv-U File Share Link [expires 7/15/2013 ...</a>	mark. @solarwind...	Sent Email	0 KB	0	7/15/2013		

[View All Requested >>](#)

**Sent Files** (Last 5 File Shares) Last updated 7/8/2013 at 04:22 PM Refresh

Date Sent	Subject	Recipient(s)	Status	Size	# of Files	Expires	Download	Delete
7/8/2013 04:20 PM	<a href="#">Serv-U File Share Link [expires 7/15/2013 ...</a>	mark. @solarwind...	Sent Email	36.13 KB	1	7/15/2013		

[View All Sent >>](#)

### Requesting Files

End users may request files from other people by sending email invites with options to have share expirations dates and password protections. Guests automatically receive a notification inviting them to send files, and the end user will get additional notifications as files are sent.

## View All

The dashboard also allows you to see a summary of all the files sent or requested.

Clicking **View All Requested** or **View All Sent** displays an overview of files sent/received, dates, recipients and when they expire. To remove a file from the list, click **delete**.

 **Requested Files** (Last 5 File Shares) Last updated 7/8/2013

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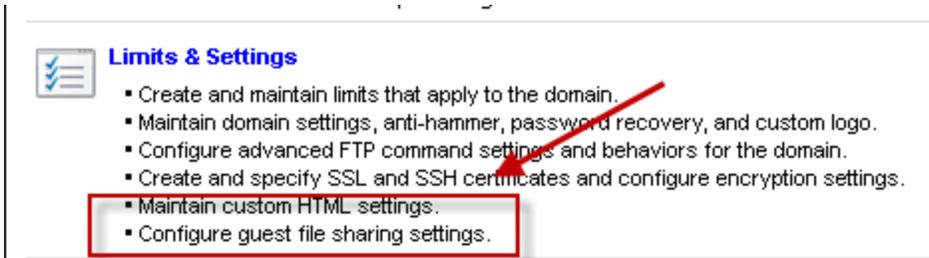
## File Sharing Configuration

File Sharing is disabled by default. The following steps detail how to enable your domain users to send or receive files from guests.

**Note:** To send file sharing invitation emails, you must configure your SMTP settings. This configuration only needs to be set once for the entire server or a domain. The SMTP configuration is located on the **Domain Details** and **Server Details** pages. Under the **Events** tab, click **Configure SMTP**.

### To enable File Sharing:

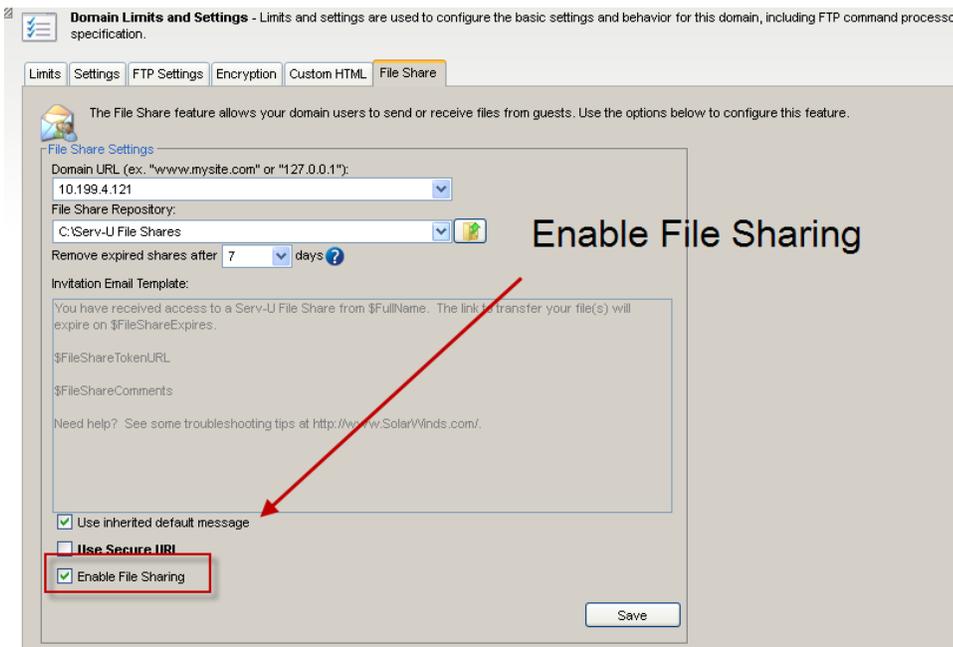
1. From the Administrator Console select **Limits & Settings > Configure guest file sharing settings**.



**Limits & Settings**

- Create and maintain limits that apply to the domain.
- Maintain domain settings, anti-hammer, password recovery, and custom logo.
- Configure advanced FTP command settings and behaviors for the domain.
- Create and specify SSL and SSH certificates and configure encryption settings.
- **Maintain custom HTML settings.**
- **Configure guest file sharing settings.**

2. Enter the address for the domain URL.
3. Enter the file share repository location.
4. Select the number of days until the shares expire.
5. Check the box on whether you would like to use the default email notification message or customize your own. If unchecked you can enter in a custom message.
6. Check **Enable File Sharing**



**Domain Limits and Settings** - Limits and settings are used to configure the basic settings and behavior for this domain, including FTP command processor specification.

Limits Settings FTP Settings Encryption Custom HTML **File Share**

The File Share feature allows your domain users to send or receive files from guests. Use the options below to configure this feature.

**File Share Settings**

Domain URL (ex. "www.mysite.com" or "127.0.0.1"): 10.199.4.121

File Share Repository: C:\Serv-U File Shares

Remove expired shares after: 7 days

Invitation Email Template:

You have received access to a Serv-U File Share from \$FullName. The link to transfer your file(s) will expire on \$FileShareExpires.

\$FileShareTokenURL

\$FileShareComments

Need help? See some troubleshooting tips at <http://www.SolarWinds.com/>.

Use inherited default message

Use Secure URL

**Enable File Sharing**

Save

7. Configure your SMTP to send/receive notification emails.

## Using File Sharing

The File Sharing feature allows your domain users to send or receive files from guests. The following steps detail how to use the feature.

### To Send Files:

1. Login to the web console.
2. Select **File Sharing**.



3. Click **Send Files**.

**To send files to a guest user enter the following details:**

1. Enter the users email address.
2. Enter a subject title.
3. Enter any additional comments.
4. Enter your contact information.
5. Set an expiration date for when the link to upload files will expire. 90 days is the maximum time for link availability.

- You can be notified when files have been downloaded, send a downlink link in the email, set file size limits, and require a password to access Serv-U.

**Send Files to Guest User: Add Details** (Step 1 of 2)

Enter email details and other information to be included with the uploaded file(s). Email will be sent to the guest user(s) with a link that grants them access to the uploaded file(s). For added security, set a custom or a system generated password, and specify a download link expiration time or date.

<p><b>Email Information</b> <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">1</span></p> <p>Guest Email Address(es)  <input type="text"/></p> <p>Email Subject  <input type="text" value="Serv-U File Share Link [expires Tuesday, June 18, 2013 12:00:00 AM]"/> <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">2</span></p> <p>Comments (optional)  <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; height: 80px; width: 100%;"></div> <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">3</span></p> <p><b>My Contact Information</b> <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">4</span></p> <p>Name  <input type="text"/></p> <p>Email Address  <input type="text"/></p> <p>Confirm Email Address  <input type="text"/></p>	<p><b>Serv-U Access Link Expiration</b> <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">5</span></p> <p>The link to download files should expire:</p> <p><input checked="" type="radio"/> on this specific date <input type="text" value="06/18/2013"/></p> <p><input type="radio"/> In <input type="text" value="24"/> hours</p> <p><input type="radio"/> In <input type="text" value="30"/> days</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Expiration dates help keep your files more secure by limiting access.</p> <p><b>Other Settings</b> (optional) <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">6</span></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notify me when the file(s) have been downloaded</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automatically send the download link to the guest user(s) in an email</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Send me an email copy with the download link</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Require the guest to enter this password to access Serv-U.          (To generate a password, click on the key button)</p> <p><input type="text" value=""/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Include the password in the email (less secure)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Your passwords are not recoverable. In the case of a lost password, the file(s) would need to be resent with a new password.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">7</span></p> <p style="text-align: right;"> <input type="button" value="Next &gt;&gt;"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/> </p>
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- Click **Next**.
- Select the files you want. Upload up to 20 files in one file share. Each file must be under 2 GB in size. Click **Upload**.

**Send Files to Guest User: Upload Files** (Step 2 of 2)

Upload up to 20 files in one file share. Please note that each file must be under 2 GB in size.

Select your file(s) to upload

1.	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>	delete_dns.png	<input type="button" value="x"/>
2.	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>	No file chosen	
3.	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>	No file chosen	
4.	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>	No file chosen	
5.	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/>	No file chosen	

**Upload Confirmation page**

- File Upload Confirmation date and time.
- Verify the correct file was sent. No action is required, unless you need to cancel the file upload. **(Step 5)**

3. URL of the link guest will use to download these files.
4. List what was uploaded.
5. Options to generate another email using your email client or cancel the file share.
6. Click **Done** to finish.

**File Upload Confirmation**

File uploaded completed on 7/10/2013 05:51 PM. **1**

If you have selected to automatically send the download link, in the file upload settings, **no further action is required**. Your email has been sent to the recipient(s) with the link to access the files. **2**

This URL will provide access to download your files:  
<http://127.0.0.1/?ShareToken=B02B6777B01390A268E6C3914FD76CA43240535C> **3**

The following file was successfully uploaded:

1	ipmon.png <b>4</b>	18.99 KB
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**Optional Next Steps:**

- Manually send the URL by **copying and pasting the URL** into an email to send to your recipient(s)
- **Generate an email** from your email client (*opens a new email window in your email application like Microsoft Outlook*)
- Select **Cancel File Share** to delete this file share and return to the Home screen **5**

**Please note:**

- The File Share is **NOT** password protected

**6**  
Done

## Receive Files from a Guest

The Request Files Wizard allows you to receive a file from someone by sending a link to a page, where she or he can easily upload to it.

The user will receive a link, via email, that grants them access to upload files. For added security, there are options to set the page link expiration and add file constraints and restrictions.

### To send a request:

1. Enter the users email address.
2. Enter a subject title.
3. Enter any additional comments.
4. Enter your contact information.
5. Set an expiration date for when the link to upload files will expire. 90 days is the maximum time for link availability.
6. You can be notified when the files have been uploaded and sent a copy of upload link email, set file size limits, and require a password protection.

**Optional steps include:** Copying the URL into an email or have an email automatically sent from your mail client.

## Request Files From Guest User

Invite a guest user to temporarily access Serv-U File Share to upload files. The user will receive a link, via email, that grants them access to upload files. For added security, there are options to set the page link expiration and add file constraints and restrictions.

<p><b>Email Information</b></p> <p>Guest Email Address(es) <b>1</b></p> <p>Email Subject</p> <p>Serv-U File Share Link [expires 7/3/2013 12:00 AM] <b>2</b></p> <p>Comments (optional)</p> <p><b>3</b></p> <p><b>My Contact Information</b> <b>4</b></p> <p>Name</p> <p>Email Address</p> <p>Confirm Email Address</p>	<p><b>Serv-U Access Link Expiration</b></p> <p>The link to upload files should expire:</p> <p>on this specific date <b>5</b> 07/03/2013</p> <p>in 24 hours</p> <p>in 30 days</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Expiration dates help keep your files more secure by limiting access.</p> <p><b>Other Settings</b> (optional) <b>6</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notify me when the file(s) have been uploaded</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automatically send the upload link to the guest user(s) in an email</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Send me an email copy with the upload link</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Constrain individual file sizes to: 10 MB</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Require the guest to enter this password to access Serv-U. (To generate a password, click on the key button)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Include the password in the email (less secure)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Your passwords are not recoverable. In the case of a lost password, the invitation would need to be resent with a new password.</p>
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## Serv-U Web Client

The Web Client interface allows users to log into the file server and access all of their files online without needing to use an external FTP client.

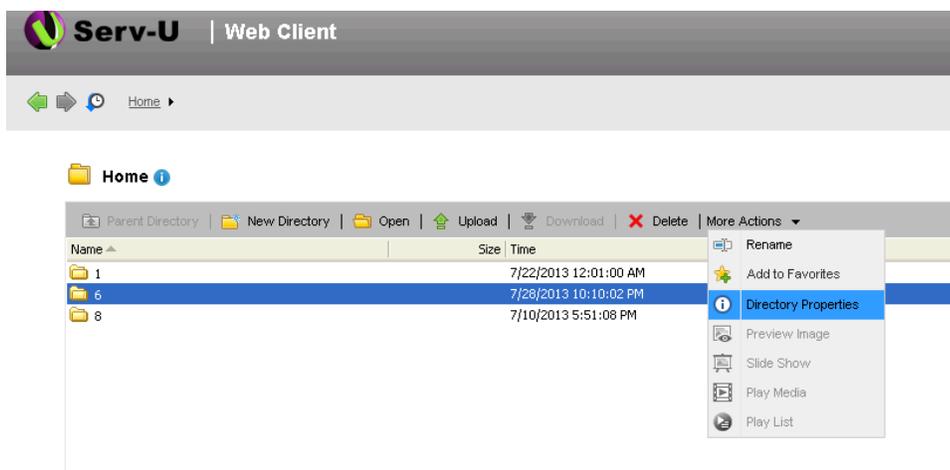
The Web Client interface is presented as a standard web page containing a list of the files and directories available from the current remote path and clickable links that perform various file transfer related actions. All available functionality of the Web Client is available from this single page to keep interactions quick and easy to perform. The Web Client is can be accessed from mobile devices and is optimized for use in a variety of display resolutions.

### Logging Into the Web Client

To log into the Web Client, Serv-U must first be configured to listen for HTTP/HTTPS requests. Once configured, enter the IP address or the domain name assigned to Serv-U into a browser window and you will be presented with a login screen. Your normal FTP username and password will be accepted here.

Once logged in, users will be able to view all the files and folders they can normally see, and will be able to perform any action that they could via FTP, including uploading, downloading, and to drag/drop files, play media, or render slideshows and thumbnails of images.

The Web Client has a new interface as seen below:



## Using The Web Client

The majority of the Web Client's view is dedicated towards displaying the contents of the current directory being browsed on the server. This directory listing shows all the files and folders contained in the current directory. Depending on the access rights granted to your user account by the administrator, various actions can be performed on the files and folders in this listing.

### Upload:

If your user account has permission to upload new files, you may upload a single file at a time to the server using this button. Clicking the **Upload** button opens a new window from which you can **Browse** your system for the file you want to upload. Once you've selected the appropriate file, click **Upload** to begin the transfer.

When the upload has started, a progress dialog is displayed that is regularly updated with live information, including the current transfer rate, how much data has been sent, how much data remains to be sent, and the estimated time until completion of the transfer. While a file is being uploaded, no other action can be taken including changing the current directory or transferring another file. The upload can be terminated at any time by clicking the **Cancel** button. Cancelled file transfers cannot be resumed and must be started over.

After the upload has completed, the progress dialog disappears and the directory listing is refreshed to show the new file.

### Download:

To begin a file download, simply select the desired file and click **Download**. This option is also available by right-clicking on the desired file. The browser prompts you for a location on your system to save the file. Some browsers may also offer the option to open the file instead of saving it to a permanent location. While a file is being downloaded, the Web Client is free to perform other actions.

### Rename:

To rename a file, select the file you want to rename in the directory listing and click this option available under "More Actions". This option is also available by right-clicking on the desired file. The current name is displayed in a new dialog. Change this name to the desired new name and click **OK**. If your user account does not have the ability to rename files or there is a conflict with the new file name, an error message is displayed.

### Delete:

A file can be deleted by selecting the desired file from the listing and clicking **Delete**. This option is also available by right-clicking on the desired file. If your user account does not have the ability to delete files, an error message is displayed.

**Note:** Files are permanently deleted on the server. This action cannot be undone.

## ***Common Administrator Tasks***

The following section covers some common issues that administrators may encounter. Select from the FAQs below:

[How do I enable file sharing?](#)

[How do I point Serv-U to my existing email server to send notifications?](#)

[How do I configure Serv-U so that all my existing end users on AD can start sharing files immediately?](#)

[How do I apply an SSL certificate so that all transfers use HTTPS?](#)

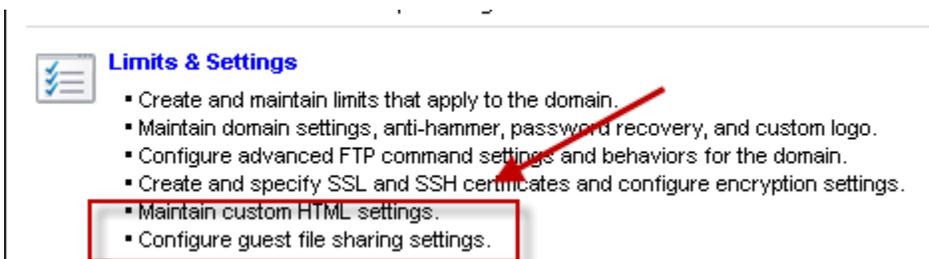
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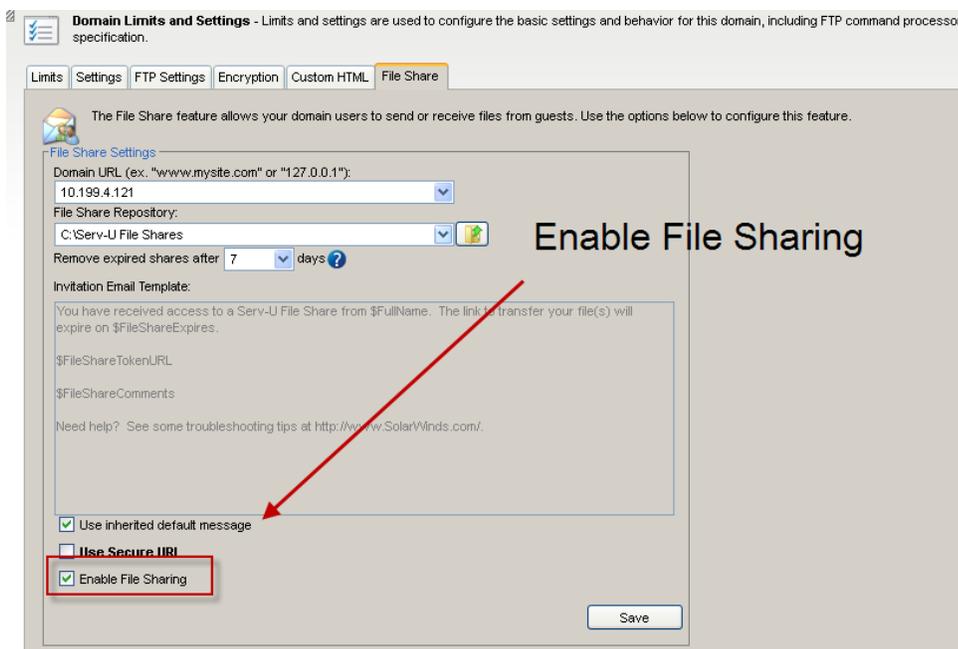
### **How do I enable file sharing?**

Navigate to the **Management Console > Domain ( or Server) Limits & Settings > Configure Guest File Sharing >** and then check the **Enable File Sharing** box to enable the feature.



## From the File Sharing tab:

Check the Enable File Sharing box.



## How do I configure Serv-U so that all my existing end users on AD can start sharing files immediately?

Serv-U MFT Server Edition includes support for authentication against Windows Active Directory as well as Windows users in the local Security Accounts Manager (SAM).

### Windows Authentication Prerequisites

Before proceeding with Active Directory configuration in Serv-U, ensure the following requirements have been fulfilled:

- Serv-U must be installed on a member server of the target Active Directory Domain
- Serv-U must not be firewalled from the Domain Controller, or located in a DMZ
- If user Home Directories are located on a network location like a Distributed File Service (DFS) share, a NAS, or other network device, the Serv-U File Server service in the Windows Services menu should run under a network administrative account

### **Enabling Windows Authentication:**

1. Open the Serv-U Management Console
2. Click on the Users | Windows Authentication Settings menu
3. Enable Windows Authentication by placing a check mark next to "Enable Windows authentication"
4. Enter the name of your Windows domain (the Fully Qualified Domain Name) and select "Save"

5. Click "Configure Windows User Group" to configure your Windows users Serv-U Windows Auth Config



**Note:** By default, when users log in to Serv-U, they are logged into their Home Folder as defined in Active Directory and have all applicable NTFS permissions applied to their FTP account. This way, no permissions or settings are required in Serv-U.

Further permissions can be manually configured and overridden in the Windows User Group configuration page. For further information see [this article](#).

### **Manually Managing Home Directories**

Serv-U allows AD users to be automatically assigned individual Home Directories based on the %USER% variable, which automatically generates home directories based on the User Principle Name of the user, for example: user1@mydomain.com).

**To dynamically assign the Home Directory**, open the "Windows User Group Configuration" menu and set the Home Directory to a path such as:

*D:\ftproot%\%USER%*

-or-

*\\fileshare\userfiles%\%USER%*

This ensures that all user Home Directories are located under one parent folder and are maintained and easier to manage.

### **Troubleshooting Windows Active Directory Setup**

As a general guideline, it is best to troubleshoot Active Directory login problems using the FTP or FTPS protocol, because these protocols provide more troubleshooting information. Common problems that can occur include:

**"Home Directory Not Found"** - A "Home Directory Not Found" error indicates that the user account in Active Directory does not have a "Home Folder" set for their user account.

This value is set in Active Directory, not in Serv-U, and must be set before the user account will function. The folder is set in "Active Directory Users & Computers" in user properties, under the "Profile" tab, in the "Connect" option.

**"Permission Denied"** - Permission denied errors can occur for Windows users who have their Home Folders located on a network drive.

This must be resolved by configuring the "Serv-U File Server" service to run under a Domain Admin account, and by making sure the permissions on the network path are correct. In addition, the Serv-U service must have at a minimum the "List Folder / Read Data" and "Read Attributes" permissions on the parent folder of any folder used by an Active Directory user. These permissions are typically granted by default.

### **Allowing Logon's From Multiple Active Directory Domains**

If users from multiple domains within the same Active Directory forest must be able to authenticate to the same Serv-U server, the following must be true:

- The "Windows Domain Name (Optional)" field in the Users | Windows Authentication menu must be left blank
- There must be trust between the domain of which the Serv-U server is a member and all other domains which Serv-U must be able to authenticate to
- Users must log in using their User Principle Name (e.g., user@domain.com) instead of just their SAM account name (in the previous case, just "user")

**Note:** Windows User NT-SAM / Active Directory support is available in Serv-U MFT Server only.

### **I want to apply an SSL certificate so that all transfers use HTTPS.**

Setting up Serv-U to allow for SSL-encrypted connections is very easy. Serv-U supports self-signed certificates created directly, or third party certificates from Certificate Authorities such as Verisign, Thawte, Geotrust and [RapidSSL](#). Using SSL, Serv-U supports FTPS (FTP secured over SSL) in Serv-U FTP Server and Serv-U MFT Server, and HTTPS (HTTP secured over SSL) in Serv-U MFT Server only.

### **Configuring Serv-U for FTPS and HTTPS**

Navigate to the Domain Details | Listeners menu and ensure that an FTPS or HTTPS listener is entered. If it is not, click on "Add" and add the appropriate listener

- Navigate to Limits & Settings | Create and specify SSL and SSH.
- Specify the details requested in the "SSL Certificate" menu
- The "Certificate Path" is the path to your .crt certificate file
- The "Private Key Path" is the path to your .key private key file
- The "Password" is the password you selected to protect your private key
- If you have Serv-U MFT Server the "CA (Certificate Authority) Certificate Path" allows you to specify a .pem file for the Intermediate Certificate if required by your CA.

- Click Save, and make sure your FTPS and/or HTTPS listener(s) are configured
- **Note:** If you have received a signed certificate from a verified certificate authority, instead of creating a certificate you can specify the .crt certificate file path and the .key private key file path by using the "Browse" buttons on this page.
- **Note:** If your FTP Client can connect with a regular session, but not with SSL enabled then we would recommend checking if there are any NAT enabled device between the FTP Client and Serv-U. The NAT translation is not able to understand the encrypted data being sent between the client and server and thus corrupts the data connection. Currently the only work around is to disable the NAT functionality or move Serv-U or the FTP Client in front of the NAT enabled device.

### **I want to point Serv-U to my existing email server to send notifications**

SMTP can be configured on the server and/or the domain level. SMTP configuration at the domain level may be inherited from the server level. The SMTP configuration dialog is located on the **Domain Details** and **Server Details** pages. Under the **Events** tab, click **Configure SMTP**.

You will need to enter the following information:

### **SMTP Server Information**

- SMTP Server - the name or IP address of the SMTP server
- SMTP Server Port - the port the SMTP server is using
- From Email Address - the email address to use for the outgoing email
- From Name (optional) - the name to use for the outgoing email
- My server requires authentication - to enable authentication check this box
- This server requires a secure connection (SSL) - Some SMTP servers require that all incoming connections be encrypted to protect against possible attacks. If your server requires incoming SMTP connections to be encrypted, enable this option. The default port for encrypted SMTP connections is 465. Serv-U supports Implicit SSL only, and does not support Explicit SSL (port 587)

### Authentication Information

If your SMTP server requires authentication you must enter the following information:

- Account Name - the account name associated with authentication for the SMTP server.
- Password - the password for the account

### **I want to point Serv-U to an existing Windows share so I don't have to keep file shares on the local hard drive.**

By default, both the Serv-U services run as the built-in "LocalSystem" Windows account. Running as LocalSystem is normal for an installed service, but running as LocalSystem usually prevents the related service from accessing network shares.

The following instructions describe how to switch these services from LocalSystem to another Windows user so Serv-U can access remote shares.

### When Required

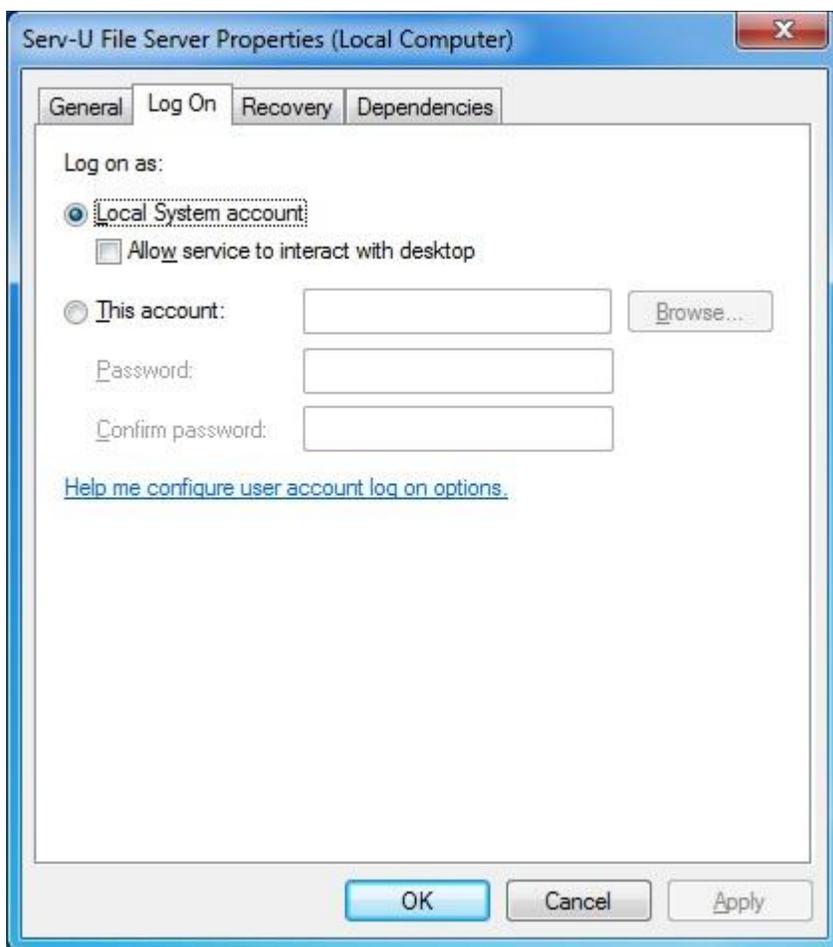
- **Clustered "web farm" deployments of Serv-U**, in which multiple Serv-U nodes access the same remote share, typically require these instructions.
- Any **Serv-U deployment that accesses remote Windows shares**, NAS, SAMBA shares, or mapped drives requires these instructions.
- FTP Voyager installations that use the **FTP Voyager Scheduler service to access remote shares** require these instructions. However, if FTP Voyager will only be used to access remote shares through its "side by side" interactive mode, these instructions are not required.

#### **How to Modify the "Run As" Service Account (Recommended)**

The best option is to configure Serv-U/FTP Voyager Scheduler to run under a user account that has network privileges to the UNC path. In an Active Directory environment, this user may be a member of the Domain Admins group. In a Windows Workgroup, this will be a user who exists on both the local machine and the remote network resource, with the same user name and password on both machines.

To change the user account under which a service runs, follow the steps below:

- Navigate to the "Control Panel | Administrative Tools | Services" menu
- Right click either the Serv-U File Server or FTP Voyager Scheduler and choose "Properties"
- Open the "Log on" tab
- Select the "This account" radio button
- Use the "Browse" option select the correct user account in your domain. In Windows Active Directory, the user account will be in the form of username@domainname.ext, and in a workgroup this will be in the form of SERVERNAME\username



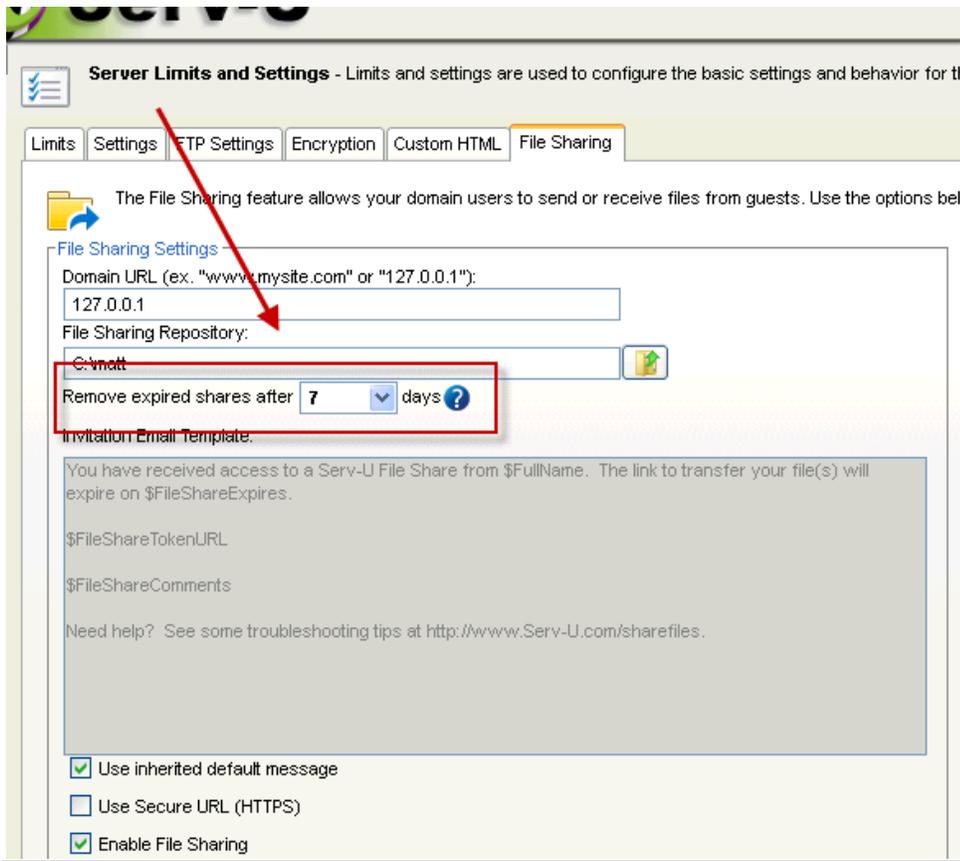
- Once the correct user is displayed, click "OK" to save the settings
- If running in a workgroup, again ensure that the same account exists remotely on the network server
- Restart the service by right clicking on it in the Services window and selecting "Restart"

If you encounter an error when starting the service, most likely you are encountering a user account issue, which will need to be diagnosed within the properties of the Serv-U File Server / FTP Voyager Scheduler service. The best way to avoid this is to use the Check Name option to make sure that your entry is correct.

**Note:** Windows System Services cannot recognize mapped network drives by letter. Any network location specified must be placed in UNC format (\\server\share).

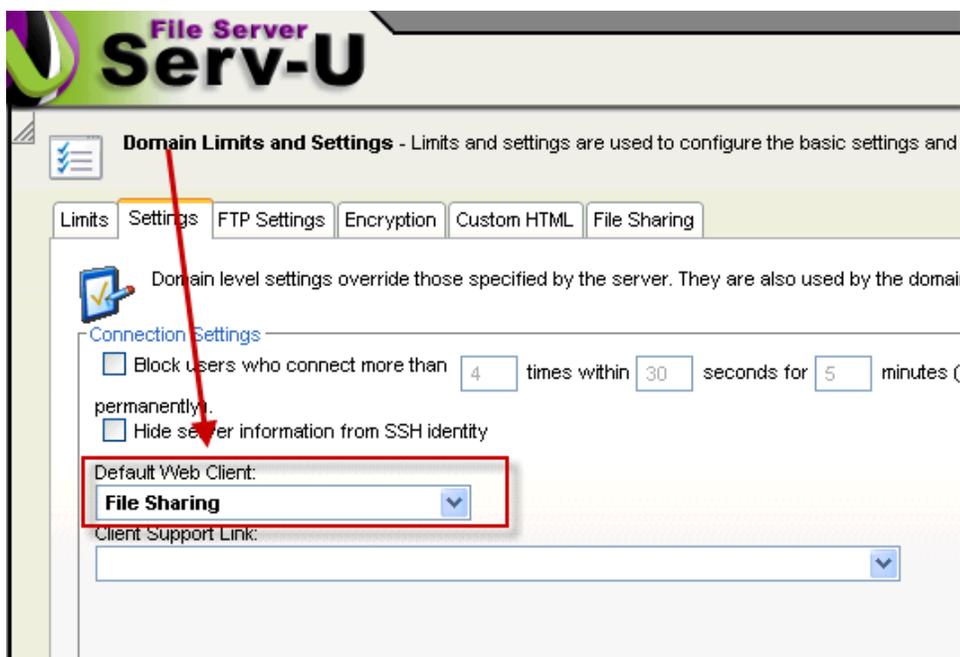
### **I want to make sure nothing is kept on the server longer than X days**

In the Admin. Console under **Server Limits and Settings > File Sharing** you can define how many days to keep files on the server.



**I want to make File Sharing the default interface my end users see.**

From the **Limits and Settings > Settings** tab you can set the default Web Client. You will also need to disable FTP to make end users only see File Sharing.



## Serv-U Gateway

Serv-U Gateway is an optional reverse-proxy component that safely terminates file transfer connections in the DMZ to avoid inbound connections or storing data in the DMZ. For more information see [this page](#) and the [Distributed Architecture Guide](#).

## Firewall Guide

Serv-U configuration supports FTP, FTPS, (SSL/TLS)> SFTP (SSH), HTTP and HTTPS connection from the internet directly into Serv-U. For more information see this [Serv-U Firewall Guide](#).

## The Serv-U Management Console

The Serv-U Management Console is designed to provide quick and easy access to the File Server's configuration options in a familiar way. When viewing a configuration page, you can return to the main Management Console page at any time by clicking on the Serv-U File Server logo in the top-left corner.

### Management Console Layout

The Management Console is presented in the familiar control panel style layout and arranged in to categories of related options. Clicking a category header, such as "Users", displays the user account management screen. From this screen, each of the sub-category configuration options is available. A sub-category can also be selected to go directly to that sub-category's configuration page.

For Server Administrators, the Management Console is displayed in two columns. The right column displays categories related to configuring server-wide options and settings. The left column displays categories related to configuring the active domain. To change the active domain, click the Manage Domain button in the top-left corner of the Management Console and select a different domain to administer. Alternatively, the Change Domain button is available in bottom-right corner of the footer. This method of changing the active domain can be employed from any Management Console page.

Domain Administrators only have access to configuring settings and options for their applicable domain and do not have access to the server-level categories displayed to System Administrators.

### **Navigation Menu**

The Navigation menu is located in the lower-left corner of the screen and provides direct links to all of the Serv-U configuration categories. It is context sensitive and displays the relevant categories for the selection being configured (Domain or Server) as well as an expandable list of configuration options for the currently selected category.

### **Tabbed Configuration Pages**

When opening a category from the Management Console, all related sub-category pages are displayed in tabs on the same screen. This allows for quick navigation between related configuration options.

### **Launching the Web Client**

While configuring the Serv-U File Server, an HTTP session can be launched by clicking the appropriate launch button in the toolbar at the bottom of the page. If licensed for use, the Web Client is available and runs from within the browser. If licensed for use, FTP Voyager JV can also be launched using the Java Runtime Environment, by clicking on the FTP Voyager JV button.

### **Changing Themes in Serv-U**

The "Theme" button, used to launch the theme menu, is located in the lower-right corner of the screen. The menu lists the available themes available to change the look and feel of Serv-U. Simply select a theme from the drop down combo box then click the "OK" button. The theme will be loaded without needing to refresh the page.

## ***Serv-U Network Configuration Primer***

Under ideal circumstances, services and applications like the Serv-U File Server are installed on dedicated servers in a DMZ with their own dedicated IP address. However, with security concerns, existing network configurations and a shortage of available IPv4 addresses many times Serv-U must be installed on a server behind a firewall or router and use "Port Forwarding" to handle FTP traffic. This allows networks with limited public IP addresses to host many services without needing to pay extra for additional public IP addresses or costly and unnecessary network hardware. It is also optimal when integrating with Windows Active Directory, since AD integration requires that the server be a member of Active Directory.

To configure Serv-U to work with your router or firewall, you must first configure the router (and/or firewall) to forward your desired file transfer ports to the internal IP address of your server. While FTP is the most common one used, other protocols are also available in Serv-U. These protocols and their ports are typically:

- FTP - FTP port 21 and PASV port range 50000-50009
- FTPS (Implicit) - FTP port 990 and PASV port range 50000-50009
- SFTP - Port 22
- HTTP - Port 80
- HTTPS - Port 443

IP Address	Port	Type
<< All Available IPv4 Addresses >>	21	FTP and explicit SSL/TLS
<< All Available IPv4 Addresses >>	990	Implicit FTPS (SSL/TLS)
<< All Available IPv4 Addresses >>	80	HTTP
<< All Available IPv4 Addresses >>	443	HTTPS (SSL encrypted HTTP)
<< All Available IPv4 Addresses >>	22	SFTP using SSH

This allows the file transfer traffic to be routed through the router and directly to Serv-U. Routers typically call this option "Port Forwarding" and it is usually found in the "Advanced" options of most residential and simpler commercial routers. When you configure port forwarding, be sure to configure the "PASV Port Range" in the "Server Limits & Settings | Settings" menu to 50000-50009 as well.

Network Settings

Auto-configure firewall through UPnP

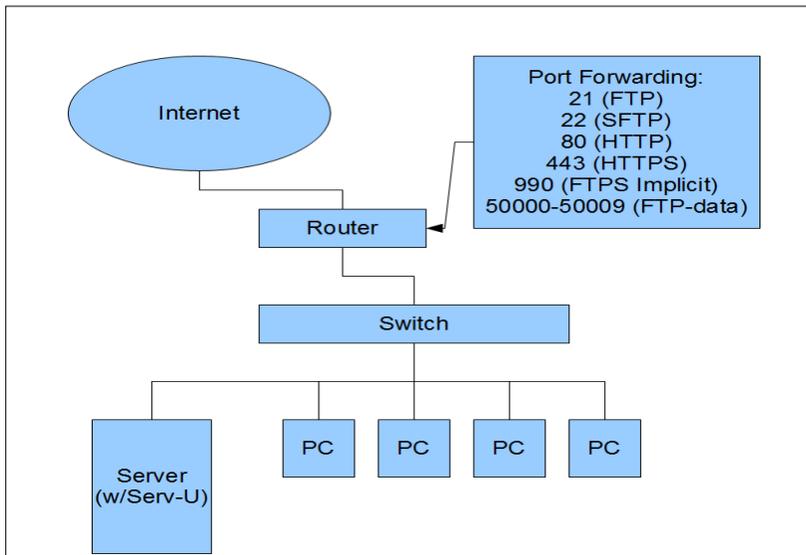
Packet time-out:  
300 seconds

PASV Port Range:  
50000 - 50009

Save

To make this process even simpler, Serv-U includes support for a protocol known as "Universal Plug and Play". This allows Serv-U to automatically configure the router or firewall with your settings, eliminating the need to configure any settings yourself. However, in most cases it is better to manually configure the router.

Below is a diagram of Serv-U in a typical small/medium office network.



### PASV IP Address

Each "FTP and Explicit SSL/TLS" and "FTPS Implicit" Listener includes a configuration option called "PASV IP Address or Domain Name". This option exists because the FTP and FTPS protocols use two different connections in order to communicate. The first connection is the most well-known, and occurs on port 21 – this is called the Control Channel, and is used for the server and client to communicate about what data will be transferred, what user is logging on, and more. The lesser-known connection is the Data Channel, a second connection on which directory listings and files are transferred. Most clients use Data Channel connections in "PASV mode", which takes place on the port range of 50000-50009.

As part of the communication process, Serv-U must be able to tell clients how to connect to the server, including what port number and IP address to use. Since this may be different than the IP address used to establish the initial FTP connection, it is communicated in a special “227” message sent by Serv-U to the client. The IP address that is sent is normally the private IP address of the server, because the server does not know the router’s IP address. The router then automatically adjusts the 227 message and adds the correct IP address.

The problem occurs when either the router does not perform this task or the client connects using an encrypted connection, which makes it impossible for the router to read the FTP session and perform this task. In this case, Serv-U relies on the administrator to tell it what information it needs to send to the client. To provide this information, the “PASV IP Address” field in the “Domain Details | Listeners” FTP entries should be updated with the public IP address of the server, or the domain name of the server. In most cases, the domain name is actually preferable because this way if the IP address changes, the domain name will be updated and therefore Serv-U will be updated without any intervention. For users with dynamic IP addresses who are using dynamic DNS service, this is doubly helpful.

### Domain Name & Description

Settings Listeners Virtual Hosts IP Access Database Events

Make changes to the domain name and description, press the Save button to save the changes.

**Domain Information**

Name: RhinoSoft.com

Description:

Enable domain

Save

**Domain Home Directory**

Domain Home Directory:

Maximum Size: MB (blank for no limit)

NOTE: Setting a maximum domain home directory size forces Serv-U to check the existing files and sub folders prior to and during uploads. This can be a very lengthy operation depending on the existing directory structure.

Save

Each Domain must be uniquely identified with a Domain Name. If a name is provided that is not unique, an error message is shown indicating that a unique name is required for each Domain. The Domain Name is used purely for administrative purposes and is not visible or accessible to Users.

In addition, each Domain can have additional descriptive information associated with it through the Description. Like the Domain Name, the Description text is also only available to users with administrative access. This field is useful for describing the purpose of the domain or summarizing the resources made available by the Domain's existence on the File Server.

Domains can be temporarily disabled by unchecking the Enable domain checkbox. While disabled, the Domain is completely inaccessible to all Users. The Domain still exists on the File Server, all settings are preserved, and it can still be administered while it is disabled. To make the Domain accessible to Users again, check the Enable domain checkbox.

After making changes to any of the above Domain settings, click the Save button to apply the changes.

### Domain Home Directory

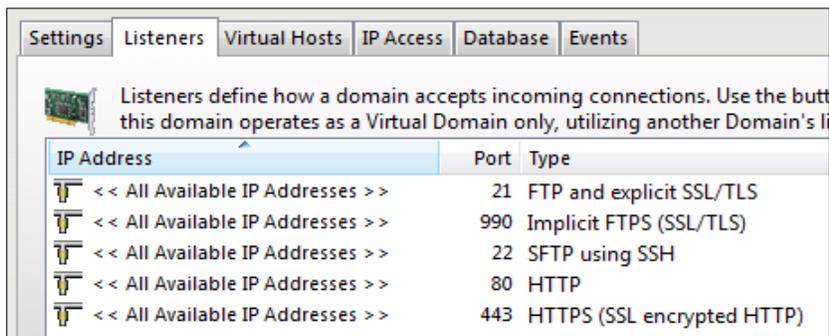
System Administrators can limit the disk space available to a Domain by configuring a home directory for the Domain and specifying a maximum size. The Domain's home directory does not affect User directory access rules, nor does it restrict the paths that are available to a User in any way. However, in order to calculate the amount of disk space in use by a Domain, Serv-U must know the root directory under which it expects all Domain files to be stored.

To specify the Domain home directory, enter a path in the field labeled Domain Home Directory. The Browse button can also be used to select a path. When creating a Domain Administrator account for this Domain, it is suggested that their home directory be the same, which ensures that all Users of the Domain are placed in a subdirectory of the Domain's home directory. Enter the amount of disk space, in megabytes (MB), available to the Domain in the Maximum Size field. Leaving this field blank or entering "0" does not impose a maximum size on the Domain. When a limit is imposed, any upload that would cause this maximum size to be exceeded is rejected by the Server. Click the Save button to apply these changes.

NOTE: Calculating the amount of disk space in use by a Domain can be a time consuming operation depending on the directory structure.

## Domain Listeners

The Serv-U File Server offers a highly configurable interface for enabling the different file sharing protocols on a Domain. Listeners are added, edited, and deleted using the appropriately labeled button. Each Domain can listen on multiple ports and IP addresses by adding a listener bound to the desired IP address and port. In addition to selecting these connection attributes for a listener, a file sharing protocol must also be selected. A listing and short description of the file sharing protocols supported by the Serv-U File Server follows.



IP Address	Port	Type
<< All Available IP Addresses >>	21	FTP and explicit SSL/TLS
<< All Available IP Addresses >>	990	Implicit FTPS (SSL/TLS)
<< All Available IP Addresses >>	22	SFTP using SSH
<< All Available IP Addresses >>	80	HTTP
<< All Available IP Addresses >>	443	HTTPS (SSL encrypted HTTP)

### **FTP - File Transfer Protocol**

FTP is the traditional protocol for transferring files over the Internet. It normally operates on the default port 21. Traditionally, FTP is handled in plain-text; however SSL connections are explicitly supported through the use of the AUTH command.

### **FTPS - File Transfer Protocol Using SSL**

FTPS is identical to FTP, however connecting to a listener configured for FTPS means that an SSL connection is required before any protocol communication is performed. This is commonly referred to as Implicit FTPS, which normally takes place on the default port 990.

### **SFTP - Secure File Transfer Using SSH2**

SFTP is a secure method of transferring files through a secure shell session. It performs all protocol communications and data transfers over the same port eliminating the need to open multiple ports in firewalls as is commonly required when using FTP. SFTP sessions are always encrypted. SFTP operates on the default port 22.

### **HTTP - Hypertext Transfer Protocol**

HTTP is the protocol used to browse Web sites. It's also a simple method for downloading and transferring files. One benefit to adding an HTTP listener to a Domain is the availability of the Web Client, which allows users to transfer files to and from your File Server without the need for a stand-alone client. HTTP traditionally operates on port 80.

## **HTTPS - Hypertext Transfer Protocol using SSL**

HTTPS is identical to HTTP except all communications are secured using SSL. Like FTPS, a secure connection is implied when connecting to a listener running the HTTPS protocol. The default port for HTTPS is 443.

### **Adding a Listener**

After clicking the Add button, the listener configuration dialog is shown. After configuring each of the listener options, click the Save button to add the listener to the Domain.

### **Type**

Select the desired file sharing protocol that is to be supported by this listener. Each listener can only support a single protocol. To add more file sharing protocols to the Domain, create new listeners for each protocol. A brief description of the support file sharing protocols is found above.

### **IP Address**

A listener can be bound to a single IP address by entering it here. If the File Server does not have an external IP address, (e.g., it's behind a router), this field can be left blank. Leaving the field blank tells Serv-U to listen on all available IP addresses.

### **PASV IP Address or Domain Name (FTP ONLY)**

If the listener is supporting the FTP protocol, this additional field is available to specify a separate IP address to use for PASV mode data transfers. Entering an IP address here ensures that PASV mode works properly on both unsecured and secured connections. If the File Server does not have an external IP address, try using a dynamic DNS service and entering your dynamic DNS domain name in this field. Serv-U resolves your dynamic DNS domain name to ensure it always has the proper external IP address for PASV command responses.

### **Use only with SSL connections**

This option allows the PASV IP Address or domain name to only be used for SSL connections where it is always necessary to provide the PASV IP Address to connecting clients. When this option is enabled, the IP Address specified for PASV mode will not be provided to clients connecting via non-SSL FTP.

### **Use with LAN connections**

Normally, Serv-U does not use the PASV IP Address for connections coming from the Local Area Network (computers on the same network as Serv-U). When this option is enabled, the PASV IP Address is also used for LAN connections.

### **Port**

The default port for the selected protocol is automatically provided. However, any port between 1 and 65535 can be used. When using a non-standard port, clients must know the proper port in advance when attempting to connect to the Domain. If using a non-standard port, we recommend using a value above 1024 to prevent potential conflicts.

### **Enable listener**

Unchecking this box temporarily disables a listener. While disabled, listeners are displayed with a different icon in the list.

### **Pure Virtual Domains**

Serv-U supports the ability for multiple Domains to "share" the same listeners. In other words, one Domain can possess the necessary listener configurations while the other Domain "piggybacks" on the first one. In this way, the second Domain exists in a virtual way. To have a Domain "piggyback" on the listener configurations of existing Domains, leave the listener list blank for the Domain. The "piggybacking" Domain needs to have at least one Virtual Host defined for it.

This method of "piggybacking" only works with the FTP and HTTP protocols as they are the only two file sharing protocols that specify a method for identifying the desired host after a connection is established. For FTP connections, the client must issue a HOST command to identify the desired domain. For HTTP connections, the browser automatically handles providing the necessary host header to Serv-U based upon the domain name used to establish the HTTP connection.

**User Properties - RhinoSoft Support (RhinoSoft)**

User account information specifies the login credentials and privileges granted to this account.

**Login ID:** RhinoSoft  
**Full Name:** RhinoSoft Support  
**Password:** << Encrypted >>  
**Home Directory:** D:\ftproof\rhinosoft  
**Administration Privilege:** No Privilege  
**SSH Public Key Path:**  
 Create Key Pair...  
**Account Type:** Permanent  
**Default Web Client:** Prompt user for client  
**Email Address:** administrator@rhinosoft.com  
 Enable account  
**Description:**  
 Availability...  
 Welcome Message...

Save Cancel Help

## User Information

A User account consists of many attributes and settings. The User Information tab contains general information about the User account including login credentials, the home directory, and the type of account. Detailed information on each of the available attributes is found below.

### Login ID

The login ID is provided by the client as one part of authenticating the session to the File Server. In addition to the login ID, clients must provide a password to complete authentication. Login IDs must be unique for each account specified at that level. Login IDs may not contain any of the following special characters: \ / < > | : ? \*.

NOTE: There are two special login IDs: "Anonymous" and "FTP". These login IDs are synonymous with one another and can be used for guests on your File Server. These users do not require a password, which should be left blank in this case. Instead, Serv-U requires users who log on with one of these accounts to provide their email address to complete the login process.

### **Full Name**

The full name of the account is available to specify additional identifying information about the account. It is not used by clients when they log in.

### **Password**

The password is the second item required for a session to be authenticated with the File Server. The password should be kept a secret and not shared with anyone other than the person that owns the account. A strong password contains at least 6 characters including a mix of upper and lowercase letters and at least one number. Restrictions can be placed on the length and complexity of passwords through limits. See the Help documentation on Password Limits for more information.

Additionally, the "Lock" icon next to the "Password" field allows a new random password to be generated for a user. This new password will follow defined password length requirements. By default, all passwords are 8 characters long and are complex. If the "Minimum Password Length" is equal to or less than four characters, the password will be four characters long - otherwise, generated passwords will follow the specified domain value.

### **Administration Privilege**

A User account can be granted one of three types of administrative privileges: No Privilege, System Administrator, or Domain Administrator. The value of this attribute can be inherited through Group membership.

A User account with No Privilege is a regular user account that can only log in to transfer files to and from the File Server. The Serv-U Management Console is not available to these User accounts.

A System Administrator has the ability to perform any File Server administration activity including creating and deleting Domains, User accounts, or even updating the File Server's license. A User account with System Administrator privileges that is logged in through HTTP remote administration can essentially administer the server as they had physical access to the machine.

A Domain Administrator can only perform administrative duties for the Domain to which their account belongs. A Domain Administrator is also restricted from performing Domain-related activities that may affect other Domains. The Domain-related activities that may not be performed by Domain Administrators consists of configuring their Domain listeners or configuring ODBC database access for the Domain.

A Group Administrator can only add, edit, and remove users who are members of the first Group that the Group Administrator is a member of. This allows the Group Administrator to modify users who are in the same scope – for example, a Group Administrator of the "Accounting" group can add/remove/edit users who are in the Accounting group but is not able to grant permissions to files outside of the Accounting group, and cannot edit or access users outside of that Group. Group Administration is designed to be used by department leads and junior administrators with the need to modify certain user accounts, without making changes to the Domain or Server.

Serv-U also supports read-only administrator accounts which can allow administrators to log in and view configuration options at the domain or server level, greatly aiding remote problem diagnosis when working with outside parties. Read-only administrator privileges are identical to their full-access equivalents, except that they cannot change any settings or create/delete/edit user accounts.

NOTE: When configuring a User account with administrative privileges, take care in specifying their home directory. An administrator with a home directory other than "\" (root) that is locked in their home directory may not use file paths outside of their home directory when configuring the File Server.

### **Home Directory**

The home directory for a User account is where the User is placed immediately after logging in to the File Server. Each User must have a home directory assigned to it, although it can be specified at the Group level if the User is a member of a Group. Home directories must be specified using a full path including the drive letter or UNC share name. If the home directory is not found, Serv-U can be configured to create it.

When specifying the home directory, the %USER% macro can be used to insert the login ID in to the path. This is used mostly to configure a default home directory at the Group level or within the new User template to ensure that all new Users have a unique home directory. When combined with a Directory Access Rule for %HOME%, a new User can be configured with a unique home directory and the proper access rights to that location with a minimal amount of effort.

The %DOMAIN\_HOME% macro may also be used to identify the user's home directory. For example, to place a user's home directory into a common location use %DOMAIN\_HOME%%USER%.

The home directory can be specified as "\" (root) in order to grant system-level access to a User, allowing them the ability to access all system drives. In order for this to work properly, the User must not be locked in their home directory.

### **SSH Public Key Path**

The SSH public key can be used to authenticate a user when logging into the Serv-U File Server. The public key path should point to the key file in a secured directory on the server. This path can include the following macros:

%HOME% - The Home Directory of the user account

%USER% - The Login ID, used if the public key will have the Login ID as part of the file name

%DOMAIN\_HOME% - The Home Directory the Domain, set in Domain Details | Settings, used if the keys will be in a central folder relative to the domain Home Directory

Examples:

%HOME%\SSHpublic.pub

%HOME%\%USER%.pub

%DOMAIN\_HOME%\SSHKeys\%USER%.pub

[Click here for information on creating a SSH key pair.](#)

### **Account Type**

By default, all accounts are permanent and exist on the File Server until manually deleted or disabled. An account can be configured to be automatically disabled or even deleted on a specified date by configuring the Account Type. After selecting the appropriate type, the Account Expiration Date control appears. Click on the calendar or expiration date to select when the account should be disabled or deleted.

### **Default Web Client**

If your Serv-U license enables the use of FTP Voyager JV, then users connecting to the File Server through HTTP can choose which client they want to use after logging in. Instead of asking users which client they want to use, a default client can also be specified. If this option is changed, it overrides the option specified at the Server or Domain level. It can also be inherited by a User through Group membership. Use the Inherit default value option to reset it to the appropriate default value.

### **Email Address**

Serv-U Events can use the "Email Address" field when sending email notifications to groups, and password recovery using the Web Client requires an email address to send a recovered password to a user. Enter an email address here to allow email notifications or password recovery for the user account.

### **Lock user in home directory**

A user that is locked in their home directory may not access paths above their home directory. In addition, the actual physical location of their home directory is masked as Serv-U always reports it as "/" (root). The value of this attribute can be inherited through Group membership.

### **Enable account**

Uncheck this box to disable the current account. Disabled accounts remain on the File Server but cannot be used to log in. To re-enable the account, check the Enable account box again.

### **Always Allow Login**

Enabling this option means that the User account is always permitted to log in, regardless of restrictions placed upon the File Server such as IP access rules or a maximum number of sessions. It is useful as a fail-safe in order to ensure that critical system administrator accounts can always remotely access the File Server under all conditions. As with any option that allows bypassing access rules, care should be taken in granting this ability. The value of this attribute can be inherited through Group membership.

### **Description**

The description allows for the entry of additional notes that are only visible by administrators.

### **Availability**

This feature limits when users can connect to this server. Limitations may be placed on the time-of-day as well as the day-of-the-week. When logging in outside the specified available times users are presented a message that the user account is currently unavailable.

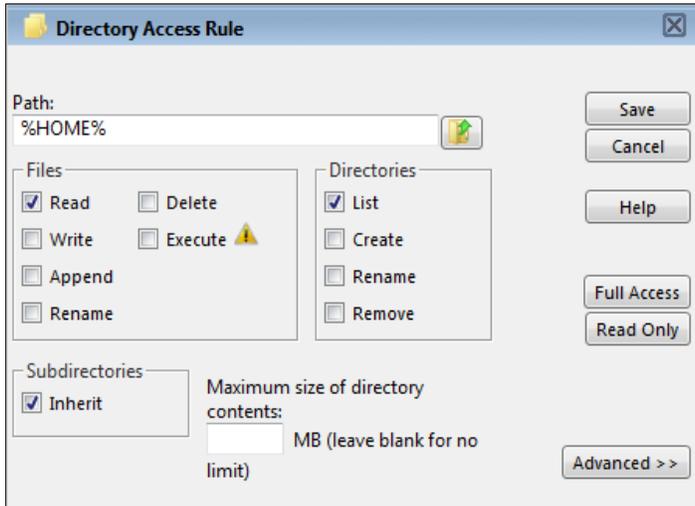
## ***Directory Access Rules***

Directory Access rules define the areas of the system that are accessible to user accounts. While traditionally restricted to the User and Group levels, Serv-U extends the usage of Directory Access rules to both the Domain and Server levels through the creation of global Directory Access rules. Directory Access rules specified at the Server level are inherited by all Users of the File Server. When specified at the Domain level, they are only inherited by Users belonging to that Domain. The traditional rules of inheritance apply where rules specified at a lower level (e.g., the User level) override conflicting or duplicates rules specified at a higher level (e.g., the Server level).

When setting the Directory Access path, the %USER%, %HOME%, %USER\_FULL\_NAME%, and %DOMAIN\_HOME% variables are available to simplify the process. For example, use %HOME%/ftproot/ to create a Directory Access rule that specifies the "ftproot" folder in the user's home directory. Directory access rules specified in this manner are "portable" in the event that the actual home directory changes while maintaining the same subdirectory structure. This leads to less maintenance for the File Server administrator. If the %USER% variable is specified in the path, it is replaced with the user's login ID. This variable is useful in specifying a Group's home directory to ensure that Users inherit a logical and unique home directory. The %USER\_FULL\_NAME% variable can be used to insert the "Full Name" value into the path (the user must have a "Full Name" specified for this to function). For example, the user "Tom Smith" could use D:\ftproot\%USER\_FULL\_NAME% for "D:\ftproot\Tom Smith". Finally, the %DOMAIN\_HOME% macro may also be used to identify the user's home directory - for example, to place users and their home directory into a common directory use %DOMAIN\_HOME%\%USER%.

Directory Access rules are applied in the order they are listed. The first rule Serv-U encounters in the list that matches the path of a client's request is the one that's applied for that rule. In other words, if a rule exists that denies access to a particular subdirectory but is listed below the rule that grants access to the parent directory, then a User still has access to the subdirectory in question. The arrows on the right side of the Directory Access list are used to re-arrange the order in which the rules are applied.

A listing and description of each available directory access permission follows.



## File Permissions

### Read

Allows Users to read, (i.e., download) files. This permission does not allow Users to list the contents of a directory, which is granted by the List permission.

### Write

Allows Users to write, (i.e., upload) files. This permission does not allow Users to modify existing files, which is granted by the Append permission.

### Append

Allows Users to append data to existing files. This permission is normally used to grant Users the ability to resume transferring to partially uploaded files.

### Rename

Allows Users to rename existing files. Previous versions of Serv-U required Delete and Write permissions to rename files. Starting with version 7.0, Rename is an explicit permission.

### Delete

Allows Users to delete files.

### Execute

Allows Users to remotely execute files. Execute access is meant for remotely starting programs and usually applies to specific files. This is a very powerful permission and great care should be used in granting it to Users. A User with Write and Execute permissions can essentially install any program of their choosing on your system.

## Directory Permissions

### List

Allows Users to list the files contained in the directory.

### Create

Allows Users to create new directories within the directory.

### Rename

Allows Users to rename existing directories within the directory. Previous versions of Serv-U required Delete and Write permissions to rename directories. Starting with version 7.0, Rename is an explicit permission.

### Delete

Allows Users to delete existing directories within the directory. NOTE: If the directory contains files, the User also needs to have the Delete files permission in order to delete the directory.

### Subdirectory Permissions

### Inherit

Allows all subdirectories to inherit the same permissions as the parent directory. The Inherit permission is appropriate for most circumstances, but if access must be restricted to subdirectories (as is the case when implementing Mandatory Access Control), uncheck Inherit and grant permissions specifically by folder.

### Access as Windows User

For a variety of reasons, files and folders may be kept on external servers in order to centralize file storage or provide additional layers of security. In this environment, files can be accessed by UNC path (\\servername\folder) instead of the traditional "C:\ftproot\folder" path. However, accessing folders stored across the network poses an additional challenge - Windows services are run under the "Local System" account by default, which has no access to network resources.

To mitigate this problem for all of Serv-U, it is possible to configure the "Serv-U File Server" service to run under a network account. The alternative, preferred when many servers exist or if the Serv-U File Server service needs to run under "Local System" for security reasons is to configure a Directory Access rule to use a specific Windows User for file access. By clicking on the "Advanced" button it is possible to specify a specific Windows user for each individual Directory Access rule. Just like in Windows Authentication, directory access is subject to NTFS permissions, though in this case also to the configured permissions in Serv-U.

### Quota Permissions

#### **Maximum size of directory contents**

Setting the maximum size actively restricts the size of the directory contents to the specified value. Any attempted file transfers that cause the directory contents to exceed this value are rejected. This feature serves as an alternative to the traditional quota feature that relies upon tracking all file transfers (uploads and deletions) to calculate directory sizes and is not able to consider changes made to the directory contents outside of a User's File Server activity.

### Mandatory Access Control

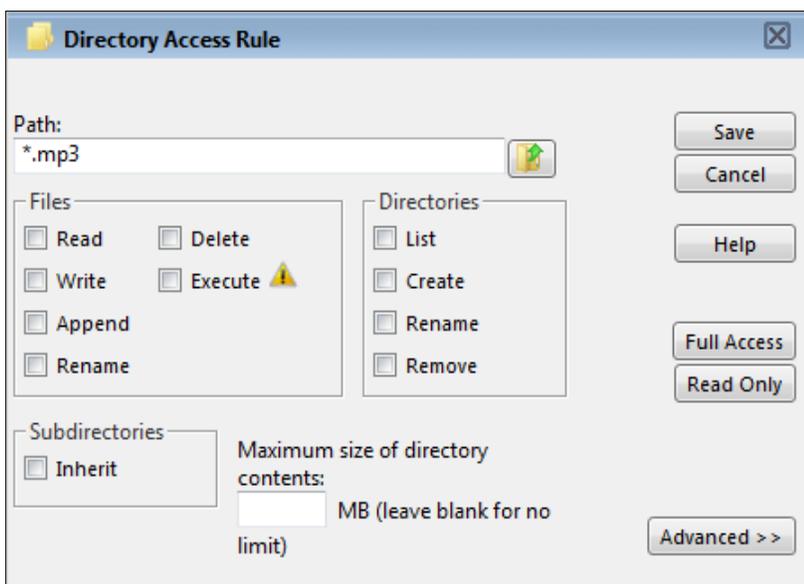
Serv-U enables the use of Mandatory Access control in cases where Users need to be granted access to the same home directory but should not be able to necessarily access the subdirectories below it. To implement Mandatory Access Control at a directory level, simply disable the "Inherit" permission as shown below (assume the rule applies to "D:\ftproot\"):



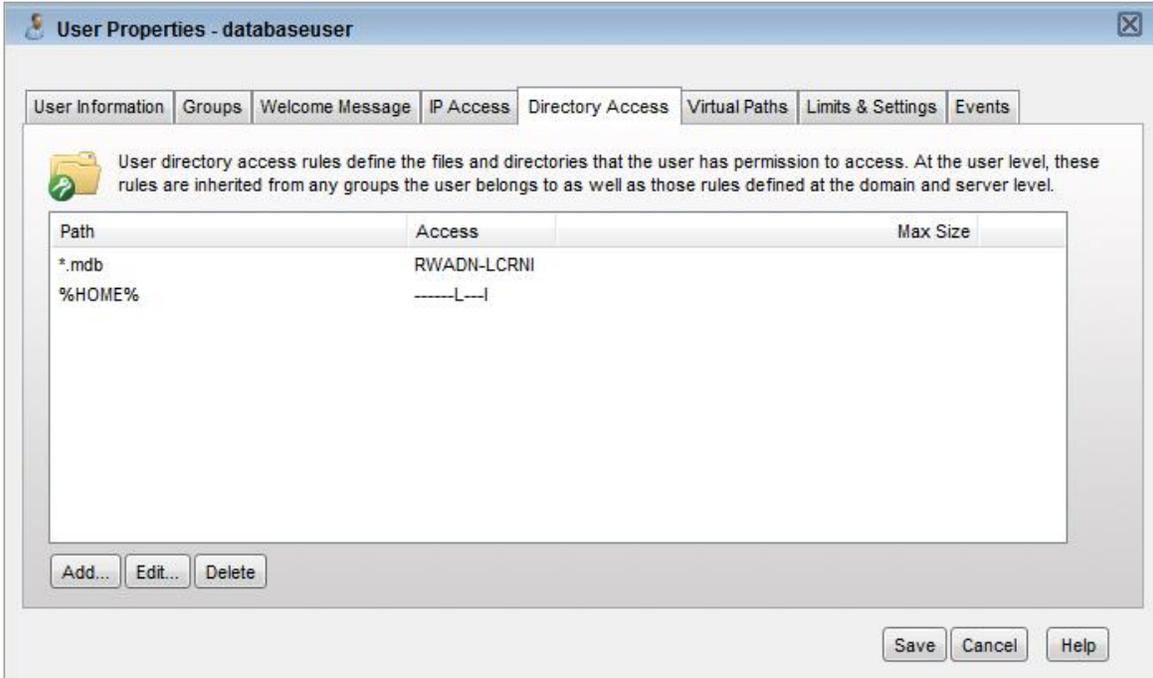
Now, the user has access to the "ftproot" folder but to no folders below it. Permissions must individually be granted to subdirectories that the user needs access to, providing the security of Mandatory Access Control in the Serv-U File Server.

### Restricting File Types

If Users are using storage space on the Serv-U File Server to store non-work-related files such as MP3 music files, this can be prevented by configuring a Directory Access rule placed above the main Directory Access Rule (use the arrows on the right to reorder rules) to prevent MP3 files from being transferred as shown below. In the text entry for the rule, enter "\*.mp3" and use the permissions shown below:



The rule denies permission to any transfer of files with the .mp3 extension and can be modified to reflect any file extension. Similarly, if accounting employees only need to transfer files with the .mdb extension, configure a pair of rules that grants permissions for .mdb files but denies access to all other files, as shown below. In the first rule enter the path that should be the user's home directory or directory they need access to, and in the second rule enter the extension of the file that should be accessed (such as "\*.mdb"):



## ***User-Level Logging***

The Serv-U File Server allows for a great deal of customization in logging User/Group events and activity. To enable a logging option, check the appropriate box in the "Log Message Options" box. When an option is checked, the appropriate logging information is saved to the specified log file if Enable logging to file is checked. The log can be configured to show as much or as little information as you desire. After configuring the desired logging options, click the Save button to save the changes.

### Logging to File Settings

#### **Log file path**

The log file must be given a name before information can be saved to a file. The Browse button can be used to select an existing file or directory location for the log file. The log file path supports certain wildcard characters as outlined below. Wildcard characters referencing the date apply to the day that the log file is created. When combined with the Automatically rotate log file option, wildcards provide an automatic way to archive activity for audits, such as those required by HIPAA. The available wildcard characters are:

- %H - The hour of the day (24-hour clock)
- %D - The current day of the month
- %M - The name of the current month
- %N - The numeric value of the current month (1-12)
- %Y - The 4-digit value of the current year, (e.g., 2012)
- %X - The 2-digit value of the current year, (e.g., 12 for 2012)
- %S - The name of the Domain whose activity is being logged
- %G - The name of the Group whose activity is being logged
- %L - The name of the login ID whose activity is being logged
- %U - The full name of the User whose activity is being logged

#### **Enable logging to file**

Check this box to Serv-U to begin saving log information to the file specified in the Log file path. If this option is not checked, Serv-U does not log any information to the file, regardless of the individual options checked in the "Log Message Options" box.

**Automatically rotate log file**

To ensure that log files remain a manageable size and can be easily referenced during auditing, Serv-U supports the ability to automatically rotate the log file on a regular basis. By specifying a Log file path containing wildcards referencing the current date, Serv-U can rotate the log file and create a unique file name every hour, day, week, month, or year.

**Purge Old Log Files**

Serv-U supports the ability to automatically purge old log files by setting a maximum number of files to keep and/or a maximum size limit in MB's. Setting these options to "0" means the setting is unlimited and the limit is not applied.

CAUTION: Log files are purged based only on the current log file path name and purged approximately every 10 minutes. Log file variables are replaced with Windows wildcard values used to search for matching files. For example:

**C:\Logs\%Y:%N:%D %S Log.txt** is searched for **C:\Logs\????:?:?? \* Log.txt**

**C:\Logs\%Y:%M:%D %S Log.txt** is searched for **C:\Logs\????\*:?? \* Log.txt**

**C:\Logs\%S\%Y:%M:%D Log.txt** is searched for **C:\Logs\--DomainName--\????\*:?? Log.txt**

**C:\Logs\%G\%Y:%M:%D Log.txt** is searched for **C:\Logs\--GroupName--\????\*:?? Log.txt**

**C:\Logs\%L\%Y:%M:%D Log.txt** is searched for **C:\Logs\--LoginID--\????\*:?? Log.txt**

**C:\Logs\%U\%Y:%M:%D Log.txt** is searched for **C:\Logs\--UserFullName--\????\*:?? Log.txt**

Log variables are wildcarded like this:

%H --> ??

%D --> ??

%N --> ??

%M --> \*

%Y --> ????

%X --> ??

%S --> \*

%G --> \*

%L --> \*

%U --> \*

Anything matching the wildcarded path name can be purged. Use caution; it's best practice to place log files into a single directory to avoid unexpected file deletion.

### Do Not Log IPs

Serv-U supports the ability to specify IP addresses that are exempt from logging. Activity from these IP addresses is not logged. This is useful to exempt IP addresses for administrators that may otherwise generate a lot of logging information that can obfuscate Domain activity from regular users. It can also be used to save on log space and reduce overhead. Simply click the Do Not Log IPs button and add IP addresses as appropriate.

### **IP Access Rules**

IP Access rules are an additional form of user authentication that can restrict login access to specific IP addresses, ranges of IP addresses, or even a domain name. IP Access rules can be configured at the Server, Domain, Group, and User levels. The level at which an IP access rule is specified also defines how far a connection is allowed before being rejected. Server and Domain level IP access rules are applied before the Welcome message is sent. Domain level IP access rules are also applied when responding to the HOST command to connect to a virtual domain. Group and User level IP access rules are applied in response to a USER command when the client identifies itself to the server.

Specifying these rules ensures that only clients in certain networks can log in. To configure IP Access rules, first specify what clients are allowed to log in or not allowed to log in. Add rules by clicking the Add button and specifying what IP addresses or range of addresses are to be applied to the rule. If a dynamic DNS service is used, then a domain name can be specified in place of an IP address to allow access to clients that travel and don't have a static IP address. Reverse DNS names are also acceptable. If a domain name or reverse DNS rule is created, Serv-U must perform either a reverse DNS look-up or DNS resolution in order to apply these rules. This can cause a slight delay during login depending upon the speed of the system's DNS server.

Special formatting allows ranges and wildcards to be used, as below:

### **Specific IP - xxx**

An exact match such as 192.168.1.1.

### **Range - xxx-xxx**

A specified range of IP addresses such as 192.168.1.10-19.

### **Wildcard - \***

Any valid IP address value such as 192.168.1.\*, which is analogous to 192.168.1.0-255.

### **Mask - ?**

Any valid character when specifying a reverse DNS name such as server?.mydomain.com.

### **CIDR Block - /**

The slash separator allows the use of CIDR notation to specify which IP addresses should be allowed or blocked. Common CIDR blocks are /8 (for 1.\*.\*.\*), /16 (for 1.2.\*.\*) and /24 (for 1.2.3.\*). The block /32 can be used to specify a single IP address.

IP access rules are applied in the order they are displayed. In this way, specific rules can be placed at the top to allow (or deny) access before a more general rule is applied later on in the list. The arrows on the right side of the list can be used to change the position of an individual rule in the list.

Approved addresses already appearing in the list do not become automatically blocked by the anti-hammering rule. For example, a local IP address 192.168.0.17 causes Serv-U to initiate its anti-hammer rule to ban the IP address, but 192.168.0.17 is explicitly approved in the list, 192.168.0.17 is not automatically blocked by the anti-hammer rule.

Here's how it works. Assuming the following IP access rules:

```
+ 192.168.0.17  
+ *
```

When there's activity coming from 192.168.0.17, but the user gets the password wrong auto IP blocking (via timeout, anti-hammer, or by system admin from Sessions Activity) doesn't occur because that IP address is specifically enabled. The bottom item \* means everyone is approved, without this value only 192.168.0.17 would be approved. If anti-hammer kicks in for a different IP address the blocked IP address gets added to the top of the list, so it looks like:

```
- 10.10.10.1  
+ 192.168.0.17  
+ *
```

If an entire block of IP addresses is desired, this also works as described:

```
+ 192.168.0.1-255  
+ *
```

If anti-hammer kicks in on any of these IPs, the IP is not blocked. The key here is the wild card \*. Serv-U also checks for \*.\* , \*.\*.\* , \*.\*.\*.\* as being "any" IP address.

### **IPv6 Support**

Serv-U also supports IP Access rules based on IPv6 address ranges in CIDR notation. As with IPv4, the number after the slash indicates which addresses are considered a part of the range, such as 2001:db8::/32.

### **Enable Sort Mode**

This option allows the IP Access list to be sorted numerically rather than in the processing order. Displaying the IP Access list in sort mode will not change the order in which rules are processed - to view rule precedence disable this option. Viewing the IP Access list in numerical order can be a valuable tool when reviewing long lists of access rules to determine if an entry already exists.

### **Case File - Contractor**

A contractor has been hired on a temporary basis, and access to the Serv-U File Server is required for the contract work to be completed effectively. He is granted access but should not be able to access the Server from locations outside of the field office as it would pose a risk to confidentiality. All of the in-office workstations are assigned IP addresses from 192.168.10.2-192.168.10.254. Therefore, create an Allow Access rule as shown:

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "IP Access Rule". It has a close button in the top right corner. The "IP Address/Name/Mask:" label is followed by a text input field containing "192.168.10.2-254". To the right of this field are two radio buttons: "Allow access" (which is selected) and "Deny access". Below the input field is a "Description:" label followed by an empty text area. At the bottom left, there is a section titled "IP Access Tips" with a list of symbols and their meanings: "xxx = exact match", "\* = match any", "/ = CIDR notation", "xxx-xxx = range (IP numbers only)", and "? = match any character". On the right side of the dialog, there are three buttons: "Save", "Cancel", and "Help".

The rule shown above permits the contractor to access the file server from inside the office, but because of the creation of the "Allow Access" rule there is an implicit "Deny All" rule added that prevents the account from being used anywhere else. He is granted the access necessary for the position, but the administrator has greater control over where the data is accessed.

### **Case File - Open Kiosks**

A user needs to be able to access the Server from within the office, but should not be able to log on from a set of open PC kiosks in the building for security reasons. The kiosks are assigned IP addresses from 192.168.15.100-192.168.15.110. Therefore, create a Deny Access rule which denies access to 192.168.15.100-192.168.15.110. Keep in mind that because of the implicit "Deny All" rule added when using IP Access rules, an "Allow All" rule must be added at the end of the list to allow the user to log on from all other address ranges by entering an Allow Access rule which allows access to "\*. \*.\*.\*". This rule at the end ensures that connections are allowed from all other IP addresses.

### **Case File - Access by Name**

Users connecting from the examplesite.com Domain should be the only ones able to access the Domain. To restrict the users able to connect to the Domain, implement an IP Access rule based on reverse DNS and host name. First, create a new access rule allowing access to \*.examplesite.com at either the User or Group level. Then, if the rule is set at the Group level, add all relevant users to the Group so that the rule is applied to them. DNS based IP Access rules cannot be set at the Domain or Server levels because they take more time to resolve than IP address IP Access rules and setting them at these levels potentially slow other logins.

NOTE: For such an access rule to work, the PTR records for the IP addresses in question must match the rule that has been created. Generally, the connecting clients must be connecting from a large company with an IP range assigned to it for the connecting IP addresses to have such PTR records - typically, dynamic IP addresses do not meet the requirement.

## Limits & Settings

Serv-U offers advanced options which can be used to customize how it may be used as well as ways to apply limits and custom settings to **Users, Groups, Domains**, and the **Server** in its entirety. The limits stack intelligently, with User settings overriding Group settings, Group settings overriding Domain settings, and Domain settings overriding Server settings. In addition, limits can be applied only during certain days of the week or times of the day. It is possible to grant exceptions to administrators and restrict specific Users more than others, providing total control over the Server. The Limits and Settings in Serv-U are split into five categories: **Connection, Password, Directory Listing, Data Transfer**, and **Advanced**.

To apply a limit, select the appropriate category, click on the **Add** button, select the limit, then select or enter the value. For example, to disable the **Lock users in home directory** option for a Domain, follow these steps:

- Select Domain Limits & Settings link from the Serv-U Management Console.
- Select **Directory Listing** from the "Limit Type" drop-down box.
- Click the **Add** button.
- Select **Lock users in home directory** from the "Limit" drop-down box.
- Uncheck the option.
- Click the **Save** button.

The limits list displays the current limits applied to the domain. Limits with a light-blue shade to the background are default values. Limits with a white background are values that override the defaults. After completing the above steps, a new **Lock users in home directory** limit appears in the list that displays "No" for the value. Because of inheritance rules, this option applies to all users in the domain unless overridden at the Group or User level.

Limits can be deleted by selecting them and clicking the **Delete** button. To edit an overridden value, select the limit and click the **Edit** button. Default rules cannot be edited or deleted. Create a new limit to override a default one.

To create a limit that is restricted to a specific time of day or days of the week, click the **Advanced** button from the New / Edit Limit dialog. The additional options allow you to **Apply limit only at this time of day** at which point a start and stop time for the new limit can be entered. To restrict the limit to certain days of the week, uncheck the boxes next to the days you don't want the limit applied. When a limit is restricted in this way, default values (or the value of other limit overrides) are applied when the time of day or day of the week restrictions are not met for this limit.

The following is a reference of all available **User** limits, organized by category.

### Connection

### **Block anti-timeout schemes**

Blocks the use of commands such as "NOOP", which is commonly used to keep FTP Command Channel connections open during long file transfers or other periods of inactivity where no information is being transferred on the control channel. When these are blocked, Serv-U disconnects the client when the connection has been idle, i.e., not transferring data, for a specified period of time.

#### **Automatic idle connection timeout**

Specifies the number of minutes that must pass after the last client data transfer before a session is disconnected for being idle.

#### **Maximum sessions per IP address for user account**

Specifies the maximum number of concurrent sessions that a User may open from a single IP address.

#### **Maximum number of sessions per user account**

Specifies the maximum number of concurrent sessions that may be opened from a single User account.

#### **Require secure connection before login**

Requires that a connection be secure, (e.g., FTPS, SFTP, or HTTPS), before it is accepted.

#### **Automatic session timeout**

Specifies the number of minutes a session is allowed to last before being disconnected by the Server.

#### **Block IP Address Of Timed Out Session**

Specifies the number of minutes for which the IP address of a timed out session is blocked.

#### **Allow FTP and FTPS Connections**

Allows the user to connect using the FTP and FTPS protocols. Uncheck "Allow FTP and FTPS connections" to disable the FTP and FTPS protocols.

#### **Allow SFTP Connections**

Allows the user to connect using the SFTP protocol. Uncheck "Allow SFTP connections" to disable the SFTP protocol.

#### **Allow HTTP and HTTPS Connections**

Allows the user to connect using the HTTP and HTTPS protocols. Uncheck "Allow HTTP and HTTPS connections" to disable the HTTP and HTTPS protocols.

#### **Password**

#### **Require complex passwords**

Specifies that all User account passwords must contain at least one uppercase and one non-alphabetic character to be considered valid.

#### **Minimum password length**

Specifies the minimum number of characters required in a User account's password. Specifying 0 characters indicates that there is no minimum requirement.

#### **Automatically expire passwords**

Specifies the number of days a password is valid before it must be changed. Specifying 0 days means passwords never expire.

### **Allow users to change password**

Specifies whether or not Users are allowed to change their own passwords.

### **Mask received passwords in logs**

Masks the passwords received from clients from being shown in log files. Disabling this allows passwords to be displayed in log files, which can be useful for debugging connection problems or auditing User account security.

### **FTP Password Type**

All passwords are stored in an encrypted, irreversible state in Serv-U's configuration files (unless the File Server is configured to not encrypt stored passwords through [Password Limits](#)). In addition to the **Regular Password** option, two additional types of password storage are available for accounts that use the FTP protocol: **MD4** and **MD5** OTP S/KEY passwords. This type of password setting allows the user to login via FTP without sending the password to the File Server as plain text. These options only apply to the FTP protocol. Setting this option does not affect a User's ability to login via other protocols.

### **SSH authentication type**

Specifies how SSH authentication is to occur. Options include: "Password and Public Key" - requires both a password and a public key (when specified) for login; "Password or Public Key" - requires either a password or public key for login; "Public Key Only" - requires that a public key is provided for successful login, a password is not allowed; "Password Only" - requires that a password is provided for successful login, a public key is not allowed.

### **Allow users to recover password**

If enabled, allows users to recover passwords using the Web Client password recovery utility at the login page.

### **Directory Listing**

#### **Hide files marked as hidden from listings**

Hides files and folders from directory listings that have the Windows "hidden" system attribute set on them.

#### **Use lowercase for file names and directories**

Forces Serv-U to display all file names and directories using lowercase characters, regardless of the actual letter case in use by the file or directory.

#### **Allow root ("/") to list drives for unlocked users**

Allows Users to change directory to the root ("/") of the system and display all drives on the computer. This option only works when the User is not locked in their home directory.

#### **Treat Windows shortcuts as target in links**

Instructs Serv-U to treat all valid .lnk (shortcut) files as a UNIX symbolic link. Windows-only.

#### **Hide the compressed state of files and directories.**

Hides the compressed state of all compressed files and directories being viewed by the user.

#### **Hide the encrypted state of files and directories.**

Hides the encrypted state of all encrypted files and directories being viewed by the user.

### **Interpret Windows shortcuts as links**

Instructs Serv-U to treat all valid .lnk files as the actual destination object. In other words, if a .lnk file points to another file, the destination file is shown in the directory listing instead of the .lnk file itself. Windows-only.

## **Data Transfer**

### **Delete partially uploaded files**

Instructs Serv-U to delete incomplete file uploads. If this option is enabled, Users are not able to restart interrupted uploads using the REST (Restart) FTP command.

### **Maximum download speed per session**

Limits the maximum download bandwidth for each individual session. Setting a limit of 0 KB/s means unlimited bandwidth.

### **Maximum upload speed per session**

Limits the maximum upload bandwidth for each individual session. Setting a limit of 0 KB/s means unlimited bandwidth.

### **Maximum download speed for user accounts**

Limits the maximum download bandwidth shared between all sessions associated with an individual User account. Setting a limit of 0 KB/s means unlimited bandwidth.

### **Maximum upload speed for user accounts**

Limits the maximum upload bandwidth shared between all sessions associated with an individual User account. Setting a limit of 0 KB/s means unlimited bandwidth.

### **Maximum Upload File Size**

Restricts the maximum single file size a user can upload to Serv-U. File size measured in kilobytes.

### **Interpret line feed byte as a new line when in ASCII mode**

When uploading and downloading files using ASCII mode, Serv-U will assume <LF> characters are the same as <CR><LF> end-of-line markers. Most Windows applications expect <CR><LF> to represent a new-line, as does the FTP protocol. However, since the definition of a new-line sequence is not fully defined in Windows, this option allows Serv-U to assume <LF> is the same as <CR><LF>. When uploading in ASCII mode stand-alone <LF> characters are changed to <CR><LF> prior to writing to the file. When downloading in ASCII mode, stand-alone <LF> characters are changed to <CR><LF> prior to sending to the client. Windows-only.

## **HTTP**

### **Default language for Web Client**

When the end-user connects with an unsupported language, the HTTP Login Page is displayed in English. The default language can be set to any desired language. When connecting to Serv-U using a supported localization of Windows, the native language of Windows is used.

### **Allow HTTP media playback**

The Serv-U Web Client supports fully interactive media playback of audio and video files. This function can be disabled as desired during specific business hours or altogether based on business needs.

#### **Allow the users browser to remember login information**

The HTTP login page supports a "Remember me" option (not enabled by default) that allows usernames to be remembered by the login page. This feature can be disabled for security reasons.

#### **Allow users to change themes**

The Serv-U Web Client supports visual themes to change the look and feel of the Web Client and HTTP login page. This feature is visual only and has no impact on security or functionality. This option can be disabled for business needs.

#### **Allow users to change languages**

The Serv-U Web Client is supported in many languages, but if users should not be able to select their native language this can be disabled.

#### **Maintain file dates and times after uploading (FTP Voyager JV only)**

When enabled, Serv-U can maintain the last modification time/date of the file when end-users are using FTP Voyager JV. When disabled Serv-U will not set the file's last modification date and time – it will remain the date and time the file was uploaded.

#### **Allow HTTP sessions to change IP address**

The Serv-U Web Client supports the transfer of HTTP sessions if the IP address changes. This option can be disabled but it may cause mobile devices to be disconnected due to frequent IP address changes by these devices.

#### **Advanced**

#### **Automatically check directory sizes during upload**

Instructs Serv-U to occasionally check the size of directories in which a maximum directory size has been specified. This attribute ensures that Serv-U always has updated directory sizes available instead of having to calculate them at transfer time, which can be a time consuming operation.

#### **Convert URL characters in commands to ASCII**

Instructs Serv-U to convert special characters contained in command parameters to plain ASCII text. Certain Web browsers can encode special characters contained in file names and directories when using the FTP protocol. This attribute allows Serv-U to decode these special characters.

#### **Maximum Supported SFTP Version**

Specifies the maximum version of SFTP permitted for SFTP connections. Serv-U supports SFTP versions 3-6.

**Days before automatically disabling account to trigger the pre-disable event**

The number of days prior to automatically disabling the user account that the pre-disable event should be triggered.

**Days before automatically deleting account to trigger the pre-delete event**

The number of days prior to automatically deleting the user account that the pre-delete event should be triggered.

**Owner ID (user name) for created files and directories (Linux Only)**

The user name given to set as owner of a created file or directory.

**Group ID (group name) for created files and directories (Linux Only)**

The group name given to set as owner of a created file or directory.

**Reset user stats after restart**

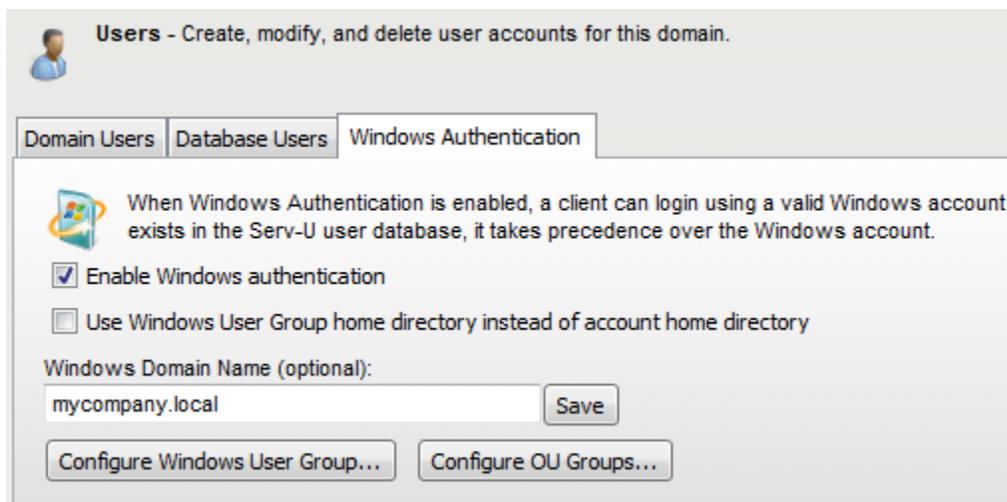
When this limit is enable the user stats are reset after a server restart.

**Warn end users when using old web browsers**

When enabled (default) Serv-U allows files to be renamed to files where the destination already exists. When disabled users are not allowed to rename a file or directory to a path name that already exists.

## Windows Authentication

Serv-U MFT Server Edition includes support for authentication against Windows Active Directory as well as Windows users in the local Security Accounts Manager (SAM). This support is enabled on a per-domain basis in the “Users | Windows Authentication” menu as follows.



To enable Windows Authentication, first click the “Enable Windows authentication” option in the menu. For local Windows SAM authentication, no further action is needed – local Windows users will be able to log on to Serv-U just like Serv-U user accounts. For integration with Active Directory, the Windows Domain Name must be added, and then Active Directory users will be able to authenticate as well.

For further information, please see our [KB Article #1412](#).

## Domain Setting

### Block users who connect more than 'x' times within 'y' seconds for 'z' minutes

Also known as anti-hammering, enabling this option is a method of preventing brute force password guessing systems from using dictionary style attacks to locate a valid password for a user account. Most dictionary attacks can be defeated by utilizing strong, complex passwords. However, enabling this option ensures that Serv-U does not waste time processing connections from these illegitimate sources. When configuring this option, ensure that there is some room available for legitimate users to correct an incorrect password before they are blocked.

When enabled, this option temporarily blocks IP addresses for 'z' minutes that fail to successfully login after 'x' attempts within 'y' seconds. IP addresses blocked in this way can be viewed in the appropriate IP Access rules tab. A successful login resets the counter tracking attempted logins.

### Hide server information from SSH identity

After a successful SSH login, the server sends identification information to the client. Normally, this information includes the server name and version number. Enable this option to prevent the information from being given to the client.

## Default Web Client

Specifies whether the Web Client or FTP Voyager JV should be used by all HTTP clients by default. A third option (the default option) is to prompt the User for the client they want to use instead. This option is also available at the Group and User level.

## Client Support Link

The Client Support Link is a powerful feature that allows a direct method of contact to be inserted into the Web Client and FTP Voyager JV in the event that a client requires support or assistance. The basic syntax for this feature is **protocol:path**. This option is highly flexible and allows for any network shortcut to be used, such as:

<http://www.website.com/support/>

**mailto:service@website.com?subject=Serv-U File Server Support**

**aim:goim?screenname=ExampleAdminUser&message=I need help with your Serv-U File Server!**

Any format can be used as long as the client's machine understands the provided protocol.

## **Transfer Ratio and Quota Management**

Transfer Ratios and Quotas are just one of the many ways in which file transfers are managed on the Serv-U File Server. For more information on each of these options, continue reading.

### Transfer Ratio

Transfer ratios are a convenient way of encouraging file sharing on your File Server. By specifying an appropriate transfer ratio setting, you can grant "credits" to the User for transferring a specified number of bytes or complete files. This is commonly used to grant a User the ability to download 'x' megabytes of data or files for every 'y' megabytes of data or files that they upload.

To enable transfer ratios for the current User account, check the box labeled Enable transfer ratio. Select the appropriate type of ratio to impose on the User account. Ratios can be tracked in terms of megabytes or complete files. They can also be tracked per session established or for all sessions established by the User account.

The ratio itself is configured by assigning a numeric value to both the Uploads and Downloads side of the ratio. For example, a 3/1 ratio that is counting files over all sessions means that the User account must upload 3 files in order to have the ability to download 1 file. The current credit for the User account is displayed in the Credit field. This value is the current value and can be initialized to a non-zero value to grant the User initial credits.

### Quota

Quotas are another way to limit the amount of data that is transferred by a User account. When a Maximum quota value is assigned to the User, they are not able to use more disk space than that value. The Current field shows how much disk space is currently being used by the User account. When initially configuring a quota, both fields must be filled in. From that point on, Serv-U tracks the file uploads and deletions made by the User and updates the Current value as appropriate.

**NOTE:** One considerable drawback to using quotas is that in order for the Current value to remain accurate, changes must not be made to the contents of the directories that are accessible by the User account outside of Serv-U. Because these changes take place outside of a File Server connection, Serv-U cannot track them and update the current quota value. As an alternative to quotas, consider imposing a maximum size on the contents of a directory when specifying the Directory Access rules for the User account. For more information on this option, see the Help documentation on Directory Access Rules.

### Ratio Free Files

Files listed in the ratio free file list are exempt from any imposed transfer ratios. In other words, if a User must upload files in order to earn credits towards downloading a file, a file that matches an entry in this list can always be downloaded by Users, even if they have no current credits. This is commonly used to make special files, such as a "read me" or a directory information file, always accessible by Users.

The '\*' and '?' wildcard characters may be used when specifying a ratio free file. Using '\*' specifies a wildcard of any kind of character and any length. For example, entering "\*.txt" makes any file with a .txt extension free for download, regardless of the actual file name. A '?' may be used to represent a single character within the file name or directory.

In addition, full or relative paths may be used when making an entry. If a full path is used when specifying a file name, then only that specific file is exempt from transfer ratios. If a relative path is used, such as entering just "readme.txt", then the provided file is exempt from transfer ratios regardless of the directory it is located in.

### **Virtual Hosts**

Virtual Hosts provide a way for multiple Domains to share the same IP and Listener port numbers. Normally, each domain listener must use a unique IP address and port number combination. With Virtual Hosts, it's possible to host multiple Domains on a system that only has one unique IP address without having to use non-standard port numbers. The Domains can share the same listeners by proper implementation of Virtual Hosts. This feature is only available when the current license supports hosting multiple Domains.

To configure Virtual Hosts for a Domain, click on the Add button and type in the Virtual Host name for the Domain. The Virtual Host name is usually the fully qualified domain name used to connect to the Domain such as "ftp.Serv-U.com".

The method used by a client to connect to a desired Virtual Host depends upon the protocol being used to connect to Serv-U.

#### **FTP**

FTP users can use one of two methods to connect to a specific Virtual Host. If supported by the FTP client, the HOST command can be issued to Serv-U before login to identify the Virtual Host. Otherwise, the virtual host can be provided with the login ID in the following format: virtual\_host\_name|login ID. The Virtual Host name is entered first, followed by the vertical bar character (|), then the login ID.

#### **SFTP**

SFTP users wishing to connect to a specific virtual host must use the specially crafted login ID format as described above in the FTP section.

#### **HTTP**

For HTTP users, the browser automatically provides Serv-U with the hostname used to reach the site allowing Serv-U to identify the Virtual Host from the fully qualified domain name entered into the browser's navigation bar.

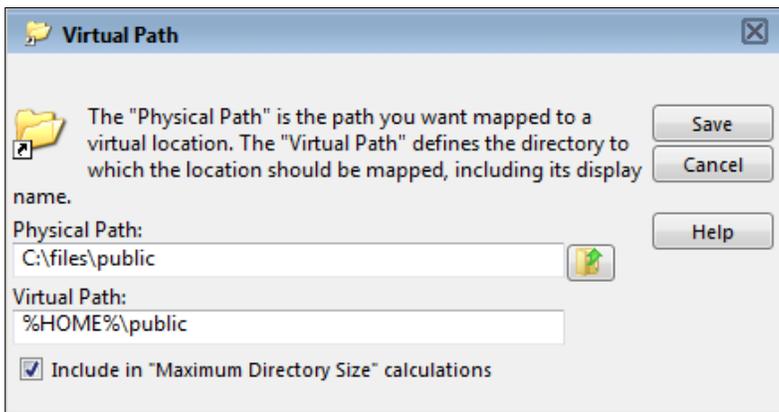
### **Case File - Virtual Hosts**

Multiple Domains are being configured on the same Server, which has one IP address and two Fully Qualified Domain Names (FQDN) pointing to it. Because Users connecting to both Domains must use port 21 for connections, configure Virtual Hosts on each Domain so that Serv-U can distinguish between requests for the two Domains. After setting up the same listener properties on each Domain: open the Virtual Hosts tab, click Add, and then type in the FQDN that clients should use to connect to the Domain.

After connecting to the Server with FTP, Users can send a HOST ftp.Serv-U.com command to connect to the appropriate Domain on the File Server. FTP and SFTP users could also identify the Virtual Host through their login ID of ftp.Serv-U.com|login ID. If connecting via HTTP, Users can connect to this Domain by visiting http://ftp.Serv-U.com.

## Virtual Paths

Virtual Paths allow Users to gain access to files and folders outside of their own home directory. A Virtual Path only defines a method of mapping an existing directory to another location on the system to make it visible within a User's accessible directory structure. In order to actually have access to the mapped location, the User must still have a Directory Access rule specified for the physical path of a Virtual Path.



Like Directory Access Rules, Virtual Paths can be configured at the Server, Domain, Group, and User levels. Virtual Paths created at the Server level are available for use by all Users of the File Server. When created at the Domain level, they are only accessible by Users belonging to that Domain. Serv-U's granular file access controls even allow for Virtual Paths created specifically for individual Users or Groups.

### Physical Path

The physical path is the actual location on the system or network that is to be placed in a virtual location accessible by a User. If the physical path is located on the same computer, a full path should be used, such as "D:\inetpub\ftp\public". A UNC path can also be used, such as "\\Server\share\public". In order for a Virtual Path to be visible to a User, they must have a Directory Access rule specified for the physical path.

### Virtual Path

The virtual path is the location that the physical path should appear in for the User. The %HOME% macro is commonly used in the virtual path to place the specified physical path in the home directory of the User. When specifying the virtual path, the last specified directory is used as the name displayed in directory listings to the User. For example, a virtual path of "%HOME%/public" places the specified physical path in a folder named "public" within the User's home directory. A full path without any macros can also be used.

### Include in "Maximum Directory Size" calculations

When checked, the Virtual Path is included in Maximum Directory Size calculations. When unchecked, the Virtual Path is not included in the Maximum Directory Size calculations. Maximum Directory Size limits the size of directories affecting how much data can be uploaded.

### Case File - Using Virtual Paths

A Group of web developers have been granted access to the directory "D:\ftproot\examplesite.com\" for web development purposes. The developers also need access to an image repository located at "D:\corpimages\". To avoid granting the Group access to the root D drive, a Virtual Path must be configured so that the image repository appears to be contained within their home directory. Within the web developer's Group, add a Virtual Path to "bring the directory to the users" by specifying "D:\corpimages\" as the Physical Path and "D:\ftproot\examplesite.com\corpimages" as the Virtual Path. Be sure to add a Group level Directory Access rule for "D:\corpimages\" as well. The developers now have access to the image repository without compromising security or relocating shared resources.

### Case File - Creating Relative Virtual Paths

Continuing with the example from above, if the web developer's Group home directory is relocated to another drive, not only does the home directory have to be updated, but the Virtual Path also needs to be updated to reflect this change. This can be avoided by using the %HOME% macro to create a relative Virtual Path location that eliminates the need to update the path should the home directory change. Instead of using "D:\ftproot\examplesite.com\corpimages" as the Virtual Path, use "%HOME%\corpimages". This tells Serv-U to place the "corpimages" Virtual Path within the Group's home directory - whatever that may be. If the home directory changes at a later date, the Virtual Path still appears there.

## **Groups**

Groups are a method of sharing common configuration options with multiple User accounts. Configuring a Group is just like configuring a User account. Virtually every configuration option available for a User account can be set at the Group level. In order for a User to inherit a Group's settings, it must be a member of the Group. Permissions and attributes inherited by a User through Group membership can still be overridden at the User level. A User can be a member of multiple Groups in order to acquire multiple collections of permissions, such as directory or IP access rules.

Like User accounts, Groups can be created at multiple different levels, including:

- Global Groups
- Domain Groups
- Database Groups - available at both the Server and Domain levels

However, Groups are only available to User accounts that are defined at the same level. In other words, a Global User, (i.e., a User defined at the Server level), can only be a member of a Global Group. Likewise, a User defined for a specific Domain can only be a member of a Group also created for that Domain. This restriction also applies to Groups created in a database in that only Users created within a database at the same level can be members of those Groups.

Use the Add, Edit, and Delete buttons to manage the available Groups.

### Group Template

Serv-U allows an administrator to configure a template for creating new Groups by clicking on the Template button. Once opened, the template Group can be configured just like any other Group object, with the exception of giving it a name. After these settings are saved to the template, all new Groups are created with their default settings set to those found within the template. This is a great way to configure some basic settings that you want all of your Groups to use by default to save you time when creating new Groups.

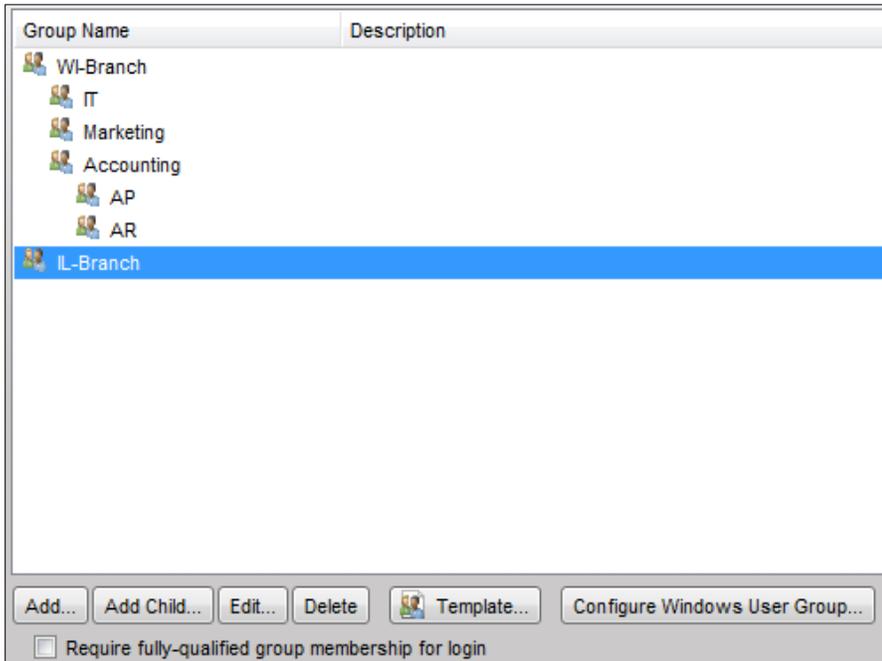
### Configure Windows User Group

Administrators have the ability to allow clients to login to the File Server using the local Windows user database or one that is made accessible through a domain server. These User accounts do not exist in the local Serv-U User database and cannot be configured on an individual basis. To aid in configuring these accounts, all Users logged in through this method belong to the Default Windows User Group. Clicking this button allows this Group to be configured like normal. However, changes that are made to this Group only apply to Windows User accounts.

## **Serv-U Windows Groups**

Serv-U includes full support for Active Directory by allowing administrators to configure individual Organization Units with different permissions and settings, even restricting Serv-U logon to certain OUs. To simplify the process, the new Serv-U Windows Groups are configured in a hierarchical structure just like OUs in Active Directory.

In Serv-U, Windows Groups are configured in the "Groups | Windows Groups" menu. To enable this option, Windows Authentication must first be enabled in the "Users | Windows Authentication" menu. After the Active Directory Domain Name is provided, click "Save" and open the "Groups | Windows Groups" menu.

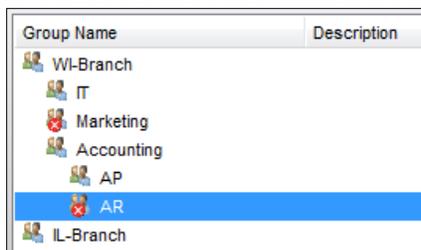


**NOTE:** To require membership in a listed OU, enable the "Require fully qualified group membership for login" option.

The generic Windows User Group can still be configured as before using the "Configure Windows User Group" option, but the groups list above is where Serv-U's new functionality shines through. To define Organizational Units in Serv-U, start with the Organizational Unit that is the parent in your AD structure (the root of your Active Directory Domain). In this case, our Active Directory is sorted by branch, with the root Domains being the state-wide branches (WI-Branch and IL-Branch). Within WI-Branch we have defined the different departments that are allowed to log in to Serv-U.

### Adding Windows Groups

- Adding Windows Groups is easy, following the steps outlined below:
- Click "Add" to add any root groups, starting at the root of your AD Domain.
- To add children OUs, click the parent OU and then click "Add Child" to define the OUs you desire to configure in the same structure and hierarchy as your Active Directory.
- To edit the individual OUs, use the "Edit" button. Each OU can have its own Virtual Paths, bandwidth limits, and more. You can even enable/disable individual OUs from logging on to Serv-U as necessary



- By default, all Windows users may log on. To change this, click "Require fully qualified group membership for login" so that only approved Windows users may log on.

Using Windows Groups in Serv-U 10 allows administrators to fully control individual OUs, defining within Active Directory who may and may not log on to Serv-U as well as what permissions they may have outside of their standard NTFS permissions.

## Encryption

Serv-U supports two methods of encrypted data transfer - Secure Socket Layer (SSL) and Secure Shell 2 (SSH2). SSL is used to secure the File Transfer Protocol (FTP) and Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP). SSH2 is a method of securely interacting with a remote system that supports a method of file transfer commonly referred to as SFTP. Despite its name, SFTP does not have anything in common with the FTP protocol itself.

In order for each method of encryption to work, a certificate and/or private key must be supplied. SSL requires the presence of both, while SSH2 only requires a private key. If you do not possess either of these required files, Serv-U can create them for you.

Encryption options specified at the Server level are automatically inherited by all Domains. Any encryption options specified at the Domain level automatically overrides the corresponding Server-level option. Certain configuration options are only available to the Server.

Configure the encryption options for the file server. Encryption options specified at the server level are used by default at the domain level unless overridden with different information. The advanced SSL and SSH encryption options can only be configured at the server level.

**SSL Certificate (for FTPS and HTTPS)**

Certificate Path:

Private Key Path:

Password:

CA (Certificate Authority) Certificate Path:

**SSH Private Key (for SFTP)**

Private Key Path:

Password:

**Advanced SSL Options**

Enable low-security SSL ciphers

Disable SSLv2 support

**SSH Ciphers**

AES-128       AES-128-ctr

AES-192       AES-192-ctr

AES-256       AES-256-ctr

Blowfish       CBC

CAST-128       Triple DES

**SSH MACs**

MD5       SHA2 512

SHA1       SHA2 512-96

SHA1 96

SHA2 256

SHA2 256-96

**FIPS Options**

Enable FIPS 140-2 mode

**NOTE:** Certain clients may no longer function when using FIPS 140-2 mode. (Applies to both SSH and SSL)

When creating SSL/TLS, SSH, and HTTPS encrypted Domains within Serv-U, it is important to know that encrypted Domains cannot share listeners. Because SSL/TLS and SSH encryption is based on encrypting traffic sent between IP addresses, each Domain must have unique listeners in order to operate properly. In the case that multiple encrypted Domains are created that share listeners, the Domain created first takes precedence causing other encrypted Domains to fail to function properly. To operate multiple encrypted Domains, modify the listeners of each Domain to ensure they listen on unique port numbers.

## Configuring SSL for FTPS and HTTPS

### **Using an Existing Certificate**

- Obtain an SSL certificate and private key file from a certificate authority.
- Place these files in a secured directory in the server.
- Use the appropriate Browse button to select both the certificate and private key files.
- If a CA (Certificate Authority) PEM file has been issued, enter or browse to the file.
- Enter the password used to encrypt the private key file.
- Click the Save button.

If the provided file paths and password are all correct, Serv-U begins using the certificate immediately to secure FTPS and HTTPS connections using the provided certificate. If the password is incorrect or Serv-U cannot find either of the provided files, an error message is displayed that explains the encountered error.

### **Creating a New Certificate**

- Click the Create Certificate button to get started.
- Specify the Certificate Set Name that is used to name each of the files Serv-U creates.
- Specify the output path where the created files are to be placed. In most cases, the installation directory is a safe location (i.e., C:\Program Files\RhinoSoft\Serv-U\).
- Specify the city/town in which the server or corporation is located.
- Specify the state (if applicable) in which the server or corporation is located.
- Specify the 2-digit country code for the country in which the server or corporation is located.
- Specify the password used to secure the private key.
- Specify the full organization name.
- Specify the common name of the certificate. The IP address or the Fully Qualified Domain Name (FQDN) that Users use to connect must be listed here. NOTE: If the Common Name is not the IP address or FQDN used by clients to connect, clients may be prompted that the certificate does not match the domain name they are connecting to.
- Specify the business unit the server resides in.
- Click the Create button to complete certificate creation.

**New Certificate Creation**

This utility creates a Self-Signed certificate (.crt) as well as a Certificate Request (.csr) and Private Key (.key) file from the provided information.

**Output**

Certificate Set Name:  
RhinoSoft.com

Output Directory:  
D:\

**Certificate Information**

City/Town: Helenville	Organization: RhinoSoft.com
State/Province: WI	Common Name / Domain Name: ftp.rhinosoft.com
Country (2 letter abbreviation): US	Unit: IT
Password: ●●●●●●●●	Key Length (in bits): 2048

Create Cancel Help

Serv-U creates three files using the provided information: A self-signed certificate (.crt) that can be used immediately on the server but isn't authenticated by any known certificate authority, a certificate request (.csr) that can be provided to a certificate authority for authentication, and a private key file (.key) that is used to secure both certificate files. It is extremely important that the private key be kept in a safe and secure location. If your private key is compromised, then your certificate can be used by malicious individuals.

### **Viewing the Certificate**

To view the SSL certificate once it is configured, click the View Certificate button. The new dialog displays all identifying information about the certificate, including the dates during which the certificate is valid.

### **Advanced SSL Options**

These advanced SSL options can only be configured at the Server level. All Domains inherit this behavior, which cannot be individually overridden.

**Enable Low Security Ciphers** - Checking this box enables low-security SSL ciphers to be used. Some older or international clients may not support today's best SSL ciphers. Because these ciphers are considered insecure by today's computing standards, Serv-U does not accept these ciphers by default.

**Disable SSLv2 Support** - There are several different versions of SSL supported by Serv-U. An older version, SSLv2, has documented security weaknesses that make it less secure than SSLv3 and TLS. However, it may be necessary to support SSLv2 for compatibility with exported clients or old client software. Checking this box disables support for the older SSLv2 protocol.

### **FIPS Options**

**Enable FIPS 140-2 mode** - FIPS 140-2 is a set of rigorously tested encryption specifications set by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). Enabling FIPS 140-2 mode limits Serv-U to encryption algorithms certified to be FIPS 140-2 compliant and ensures the highest level of security for encrypted connections.

### **SFTP (Secure File Transfer over SSH2)**

### **Using an Existing Private Key**

- Obtain a private key file.
- Place the private key file in a secured directory in the server. Use the Browse button in Serv-U to select the file.
- Enter the password for the private key file.
- Click the Save button.

### **Creating a Private Key**

- Click the Create Private Key button.
- Enter the name of the private key, (e.g., "MyDomain Key"), which is also used to name the storage file.
- Enter the output path of the certificate, (e.g., C:\Program Files\RhinoSoft\Serv-U\).
- Select the Key Type (default of DSA is preferred, but RSA is available).
- Select the Key Length (default of 1024 bits provides best performance, 2048 bits is a good median, while 4096 bits provides best security).
- Enter the password to use for securing the private key file.

### **SSH Ciphers and MACs**

By default, all supported SSH ciphers and MACs (Message Authentication Codes) are enabled for use by the Server. If your specific security needs dictate that only certain ciphers or MACs can be used, you can individually disable unwanted ciphers and MACs by unchecking the appropriate boxes.

### **FTP Settings**

The Serv-U File Server allows for the customization of the FTP commands that it accepts as well as its responses to FTP commands received. When configuring these options at the Server level, all Domains inherit these customizations. To customize the FTP behavior for a specific Domain, select the appropriate Domain, open the FTP Settings tab for the Domain, and click the Use Custom Settings button. At any time, the Use Default Settings button can be clicked to have the Domain revert back to the Server's default settings.

Customizing the FTP behavior in this way is not recommended except for those very familiar with the FTP protocol and its standard and extended command set.

#### **Global Properties**

When using custom settings, the Global Properties button becomes available.

#### **Global FTP Responses**

Global FTP responses are responses shared amongst most FTP commands, such as the error message sent when a file isn't found. Customizing a global FTP response ensures that the response is used by all other FTP commands rather than having to customize it for each individual FTP command. FTP command responses can contain special macros that allow real-time data to be inserted in to the response. See the Help section on System Variables for more information.

#### **Server Welcome Message**

The Server welcome message is sent in addition to the standard "220 Welcome Message" that identifies the Server to clients when they first connect. If the Include response code in text of message file box is checked, then the 220 response code begins each line of the specified welcome message. To customize the welcome message, enter the path to a text file in Message File Path input box. Use the Browse button to select a file on the computer. Serv-U opens this file and sends its contents to connecting clients.

### **Advanced Options**

Block "FTP\_bounce" attacks and FXP (server-to-server transfers) - Checking this box blocks all server-to-server file transfers involving this Serv-U File Server by only allowing file transfers to the IP address in use by the command channel. For more information on "FTP\_bounce" attacks, see CERT advisory CA-97.27.

Include response code on all lines of multi-line responses - The FTP protocol defines two ways in which a multi-line response can be issued by an FTP server. Some older FTP clients have trouble parsing multi-line responses that don't contain the 3-digit response code on each line. Check this box if your clients are using an FTP client experiencing problems with multi-line responses from Serv-U.

Use UTF-8 encoding for all sent and received paths and file names - By default, Serv-U treats all file names and paths as UTF-8 encoded strings. It also sends all file names and paths as UTF-8 encoded strings, such as when sending a directory listing. Unchecking this option prevents Serv-U from UTF-8 encoding these strings. When this option is unchecked, UTF8 is not included in the FEAT command response to indicate to clients that the server is not using UTF-8 encoding.

### **Editing FTP Commands & Responses**

To edit FTP Commands, select the FTP command to edit and click the Edit button.

### **Information**

Under the Information tab, basic information about the command is shown along with a link to more information on our website. Each FTP command can also be disabled by checking the Disable command checkbox. Disabled commands are treated as unrecognized commands when they are received from a client.

### **FTP Responses**

Under the FTP Responses tab, all possible FTP responses to the command as issued by the Server can be modified by clicking on the Edit button for each response. FTP command responses can contain special macros that allow real-time data to be inserted in to the response. See the Help section on System Variables for more information.

### **Message Files**

Certain FTP commands allow a message file to be associated with them. The contents of a message file are sent along with the standard FTP response. In addition, a secondary message file path is available as a default option. This allows for message files to be specified using a path relative to the User's home directory for the Message File. If the first message file isn't found, then Serv-U attempts to use the Secondary Message File instead. By specifying an absolute file path in the secondary location, you can ensure that each User receives a message file.

The following is a list of all FTP commands that allow specifying a message file:

- CDUP
- CWD
- QUIT

### **Advanced Options**

Some FTP commands contain advanced configuration options that offer additional ways to configure the behavior of the command. Where available, the configuration option is described in detail in the Management Console. The following is a list of FTP commands containing advanced configuration options:

- LIST
- MDTM
- NLST

### Case File - Custom FTP Command Response

Users connecting to the server need to know how much quota space is available in a given folder when they have completed a transfer. To do this, edit the response to the STOR command to include a report on available space. By default, the 226 (command successful) response to the STOR command (which stores files on the server) is:

"Transfer complete. \$TransferBytes bytes transferred. \$TransferKBPerSecond KB/sec."

Modify this to include an extra variable:

"Transfer complete. \$TransferBytes bytes transferred. \$TransferKBPerSecond KB/sec. Remaining storage space is \$QuotaLeft."

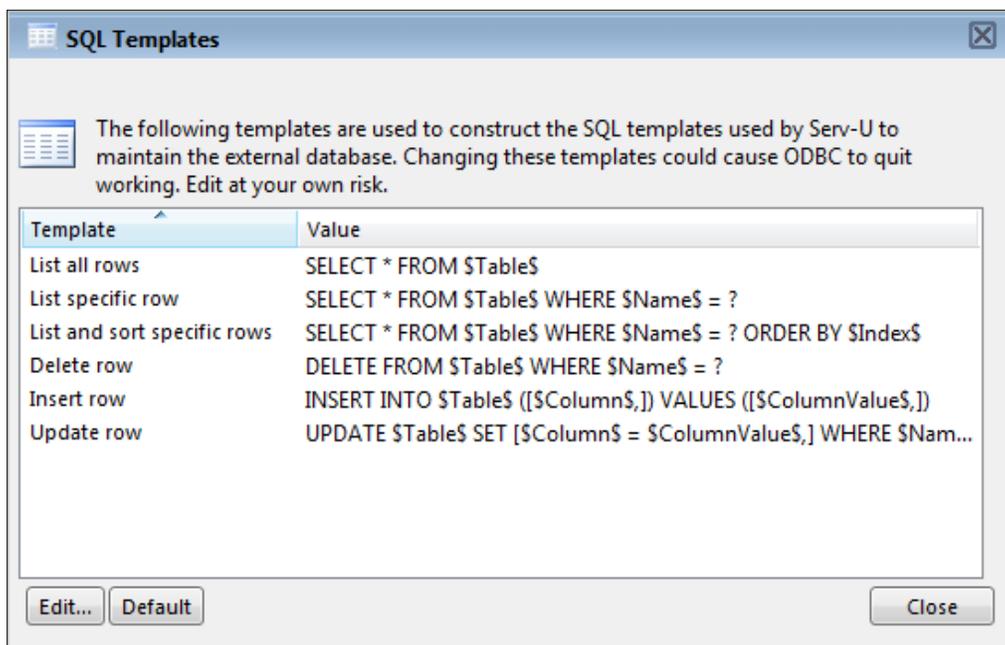
The last sentence shows the user how much storage space is left at the end of each file upload. The same can be done for the DELETE command, so that every time a user deletes a file, their updated quota value, showing an increase in available space, is displayed. This can be done for any FTP command response.

## Database Access

### SQL Templates

Serv-U uses multiple queries to maintain the databases containing User and Group information. These queries conform to the SQL language standards. However, if the database you're using is having problems working with Serv-U, you may need to alter these queries. From the SQL Templates dialog, each query used by Serv-U can be specially tailored to conform to the standards supported by your database.

NOTE: Incorrectly editing these SQL queries could cause ODBC support to stop working in Serv-U. Do not edit these queries unless you are comfortable constructing SQL statements and are positive that it is necessary to enable ODBC support with your database software.



### User and Group Table Mappings

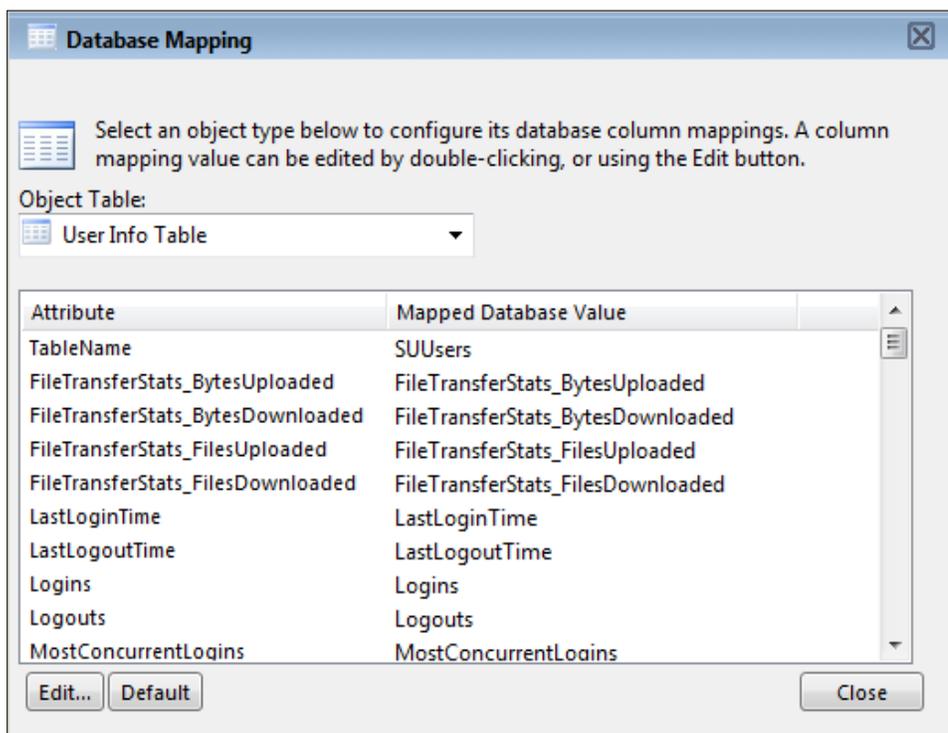
By default, Serv-U automatically creates and maintains the tables and columns necessary to store User and Group information in a database. However, if you're attempting to connect Serv-U to an existing database containing this information, you need to customize the table and column names to conform to the existing database structure. Click the User Table Mappings or Group Table Mappings to get started.

Serv-U stores information for a User or Group in 10 separate tables. Only the User/Group Info Table and User/Group Dir Access Table are required. The current table can be changed from the Object Table drop-down box. The Attribute column lists the attributes that are stored in the current table. The Mapped Database Value displays the name of the column that attribute is mapped to in the database. The first row always displays the "TableName" and can be used to change the name of the table.

Certain tables where the order of the entries bears significance have a SortColumn attribute listed. This column is used to store the order in which rules are applied.

Click the Edit button or double-click the column name to edit a value.

When enabled, the table is accessed as needed. In special situations a table that isn't being used may be disabled to reduce the number of ODBC (database) calls. For example, if not using Ratios and Quotas "User Ratio-Free Files", "Per User Files Ratio", "Per User Bytes Ratio", "Per Session Files Ratio", and "Per Session Bytes Ratio" tables may be disabled preventing unneeded ODBC calls. Exercise caution when disabling tables as the fields will appear in dialogs, but they will not be saved or loaded. The "User Info" and "Group Info" tables cannot be disabled.



For further customization, see the Serv-U Database Integration Guide at:

[http://www.Serv-U.com/integration\\_guide](http://www.Serv-U.com/integration_guide)

### **Case File - ODBC Authentication**

Authentication in the Serv-U File Server can be handled through an ODBC database, allowing for scripted account management and maintenance. In order to make use of ODBC functionality, migrate to ODBC authentication through a database. By storing credentials in settings in a database, accounts can be managed from outside the Serv-U Management Console via scripted database operations which can be built into many existing account provisioning systems. A DSN must first be created in Control Panel | Administrative Tools | Data Sources (ODBC) - use a System DSN if Serv-U is running as a service or a User DSN if Serv-U is running as an application. Once the proper DSN has been created, the administrator must specify the Data Source Name, login ID and password and select Save. Serv-U creates the tables and columns transparently. Database Users and Groups can be managed from the Database Users and Database Groups sections of Serv-U (located near the normal Users and Groups tabs).

### **SMTP Configuration**

Serv-U allows administrators to configure an SMTP connection to send email for events configured to use email actions. SMTP can be configured on the server and/or the domain level. SMTP configuration at the domain level may be inherited from the server level. The SMTP configuration dialog is located in the "Events" tab in the "Domain Details" and "Server Details" pages. Simply click on the "Configure SMTP" button to launch the dialog.

### **SMTP Server Information**

- SMTP Server - the name or IP address of the SMTP server
- SMTP Server Port - the port the SMTP server is using
- From Email Address - the email address to use for the outgoing email
- From Name (optional) - the name to use for the outgoing email
- My server requires authentication - to enable authentication check this box
- This server requires a secure connection (SSL) - Some SMTP servers require that all incoming connections be encrypted to protect against possible attacks. If your server requires incoming SMTP connections to be encrypted, enable this option. The default port for encrypted SMTP connections is 465. Serv-U supports Implicit SSL only, and does not support Explicit SSL (port 587)

### **Authentication Information**

If your SMTP server requires authentication you must enter the following information:

- Account Name - the account name associated with authentication for the SMTP server.

**SMTP Configuration**

Configure Serv-U to use a SMTP server to send email for email notifications and events that use email actions. This configuration only needs to be set once for an entire domain.

**Server Information**

SMTP Server: mail.emailserver.com

SMTP Server Port: 465

This server requires a secure connection (SSL)

Use SSL Certificate when connecting to this server

From Email Address: smtp@emailserver.com

From Name (optional): SMTP Server

My server requires authentication

**Authentication Information**

Account Name: smtp@emailserver.com

Password: .....

OK  
Cancel  
Help

- Password - the password for the account.

## Serv-U Events

Serv-U enables the use of event handling which can perform various actions triggered by a list of selected events. Below is a list of actions available to administrators:

### Server Events

- Server Start
- Server Stop

### Server and Domain Events

- Domain Start
- Domain Stop
- Session Connection
- Session Disconnect
- Session Connection Failure
- Log File Deleted

### Server, Domain, User, and Group Events

- User Login
- User Logout

- User Login Failure
- User Password Change
- User Password Change Failure
- User Enabled
- User Disabled
- User Deleted
- IP Blocked
- IP Blocked Time
- Too Many Sessions
- Too Many Session On IP
- IP Auto Added to Access Rules
- User Added
- Password Recovery Sent
- Password Recovery Failed
- File Uploaded
- File Upload Failed
- File Download
- File Download Failed
- File Deleted
- File Moved
- Directory Created
- Directory Deleted
- Directory Changed
- Directory Moved
- Over Quota
- Over Disk Space

### **Creating Common Events**

Serv-U allows administrators to automatically create a list of the most common events. You may choose to create these common events using email and/or balloon tip actions. Simply click the "Create Common Events" button located in the "Events" tab. Select either the "Send Email" or "Show balloon tip" radio button for the action you want to be performed on the common events. If you choose to "Send Email" you must also enter a "To:" address where the events are to be sent.

### **Event Actions**

Administrators can select from three different actions that will be executed when an event is triggered. Below is a list of these actions:

- Send Email
- Show Balloon Tip (Server administrator only)
- Execute Command (Server administrator only)

### **Email Actions**

Email actions can be configured to send emails to multiple recipients and to Serv-U Groups when an event is triggered. To add an email address, enter the address in the "To", "CC", or "Bcc" fields. To send mail to a Serv-U Group, use the "Group" icon to add or remove Serv-U Groups from the distribution list. Email addresses must be separated with commas or semicolons. Email actions contain the parameters "To", "Subject" and "Message". Special variables may be used to send specific data pertaining to the event. Please refer to the list of these variables located under "System Variables".

### **Balloon Tip Actions**

Balloon tip actions can be configured to show a balloon tip in the system tray when an event is triggered. Balloon tip actions contain a "Balloon Title" and "Balloon Message" parameter. Special variables may be used to send specific data pertaining to the event. Please refer to the list of these variables located under "System Variables".

### **Execute Command Actions**

Execute command actions can be configured to execute a command on a file when an event is triggered. Execute command actions contain an "Executable Path", "Command Line Parameters", and "Completion Wait Time" parameter. For the "Completion Wait Time" parameter, you may enter the number of seconds to wait after starting the executable path. Enter a value of 0 for no waiting.

NOTE: any amount of time Serv-U spends waiting delays any processing that Serv-U can perform.

A wait value should only be used to give an external program enough time to perform some operation, such as move a log file before it is deleted (i.e., \$LogFilePath for the "Log File Deleted" event). Special variables may be used to send specific data pertaining to the event. Please refer to the list of these variables located under "System Variables".

### **Serv-U Event Filters**

Serv-U Event Filters allow administrators to control to a greater degree when a Serv-U event is triggered. By default, Serv-U Events trigger each time the Event occurs. The Event Filter allows events to be triggered only if certain conditions are met. For example, a standard Serv-U Event might trigger an email each time a file is uploaded to the server. However, using an Event Filter, Events can be triggered on a more targeted basis. A "File Uploaded" event can be configured to only send an email when the file name contains the string "important", so an email would be sent when the file "Important Tax Forms.pdf" is uploaded but not when random other files are uploaded to the server. Additionally, a "File Upload Failed" Event could be set to run only when the protocol used is "FTP", not triggering for failed HTTP or SFTP uploads. This is done by controlling the various variables and values related to the Event and evaluating their results when the Event is triggered.

### **Event Filter Fields**

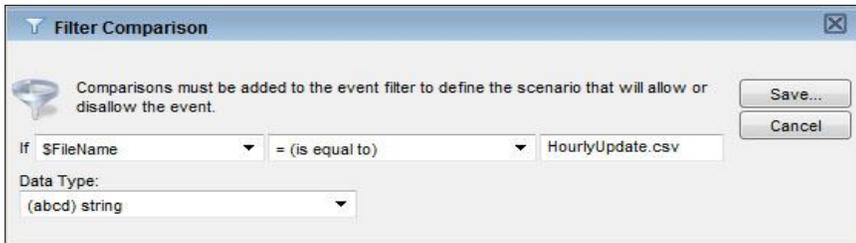
Each Event Filter has three critical values that must be set:

- Name - This is the name of the filter, used to identify the Filter for the Event.
- Description (Optional) - This is the description of the event, which may be included for reference.
- Logic - The "Logic" button determines how the Filter interacts with other Filters for an Event. In most cases, "AND" will be used all filters must be satisfied for the Event to trigger. The function of "AND" is to require that all conditions be met. However, the "OR" operator may be used if there are multiple possible satisfactory responses (for example, abnormal bandwidth usage of less than 20 KB/s OR greater than 2000 KB/s)

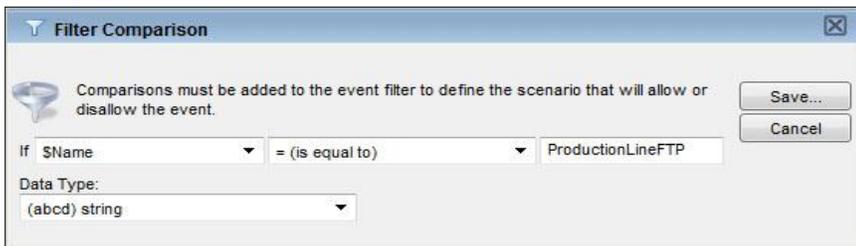
- Filter Comparison - This is the most critical portion of the Filter. The Filter Comparison contains the evaluation that must occur for the Event to trigger. For example, a filter can be configured so that only the user "admin" triggers the Event. In this case, the Comparison will be "If \$Name = (is equal to) admin", and the data type will be "string". For bandwidth, either an "unsigned integer" or "double precision floating point" value would be used.

### Using Event Filters

Event filters are utilized by comparing fields to expected values in the Event Filter menu. The best example is firing an Event only when a certain user triggers the action, or when a certain file is uploaded. For example, an administrator may wish to fire an email event when the file "HourlyUpdate.csv" is uploaded to the server, but not other files. To do this, a new Event can be created in the "Domain Details | Events" menu. The Event Type is "File Uploaded", and in the "Event Filter" tab a new filter must be added. The \$FileName variable is used and the value is HourlyUpdate.csv as shown below:



As another example, it might be necessary to know when a file transfer fails for a specific user account (perhaps one used by an automated process). To perform this task, create a new "File Upload Failed" event and add a new Filter. The filter comparison will be "\$Name", and the value to compare would be the username, such as ProductionLineFTP:



### Tracking Activity in Serv-U

ID	Type	User	IP Address / Hostname	Server Address	Location	Last Command	Client
7824	FTP	anonymous	209.19.63.4	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 10.0.0.0
7825	FTP	anonymous	81.86.41.134 (81-86-41-134.dsl.pipex.com)	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 12.2.0.0
7826	FTP	anonymous	113.88.110.176	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 15.2.0.2
7827	FTP	anonymous	65.112.151.226 (65-121-151-226.dia.static.qww)	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 14.1.0.4
7829	HTTP	anonymous	113.88.110.176	74.202.105.154:8021	\	HTTP_NOOP	Firefox/3.6.3
7830	FTP	anonymous	78.41.227.84 (227.41.78.in-addr.arpa)	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 9.1.0.3
7833	FTP	anonymous	78.41.227.84 (227.41.78.in-addr.arpa)	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 9.1.0.3
7837	FTP	anonymous	66.212.15.130 (user66-212-15-130.netcarrier.n)	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 15.2.0.2
7838	FTP	anonymous	69.38.233.2 (fw.kennethcole.com)	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 14.1.0.2
7839	FTP	anonymous	64.19.149.2 (mail.ultraflexx.com)	74.202.105.154:21	D:\inetpub	NOOP	FTP Voyager 15.1.0.3

Active Session Information			
User:	(7824) anonymous	Speed:	0 KB/sec
User Privilege:	None	Avg. DL speed:	0 KB/sec
IP Address:	209.19.63.4	Avg. UL speed:	0 KB/sec
Downloaded:	0 KB (0 files)	Location:	D:\inetpub
Uploaded:	0 KB (0 files)	Last Command:	NOOP
Time on:	00:09:17	Idle:	00:00:13
Since:	Thursday, April 22, 2010 10:01:08 AM		

The Server & Domain Session tab displays the current File Server session activity. When viewing the Sessions page from the Server, all connected sessions from all Domains are displayed. When viewed while administering a Domain, only that Domain's current sessions are displayed. From this page, an overall picture of the current activity on the File Server can be seen. In addition, individual sessions can be viewed including their current status, connection state, and transfer information.

To view the detailed information on a specific session, select the session. The Active Session Information group is populated with the details of the currently highlighted session. This information is frequently updated to provide you with an accurate and up-to-date snapshot of that session's activities.

Depending upon the type of connection made by that session, (e.g., FTP, HTTP, or SFTP), certain additional functions are available.

### **Disconnect**

Any type of session can be disconnected at any time by clicking the Disconnect button. Clicking the button brings up another dialog with additional options for how the disconnect should be performed. There are 3 types of disconnect options available:

- Disconnect - Immediately disconnects the session. Another session can be immediately established by the disconnected client. This is also known as "kicking" the user.
- Disconnect and ban IP - Immediately disconnects the session and bans their IP address for the specified number of minutes, preventing them from immediately reconnecting.
- Disconnect and block IP permanently - Immediately disconnects the session and adds a deny IP access rule for their IP address, preventing them from ever reconnecting from the same IP address.

When disconnecting a session from the Server Session view, an additional option is available called Apply IP rule to. This combo box allows you to select where you would like the temporary or permanent IP ban to be applied - for the entire Server or just the Domain the session is connected to.

In addition to disconnecting the session, the User account in use by the session can also be disabled by checking the box labeled Disable user account.

If the current session is using the FTP protocol, a message can be sent to the user before disconnecting them by typing it in the box labeled Message to user. This option is not available for HTTP or SFTP sessions as neither protocol defines a method for chatting with users.

### **Spy & Chat**

Any type of session can be spied on by clicking the Spy & Chat button or double-clicking on a session from the list. Spying on a user displays all the detailed information normally visible by highlighting the session, but also includes a complete copy of the session's log since it first connected to the File Server. This allows an administrator to browse the log and view all actions taken by the session's user.

If the current session is using the FTP protocol, additional options are available for chatting with the user. The Chat group shows all messages sent to and received from the session since beginning to "spy" on the session. To send a message to the session, enter the message text in the box labeled Message Content and click the Send button. When a message is received from the session, it is automatically displayed here.

NOTE: Not all FTP clients support chatting with system administrators. The command used to send a message to the server is SITE MSG. In order for a client to receive messages, the client application must be capable of receiving unsolicited responses from the server (instead of just discarding them).

### **Broadcast**

A message can be sent to all currently connected FTP sessions by clicking the Broadcast button. Sending a message via broadcast is equivalent to opening the Spy & Chat dialog to each individual FTP session and sending it a chat message.

### **Abort**

If a session is performing a file transfer, the file transfer can be terminated without disconnecting the session by clicking the Abort button. After confirming the abort command, the current file transfer for that session is terminated by the Server. Some clients (especially FTP and SFTP clients) may automatically restart the aborted transfer making it appear that the abort failed. If this is the case, try Disconnecting the session instead.

### **Server & Domain Statistics**

The Server & Domain Statistics pages show detailed statistics on the use of the Server for use in benchmarking and records keeping. Statistics viewed at the Server level are an aggregate of those accumulated by all Domains on the Server. Statistics viewed for an individual Domain are for that Domain only. The displayed information includes:

### **Session Statistics**

#### **Current Sessions**

The number of sessions currently connected

#### **24 Hrs Sessions**

The number of sessions that have connected in the past 24 hours

#### **Total Sessions**

The total number of sessions that have connected since being placed online

#### **Highest Num Sessions**

The highest number of concurrent sessions that has been recorded since being placed online

#### **Average Session Length**

The average length of time a session has remained connected.

#### **Longest Session**

The longest recorded time for a session.

### **Login Statistics**

These statistics can apply to either a domain or the entire server depending on the statistics currently being viewed. Login statistics differ from session statistics because they apply to a login (providing a login ID and password) as opposed to connecting and disconnection.

#### **Logins**

The total number of successful logins

#### **Logouts**

The total number of logouts

#### **Currently Logged In**

The number of sessions currently logged in

#### **Most Concurrent Logins**

The highest number of simultaneously logged in sessions

#### **Last Login Time**

The last recorded valid login time (not the last time a connection was made)

#### **Last Logout Time**

The last recorded valid logout time

#### **Average Duration Logged In**

The average login time for all sessions

Longest Duration Logged In

The longest amount of time a session was logged in

### **Shortest Login Duration Seconds**

The shortest amount of time a session was logged in

### **Transfer Statistics**

#### **Download Speed**

Cumulative download bandwidth being currently being used

#### **Upload Speed**

Cumulative upload bandwidth being currently being used

#### **Average Download Speed**

The average download bandwidth used since being placed online

#### **Average Upload Speed**

The average upload bandwidth used since being placed online

#### **Downloaded**

The total amount of data, and number of files, downloaded since being placed online

#### **Uploaded**

The total amount of data, and number of files, uploaded since being placed online

### **User & Group Statistics**

The User & Group Statistics pages show detailed statistics based on individual user or group activity. Statistics viewed for a user or group are for that user or group only. The displayed information includes:

### **Session Statistics**

#### **Current Sessions**

The number of sessions currently connected

#### **24 Hrs Sessions**

The number of sessions that have connected in the past 24 hours

#### **Total Sessions**

The total number of sessions that have connected since being placed online

#### **Highest Num Sessions**

The highest number of concurrent sessions that has been recorded since being placed online

#### **Average Session Length**

The average length of time a session has remained connected

#### **Longest Session**

The longest recorded time for a session

### **Login Statistics**

These statistics can apply to either a user or a group of users depending on the statistics currently being viewed. Login statistics differ from session statistics because they apply to a login (providing a login ID and password) as opposed to connecting and disconnection.

**Logins**

The total number of successful logins

**Logouts**

The total number of logouts

**Currently Logged In**

The number of sessions currently logged in

**Most Concurrent Logins**

The highest number of simultaneously logged in sessions

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The last recorded valid login time (not the last time a connection was made)

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Cumulative upload bandwidth being currently being used

**Average Download Speed**

The average download bandwidth used since being placed online

**Average Upload Speed**

The average upload bandwidth used since being placed online

**Downloaded**

The total amount of data, and number of files, downloaded since being placed online

**Uploaded**

The total amount of data, and number of files, uploaded since being placed online

## Save Statistics

User and group statistics can be saved directly to a CSV file for programmatic analysis and review. In order to save statistics to a file, first select the User or Group you wish to generate a statistics file for and then click the "Save Statistics" button on the bottom of the page.

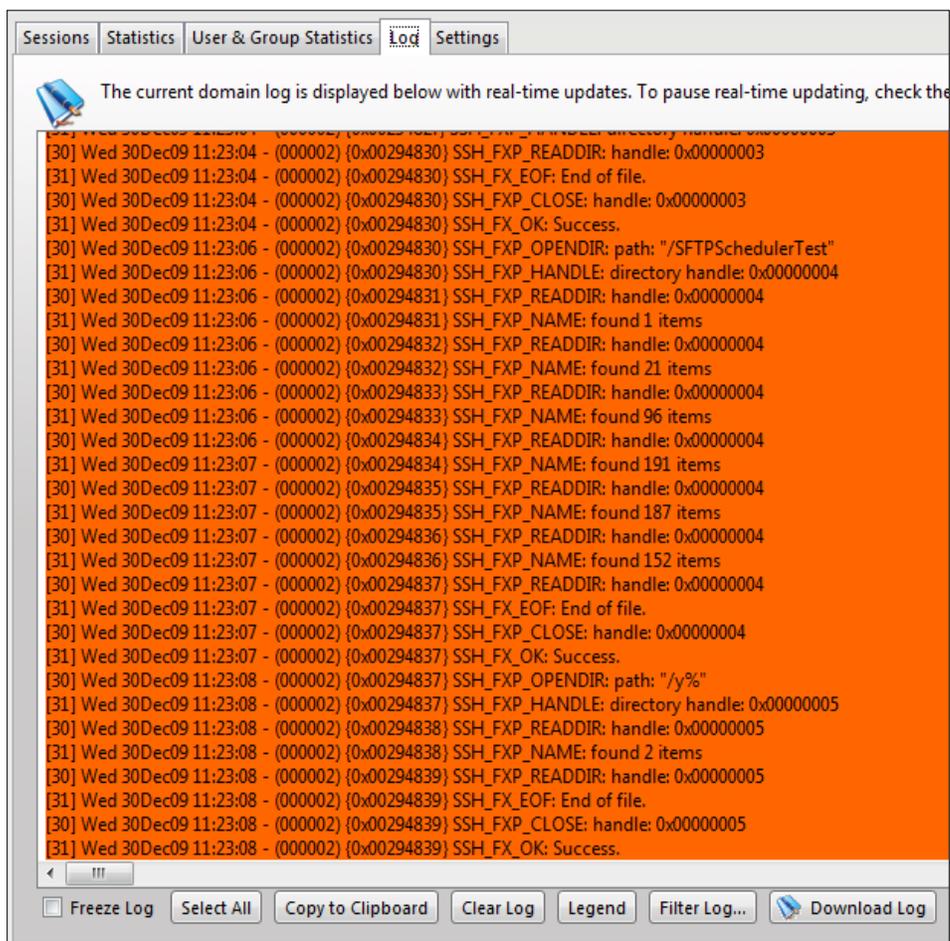
## Server & Domain Log

The Server & Domain Log tab shows logged activity for the Server or Domain.

The Server Log shows File Server start-up, configuration, and shutdown information. It does not show Domain activity information. To activity logs, view the appropriate Domain's log instead. In addition to status information about libraries, licensing, and the current build that is logged when the File Server is first starts, the Server Log also contains information about all Domain listener status, Universal Plug-and-Play (UPnP) status information, and PASV port range status. The information contained in the Server Log is also saved to a text file located in the installation directory that is named Serv-U-StartupLog.txt. This file is replaced each time the Serv-U File Server is started.

The Domain Log contains information about and activity pertaining to the currently administered Domain only. This includes the status of the Domain's listeners and any configured activity log information. For more information on the types of activity information that be placed in the Domain Log, see the Help section entitled Domain Log Settings.

Information contained in the log can be highlighted by clicking and dragging the mouse cursor over the desired portion of the log. Once highlighted, the selected portion can be copied to the clipboard.



## Freeze Log

Check this box to temporarily pause refreshing of the log. This is useful on busy systems so a certain section of the log can be highlighted and copied before it is scrolled out of view. Once finished, uncheck the box to resume automatic updating of the log.

### **Select All**

Clicking this button automatically freezes the log and highlights all currently displayed log information so that it can be copied to the clipboard.

### **Clear Log**

When the log has become too large for you to view at once, click this button to erase the currently displayed log information. Only log information received after clicking the button is displayed.

### **Legend**

To make viewing the different components of the log easier, each different type of logged message is color-coded for quick identification. Clicking this shows the legend in a freely positioned dialog. Drag the legend dialog to a convenient location so it can be used for reference while browsing the log.

### **Filter Log**

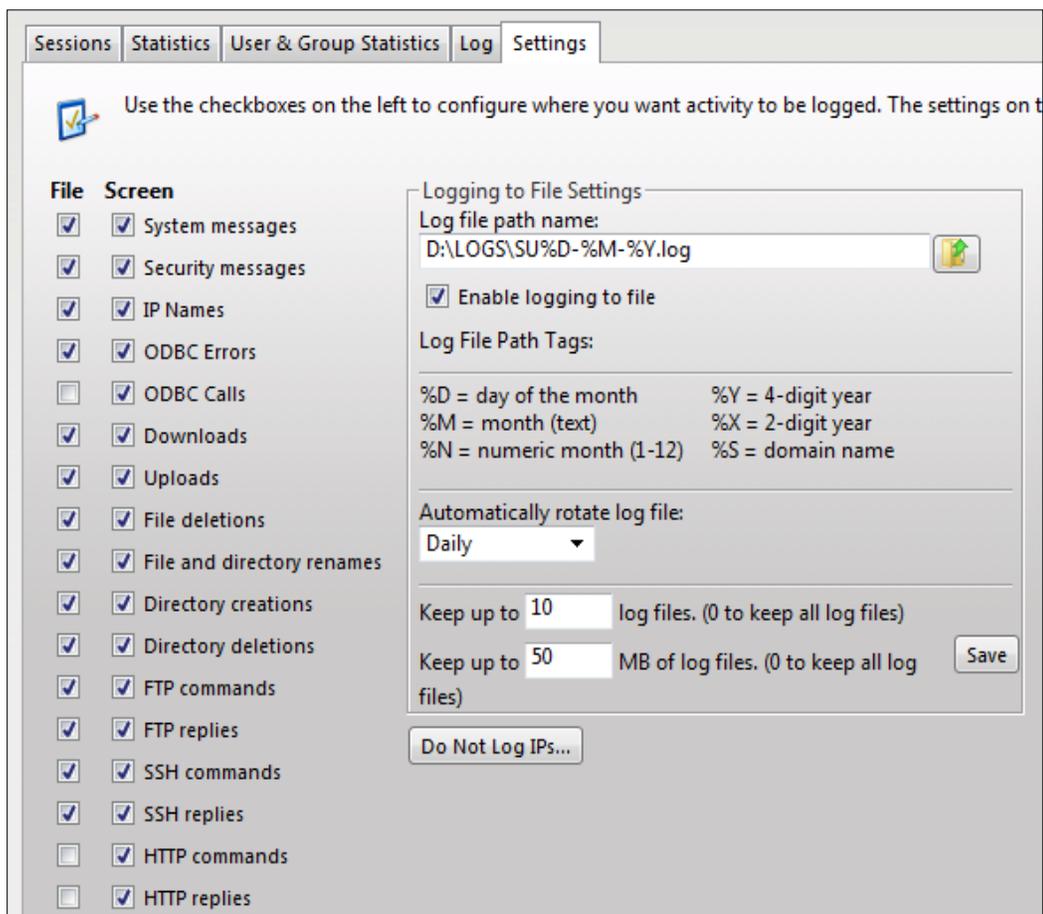
To quickly find and read through specific sections of the log, it can be filtered based upon a search string. Clicking this button brings up the Filter Log dialog. Providing a search string and clicking the Filter button refreshes the log to only display log entries containing the search string. To view the entire contents of the log again, open the Filter Log dialog and click the Reset button.

### **Download Log**

To download the full log file from Serv-U, click the "Download Log" button. If you have permission to download the file your web browser will prompt you to choose a location to save the file, or begin downloading the file automatically.

## **Configuring Domain Logs**

The Serv-U File Server allows for a great deal of customization in logging Domain events and activity. Logging is broken into two sections: File and Screen. To enable a logging option, check the appropriate box in the File or Screen column. When an option is checked from the "File" column, the appropriate logging information is saved to the specified log file if Enable logging to file is checked. When an option is checked from the "Screen" column, then the event is displayed in the log when viewed from the Serv-U Management Console. The log can be configured to show as much or as little information as you desire. After configuring the desired logging options, click the Save button to save the changes.



## Logging to File Settings

### Log file path

The log file must be given a name before information can be saved to a file. The Browse button can be used to select an existing file or directory location for the log file. The log file path supports certain wildcard characters as outlined below. Wildcard characters referencing the date apply to the day that the log file is created. When combined with the Automatically rotate log file option, wildcards provide an automatic way to archive Domain activity for audits, such as those required by HIPAA. The available wildcard characters are:

- %D - The current day of the month
- %M - The name of the current month
- %N - The numeric value of the current month (1-12)
- %Y - The 4-digit value of the current year, (e.g., 2009)
- %X - The 2-digit value of the current year, (e.g., 09 for 2009)
- %S - The name of the Domain whose activity is being logged

### Enable logging to file

Check this box to Serv-U to begin saving log information to the file specified in the Log file path. If this option is not checked, Serv-U does not log any information to the file, regardless of the individual options checked in the "File" column.

### Automatically rotate log file

To ensure that log files remain a manageable size and can be easily referenced during auditing, Serv-U supports the ability to automatically rotate the log file on a regular basis. By specifying a Log file path containing wildcards referencing the current date, Serv-U can rotate the log file and create a unique file name every day, week, month, or year.

### **Purge Old Log Files**

Serv-U supports the ability to automatically purge old log files by setting a maximum number of files to keep and/or a maximum size limit in MB's. Setting these options to "0" means the setting is unlimited and the limit is not applied.

CAUTION: Log files are purged based only on the current log file path name. Log file variables are replaced with Windows wildcard values used to search for matching files. For example:

C:\Logs\%Y:%N:%D %S Log.txt is searched for C:\Logs\????:?:?? \* Log.txt

C:\Logs\%Y:%M:%D %S Log.txt is searched for C:\Logs\????\*:?? \* Log.txt

C:\Logs\%S\%Y:%M:%D Log.txt is searched for C:\Logs\--DomainName--\????\*:?? Log.txt

Log variables are wildcarded like this:

```
%D --> ??
%M --> ??
%N --> ??
%Y --> *
%X --> *
%S --> *
%M --> *
%Y --> ????
```

Anything matching the path name can be purged. Use caution; it is best practice to place log files into a single directory to avoid unexpected file deletion.

### **Do Not Log IPs**

Serv-U supports the ability to specify IP addresses that are exempt from logging. Activity from these IP addresses is not logged to the location specified by the rule - the Screen, a File, or both. This is useful to exempt IP addresses for administrators that may otherwise generate a lot of logging information that can obfuscate Domain activity. Simply click the Do Not Log IPs button and add IP addresses as appropriate.

### **Database Support**

Serv-U enables the use of an ODBC database to store and maintain group and user accounts at both the Domain and Server levels. The ODBC connections are configured from two locations: Domain | Domain Details | Database and Server | Server Details | Database. Serv-U can automatically create all of the tables and columns necessary to begin storing Users and Groups in your database. Because Serv-U uses one set of table names to store its information, individual ODBC connections must be configured for each item which stores details in the database. In other words, the Server as well as each Domain must have a unique ODBC connection to ensure they are stored separately. To configure a database, follow these steps:

- Create an ODBC connection for Serv-U to use. SolarWinds recommends MySQL, but any database that has a Windows ODBC driver available can be utilized. Use a System DSN if Serv-U is operating as a system service or a User DSN if Serv-U is operating as a regular application.
- Open the Serv-U Management Console and browse to the appropriate Domain or Server database settings. Enter the Data Source Name (DSN), the login ID, and Password and click Save.

If the database connection is being configured for the first time, leave the Automatically create options checked. With these options checked, the Serv-U File Server builds the database tables and columns automatically.

For further customization, see the Serv-U Database Integration Guide at:

[http://www.Serv-U.com/integration\\_guide](http://www.Serv-U.com/integration_guide)

## Serv-U Gateway

Serv-U Gateway provides defense in depth to Serv-U deployments.

It acts as a reverse proxy in DMZ segments and prevents your Serv-U deployments from ever storing data in the DMZ or opening connections from the DMZ to the internal network. This type of architecture is essential to meet PCI DSS, managed file transfer and other high-security requirements.

These instructions walk you through the process of installing and configuring Serv-U Gateway on Windows.

### General Installation Process

1. [Install the software](#) - automatically installed as a service
2. [Add "Gateway" entries](#) in Serv-U Management Console
3. [Add "Listener" entries](#) in Serv-U domains to use the Gateway
4. [Test external connectivity](#) from file transfer clients

A video of the Gateway installation process is available [here](#).

Linux installation instructions are available [here](#).

- **Prerequisites**

Before proceeding with your installation, please ensure all of the following items are in place.

**Existing Serv-U Server and Connectivity** - You must have already installed Serv-U on a server that can make connections to Serv-U Gateway. These connections may be (and probably will) be through a firewall and can be restricted to a single TCP port (1180 by default), but you must have this connectivity in place before you can complete your installation.

**At Least One Serv-U Domain** - You must have at least one domain configured on Serv-U, and that domain should have at least one configured and active listener and at least one configured user.

**Current Version of Serv-U** - Serv-U must be at least version 12, and must be running the same major edition of software (e.g., "v12") as your Gateway.

**Separate Machine for Serv-U Gateway** - You must have a second machine (may be a virtual machine) on which you can install Serv-U Gateway.

- **Install the Software**

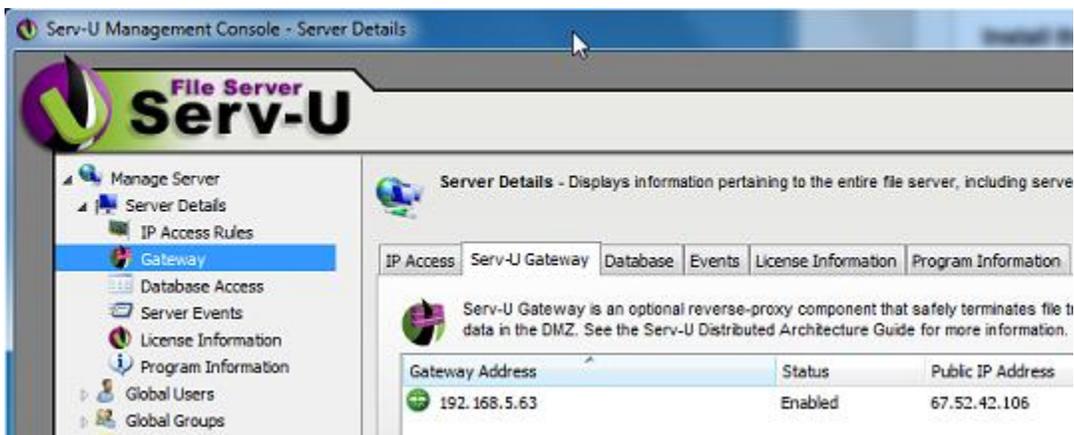
Perform these steps on the Serv-U Gateway machine.

- 1) [Download](#) "Serv-U-Gateway-Setup.exe" (both 32-bit and 64-bit editions are included)
- 2) Run "Serv-U-Gateway-Setup.exe" on your Serv-U Gateway machine (not your Serv-U machine) and click through the prompts.
- 3) Open your Control Panel and verify that "Serv-U Gateway" has been installed as a service and that the service has been started.

- **Add "Gateway" Entries**

Almost all Serv-U Gateway configuration is performed through the Serv-U Management Console. Serv-U Gateway does not have its own management console.

- 1) Open the Serv-U Management Console and navigate to "Server Details | Gateway".



2) Click the "Add" button to create a new Gateway entry.

- Gateway Address: the IP address of your Serv-U Gateway machine.  
*(If this machine has multiple addresses, pick the internal address that Serv-U will use to connect to the Gateway, not an external address that end users would access from the Internet. e.g., use "10.3.4.4", not "67.52.42.106")*
- Port: 1180  
*(Leave alone for now.)*
- Public IP Address:  
*(You may narrow this to only one binding later, but leave blank for now.)*
- Enable Gateway: CHECKED  
*(You may toggle this setting later, but leave this on for now.)*
- Description:  
*(Leave blank or put anything you want in here.)*

3) After you click "Save", the new Gateway should immediately show up in the list. Pay attention to the color of the icon.

- Great! Go to the next step.
- Serv-U is checking on the Gateway's status. Another status will appear in a few seconds.
- The Gateway is working but you are running dangerously close to the end of your trial or updates/support period. You should plan to buy or renew soon, but you may also move on to the next step for now.
- Something is wrong. Select the Gateway entry and then select "Properties" to find out why you cannot connect to your new Gateway.

If you "fix" something (e.g., open a firewall port, start a stopped Serv-U Gateway service) it will normally take a few seconds for Serv-U to realize that a change has been made. To speed up the process, select your Gateway entry, "Edit" it and immediately "Save" your Gateway settings again.

4) Apply a license, if you have it.

To do this, select the Gateway entry and then select "Properties" to open the "Properties" dialog. Copy your Serv-U Gateway Registration ID (not a Serv-U Registration ID) into the box and click "Save".

5) If you are testing on a private network, declare one of your Gateway's internal IP addresses as the IP address that will receive incoming connections.

NOTE: Only perform this step if you are testing Serv-U Gateway on a machine without a public IP address.

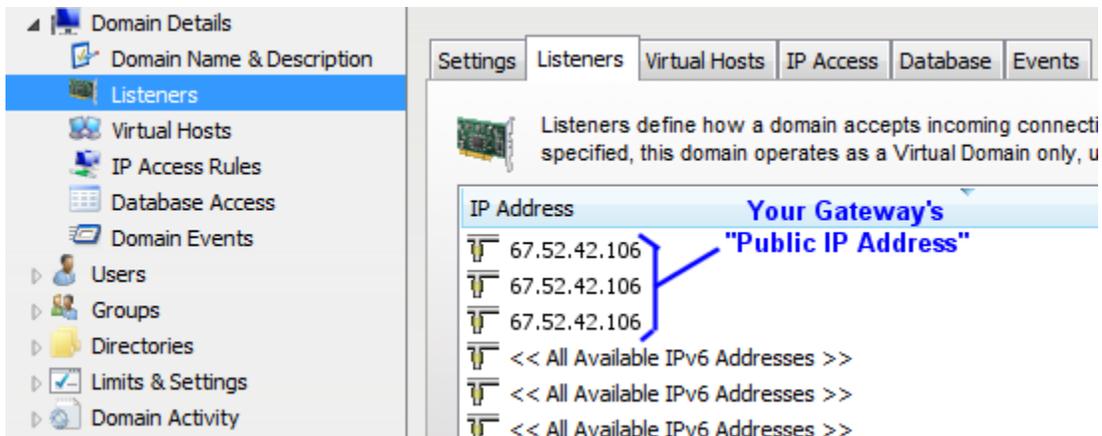
To force your Serv-U Gateway to listen on a private address:

1. Select your Gateway and click "Edit"
2. Type the private address that will receive incoming connections into the "Public IP Address" box.
3. Save and make sure the address you just typed shows up in your Gateway list.

- **Add "Listener" Entries**

You must add Listener entries to each domain that will use your new Gateway.

1) Go into one of your Serv-U domains and open "Domain Details | Listeners".



2) Before you add any Gateway Listeners, use an FTP client or web browser to sign on to one of your existing Listeners.

The reason you want to do this now is to make sure that the user you will use to test your Gateway has been enabled, has access to the right materials, hasn't been locked out, etc. Make sure you test against one of the IP addresses on your existing Serv-U server, not the Serv-U Gateway.

3) Click the "Add" button to create a new Listener entry.

- Type: Select the same type as the local Listener you just tested.  
(Again, this ensures that server configuration is not the issue if you encounter problems during testing.)
- IP address: Select an IP address on your Serv-U Gateway. Use an external or "Internet-facing" address if possible.  
(Use an internal address on the Serv-U Gateway only if you cannot test from "outside the firewall".)
- Port: Use the same port as the Listener you just tested.  
(Exceptions: Use a port other than "22" if you are testing SFTP on a Gateway deployed on Linux. Also use a different port if you are testing Gateway on the same machine as Serv-U.)
- Enable listener: CHECKED
- PASV IP Address (FTP/S only): Leave blank for now.  
(You may need to adjust this later, but work on basic connectivity first.)

4) After you click "Save", the new Listener should immediately show up in the list. Pay attention to the icon.

- Great! Go to the next step.
- There is a problem with the Listener. This could be due to a port conflict, due to a loss of connectivity with the Gateway or several other reasons. Check your Domain Log, then your System Log for more information.

5) Check "Server Activity | Server Log" to make sure the Gateway has gone live.

Look for entries like this:

```
GATEWAY on 192.168.5.63 port 1180 is running as a TRIAL normally. IP(s):
GATEWAY ERROR: GATEWAY on 192.168.56.1 port 1180 was NOT FOUND.
```

These are both BAD entries. The first entry shows a connected Gateway, but this Gateway will not be able to listen for any inbound connections because the "IP(s)" entry is blank. The second entry shows a configured Gateway that cannot be reached. If you see either of these entries, STOP and check the work you did in the "Add Gateway Entry" section.

Look for entries like this:

```
GATEWAY on 192.168.5.63 port 1180 is running as a TRIAL normally. IP(s): 67.52.42.106
SFTP (SSH) server listening on GATEWAY (192.168.5.63 port 1180) port number 2225, IP 67.52.42.106
```

These are both GOOD entries. The first entry shows a connected Gateway that is ready to receive inbound connections on a particular IP address. The second entry shows that a SFTP Listener configured to listen on port 2225 is now ready to receive inbound connections. If you see entries like this, your Gateway and its Listeners are fine. Please proceed to the next section.

- **Test External Connectivity**

Before you deploy to production (or perform a demonstration for management) you should perform an end-to-end connectivity test.

1) Test your first Gateway Listener.

Use the same client and same username you used to test your local Listener. Connect to the "Public IP Address" of your Gateway using the appropriate protocol and port for your first Gateway Listener.

2) Flip back to the Serv-U Management Console and open "Domain Activity | Domain Log" to examine your connection.

Look for entries like this:

```
SFTP (SSH) server listening on GATEWAY (192.168.5.63 port 1180) port number 2225, IP 67.52.42.106
(000001) Connected to 192.168.5.71 (local address 67.52.42.106, port 2225)
(000001) IP-Name: testserver.hidden.net (192.168.5.71)
```

These are all GOOD entries. The first entry shows that an inbound connection came in to an SFTP Listener on the Gateway. The second and third show that my Serv-U server (on 192.168.5.71) has bound a session to the incoming session from the Gateway.

3) If all is well, go to the next step. Otherwise, double-check you are really connecting to Serv-U Gateway or use the [troubleshooting guide](#) below.

4) Set up and test the rest of your Gateway Listeners by repeating the steps above.

Also repeat these steps if you want to add additional IP addresses to your Gateway. (Gateway Listeners cannot currently bind to multiple IP addresses.)

- **Software Update**

Every update arrives as a complete installation package. Simply run a newer installation package to update your Serv-U Gateway software.

No backup is necessary on your Serv-U Gateway machine because no configuration is held there.

- **Unattended Updates**

To perform an unattended ("silent") update, use the "-silent" parameter when you invoke "Serv-U-Gateway-Setup.exe" from the command line. Remember to run updates as a local administrator.

- **Troubleshooting**

Follow this procedure to find the source of a connection error reported in Serv-U's Gateway tab.

1. Check that Serv-U Gateway Windows Service is running.

2. Check that Serv-U Gateway is listening on TCP port 1180 and is bound to the expected IP address(es).
3. Check that network firewalls and routers permit TCP access over port 1180 from Serv-U to Serv-U Gateway.
4. Check that local firewalls permit TCP access over port 1180 from Serv-U to Serv-U Gateway.

If you do not see your Serv-U Gateway IP address listed in a new Listener's IP Address drop-down.

1. Ensure Serv-U is connecting to Serv-U Gateway OK. (E.g., a green icon in the Gateway list.)
2. Make sure EITHER:
  - o Your Serv-U Gateway machine has at least one public IP address
  - o You performed step #5 in the "Add Gateway Entries" section (because the Serv-U Gateway machine only has private IP addresses)

### • Helpful Commands

The name of the Windows Service is "Serv-U Gateway". Try:

- net stop "Serv-U Gateway"
- net start "Serv-U Gateway"

The default port Serv-U Gateway listens on is TCP 1180. Try:

- netstat -an | findstr 1180

The Gateway writes a limited bootstrap log here:

- C:\ProgramData\RhinoSoft\Serv-U Gateway\Serv-U-Gateway.txt

### Serv-U Gateway Tab

The Serv-U Gateway tab in Server Details displays all configured Gateways known to this Serv-U deployment. Serv-U periodically checks on every configured Gateway and displays a brief status message here.

Managing: (Server) | Logged in: (Local Admin) | Help

Server Details - Displays information pertaining to the entire file server, including server-wide access rules, license, and registration information.

Serv-U Gateway is an optional reverse-proxy component that safely terminates file transfer connections in the DMZ to avoid inbound connections or storing data in the DMZ. See the Serv-U Distributed Architecture Guide for more information.

Gateway Address	Status	Public IP Address	Description
192.168.5.62	Disabled	67.52.42.106	This is a DISABLED gateway example.
192.168.5.63	Enabled	192.168.5.63	
192.163.5.64	Enabled	67.52.42.101	This is a DISCONNECTED gateway example.
192.168.5.65	Enabled	67.52.42.102	This is a "GETTING STATUS" gateway example.

Server Up Time: 0 day(s), 07:36:47 | Sessions: 0 current; 0 past 24 hrs; 1 total | Up: 0 Bytes; Down: 0 Bytes | Domains: 1 of 1 online

## Gateway Address Column

The Gateway Address is the IP address on the Serv-U Gateway that Serv-U uses to communicate with Serv-U Gateway. This should almost always be a private IP address (e.g., "10.1.1.5").

A status icon also appears to the left of the Gateway Address. See the "Status Column" section below for more information.

## Gateway Status Column

The Status column shows a brief message to tell you what Serv-U knows about the Gateway's current health.

The icon in the Gateway Address column will change to reflect current Gateway status.

-  The Gateway is ready for connections. (However, the Gateway still needs Listeners to receive connections.)
-  Serv-U is checking on the Gateway's status. Another status will appear in a few seconds.
-  The Gateway is ready but you are running dangerously close to the end of your trial or updates/support period. You should plan to buy or renew soon, but you may also move on to the next step for now.
-  Something is wrong. Select the Gateway entry and then select "Properties" to find out why you cannot connect to your new Gateway.

## Public IP Address Column

The Public IP Address column will either show the IP address file transfer clients should connect to or a blank entry. If a blank entry is present that indicates that the Gateway will automatically pass a list of public IP addresses to Serv-U at runtime.

A private IP address will be in the Public IP Address column if a private IP address was explicitly configured in the Gateway. This will be the case if the Gateway has no public IP addresses, which is common during trials and situations in which the Gateway lives behind NAT (network address translation).

## Description Column

The Description column shows any note added to the Gateway configuration. It does not affect behavior in any way.

## **Buttons**

- The Add... button allows you to add new Gateway configurations. See "Serv-U Gateway Add/Edit Dialog" below.

- The Edit... button allows you to edit existing Gateway configurations. See "Serv-U Gateway Add/Edit Dialog" below.
- The Delete button allows you to delete existing Gateway configurations.
- The Properties... button allows you to view detailed status on and add licenses to existing Gateway configurations. This button only displays complete properties when Serv-U is connected to the Gateway. See "Serv-U Gateway Properties Dialog" below.

### **Serv-U Gateway Add/Edit Dialog**

The Gateway Address is the IP address on the Serv-U Gateway that Serv-U uses to communicate with Serv-U Gateway. This should almost always be a private IP address (e.g., "10.1.1.5").

The Port is the TCP port on the Serv-U Gateway that Serv-U uses to communicate with Serv-U Gateway. The default is TCP port 1180.

The Public IP Address field should either contain the IP address file transfer clients should connect to or a blank entry. A blank entry indicates that the Gateway will automatically pass a list of public IP addresses to Serv-U at runtime. A private IP address should be entered in the Public IP Address field if the Gateway has no public IP addresses. This is common during trials and situations in which the Gateway lives behind NAT (network address translation).

The Enabled Gateway checkbox is used to turn the Gateway on and off. The default is checked.

The Description is an optional note that describes the Gateway. It has no effect on any behavior.

### **Serv-U Gateway Properties Dialog**

#### **Status Panel**

The large icon here and a status message tell you if the Gateway is running, and whether or not it is running with a trial or commercial license.

The Available Public IP Addresses field contains a list of all the public IP addresses automatically detected on Serv-U Gateway. If a private address has been explicitly configured in the Gateway's "Public IP Address" field, then this field will display a message of "No public IP addresses found on gateway server" and this is normal.

#### **Install Information Panel**

This shows the version and build date of the Serv-U Gateway software running on the Gateway, the date Serv-U Gateway was installed or last updated and how many days are left in the evaluation period (if applicable).

#### **Registration ID Panel**

Copy and paste your Serv-U Gateway Registration ID (not your Serv-U Registration ID) into this large text field and click the "Save" button to apply a commercial license to your Serv-U Gateway software.

## License Information

The License Details tab displays the information contained in the current registration ID in use by the Serv-U File Server. If the installation is running in trial mode, then information on the number of trial days remaining is also included. Information contained on this tab includes:

### Name

The name associated with the current license

### Email Address

The email address associated with the current license

### Serv-U Edition

The Serv-U Edition that is enabled by the current license. See Serv-U Editions for more information

### Copies

The number of concurrent installations allowed by the current license

### Purchase Date

The date the current license was purchased.

### Updates

The date through which the current license allows free updates to the latest version. If running as a trial, the number of trial days remaining is displayed

### Edition Information

Displays enabled functionality and limitations of the licensed Serv-U Edition

### Additional Products

This dialog displays additional add-ons for Serv-U and whether or not they are enabled. These additional products include:

### **FTP Voyager JV (Sync and Side-by-Side)**

The FTP Voyager JV add-on allows users to transfer large files above 2GB in size, transfer multiple files, and synchronize folders using a familiar two-pane customizable interface. The FTP Voyager JV module uses HTTP or HTTPS for secure transfers.

## **Serv-U Gateway**

Serv-U Gateway is a reverse proxy solution that prevents data from being stored in a DMZ segment of the network, and prevents connections from being opened from the DMZ into the internal network.

### Registering Serv-U

To Register the Serv-U File Server, click the Enter License ID button on the bottom toolbar and enter your alphanumeric registration ID. If you have lost your ID, click on the Lost ID button for assistance in retrieving it. If you need to purchase an ID, click on the Purchase button to visit our web site to purchase an ID. Your license can be upgraded using the "Upgrade License" option, if applicable.

## System Variables

Certain configurable messages in Serv-U can be customized to include a wide range of variables as outlined in the list below. These variables are replaced at run-time with the appropriate value allowing up-to-date statistics and feedback to be provided to "logged in" Users. Some of the places where these variables can be used include in Event messages, a customized FTP command response, or a Welcome Message.

All available variables and a short explanation of each are included below. Statistical information, unless otherwise specified, is calculated since the Serv-U File Server was last started.

## Server Information

- `$ServerName` - The full name of the server, (i.e., Serv-U)
- `$ServerVersionShort` - The first two digits of the current version of the Serv-U File Server, (e.g., 12.0)
- `$ServerVersionLong` - The full version number of the Serv-U File Server, (e.g., 12.0.0.2)
- `$OS` - The name of the operating system, (e.g., Windows Server 2008)
- `$OSVer` - The full version number of the operating system, (e.g., 5.1.2600)
- `$OSAndPlatform` - The name of the operating system, (e.g., Windows Server 2008) and platform (e.g., 32-bit or 64-bit)
- `$ComputerName` - The name of the computer retrieved from the operating system, normally the same as the UNC name on a Windows network (e.g., WEB-SERVER-01)
- `$LogFilePath` - Retrieves the path to the log file (Log File Deleted Event only)

## Server Statistics

- `$ServerDays` - The total number of days the Server has been online continuously
- `$ServerHours` - The number of hours from 0 to 24 the Server has been online, carries over to `$ServerDays`
- `$ServerMins` - The number of minutes from 0 to 60 the Server has been online, carries over to `$ServerHours`
- `$ServerSecs` - The number of seconds from 0 to 60 the Server has been online, carries over to `$ServerMins`
- `$ServerKBUp` - The total number of kilobytes uploaded
- `$ServerKBdown` - The total number of kilobytes downloaded
- `$ServerFilesUp` - The total number of files uploaded
- `$ServerFilesDown` - The total number of files downloaded
- `$ServerFilesTot` - The total number of files transferred, essentially (`$ServerFilesUp` + `$ServerFilesDown`)
- `$LoggedInAll` - The total number of established sessions
- `$ServerUploadAvgKBps` - The average upload rate in KB/s
- `$ServerDownloadAvgKBps` - The average download rate in KB/s
- `$ServerAvg` - The average data transfer rate (uploads and downloads) in KB/s

- \$ServerUploadKBps - The current upload transfer rate in KB/s
- \$ServerDownloadKBps - The current download transfer rate in KB/s
- \$ServerKBps - The current aggregate data transfer rate in KB/s
- \$ServerSessions24HPlusOne - The total number of sessions in the past 24 hours plus one additional session
- \$ServerSessions24H - The total number of sessions in the past 24 hours

### **Domain Statistics**

- \$DomainKBup - The total number of kilobytes uploaded
- \$DomainKBdown - The total number of kilobytes downloaded
- \$DomainFilesUp - The total number of files uploaded
- \$DomainFilesDown - The total number of files downloaded
- \$DomainFilesTot - The total number of files transferred, essentially (\$DomainFilesUp + \$DomainFilesDown)
- \$DomainLoggedIn - The total number of sessions currently connected
- \$DomainUploadAvgKBps - The average upload rate in KB/s
- \$DomainDownloadAvgKBps - The average download rate in KB/s
- \$DomainAvg - The average aggregate data transfer rate (uploads and downloads) in KB/s
- \$DomainUploadKBps - The current upload transfer rate in KB/s
- \$DomainDownloadKBps - The current download transfer rate in KB/s
- \$DomainKBps - The current aggregate data transfer rate in KB/s
- \$DomainSessions24HPlusOne - The total number of sessions in the past 24 hours plus one additional session
- \$DomainSessions24H - The total number of sessions in the past 24 hours

### **User Statistics**

Applies to all sessions attached to the User account

- \$UserKBUp - The total number of kilobytes uploaded
- \$UserKBDown - The total number of kilobytes downloaded
- \$UserKBTot - The total amount of kilobytes transferred
- \$UserLoggedIn - The total number of sessions
- \$UserUploadAvgKBps - The average upload rate in KB/s
- \$UserDownloadAvgKBps - The average download rate in KB/s
- \$UserAvg - The average aggregate data transfer rate (uploads and downloads) in KB/s
- \$UserUploadKBps - The current upload transfer rate in KB/s
- \$UserDownloadKBps - The current download transfer rate in KB/s
- \$UserKBps - The current aggregate data transfer rate in KB/s

- \$UserSessions24HPlusOne - The total number of sessions in the past 24 hours plus one additional session
- \$UserSessions24H - The total number of sessions in the past 24 hours

### **Last Transfer Statistics**

Applies to the most recently completed successful data transfer

- \$TransferBytesPerSecond - The effective (compressed) transfer rate in bytes/s
- \$TransferKBPerSecond - The effective (compressed) transfer rate in KB/s
- \$TransferBytes - The effective (compressed) number of bytes transferred, formatted for display, e.g., 32,164
- \$NoFormatTransferBytes - The effective (compressed) number of bytes transferred, unformatted, e.g., 32164
- \$TransferKB - The effective (compressed) number of kilobytes transferred, formatted for display
- \$ActualTransferBytesPerSecond - The actual (uncompressed) transfer rate in bytes/s
- \$ActualTransferKBPerSecond - The actual (uncompressed) transfer rate in KB/s
- \$ActualTransferBytes - The actual (uncompressed) number of bytes transferred, formatted for display, e.g., 32,164
- \$NoFormatActualTransferBytes - The actual (uncompressed) number of bytes transferred, unformatted, e.g., 32164
- \$ActualTransferKB - The actual (uncompressed) number of kilobytes transferred, formatted for display
- \$CompressionRatio - The ratio of compression for the transfer expressed as a percentage of the expected amount of data transferred. For example, a value of 100.00 means the data could not be compressed. A value of 200.00 means the data compressed to half its original size.
- \$CurrentCompressedTransferBytes - The current effective (compressed) number of bytes transferred so far, unformatted, e.g., 32164 (FTP only)
- \$CurrentUncompressedTransferBytes - The current actual (uncompressed) number of bytes transferred so far, unformatted, e.g., 32164 (FTP only)

### **Date/Time**

- \$Date - The current date according to the Serv-U File Server, in the system's local date format
- \$Time - The current time according to the Serv-U File Server, in the system's local time format

### **Server Settings**

- \$MaxUsers - The maximum number of sessions allowed to login, which could be limited by the license
- \$MaxAnonymous - The maximum number of anonymous users allowed to login

### **Session Information**

Applies to the current session

- \$Name - The login ID of the attached User account
- \$LoginID – The session's login ID, operates like \$Name. \$Name can refer to the login ID for target user accounts but \$LoginID refers only to the login ID of the session.
- \$IP - The client IP address
- \$IPName - The reverse DNS name as obtained by performing a reverse DNS lookup on \$IP

- \$Dir - The session's current directory
- \$Disk - The local drive letter being accessed
- \$DFree - The amount of free space on \$Disk in MB
- \$FUp - The total number of files uploaded
- \$FDown - The total number of files downloaded
- \$FTot - The total number of files transferred, essentially (\$FUp + \$FDown)
- \$BUp - The total number of kilobytes uploaded
- \$Bdown - The total number of kilobytes downloaded
- \$BTot - The total number of kilobytes transferred
- \$TConM - The total number of minutes the session has been connected
- \$TConS - The number of seconds from 0 to 60 that the session has been connected, carries over to \$TconM
- \$RatioUp - The 'upload' portion of the applied ratio, "N/A" if not in use
- \$RatioDown - The 'download' portion of the applied ratio, "N/A" if not in use
- \$RatioType - The type of ratio being applied, either per session or per User
- \$RatioCreditType - The type of ratio credit granted for transfers, either per bytes or per complete file
- \$RatioCredit - The current transfer credit for the applied ratio, either megabytes or complete files
- \$QuotaUsed - Displays how much disk quota is currently being used in MB, "Unlimited" if no quota is in use
- \$QuotaLeft - Displays how much disk quota is available in MB, "Unlimited" if no quota is in use
- \$QuotaMax - Displays the maximum amount of disk space that can be used in MB, "Unlimited" if no quota is in use
- \$Protocol - The current protocol being used (FTP, FTPS, HTTP, HTTPS, or SFTP (SSH2))
- \$DomainName - The current domain that the session is logged into
- \$DomainDescription - The description of the current domain that the session is logged into
- \$TimeRemaining - The time remaining when blocking an IP address for an amount of time (available only in Event notifications)
- \$LocalHomeDirectory - The local home directory. It should only be used for events that need this specific information such as user creation.
- \$Password - The password associated with the user account. It is intended only for events. It should NOT be used for welcome messages.
- \$UserEmailAddress - The user's email address.
- \$FullName - The user's full name as entered into the "Full Name" field for a user account.
- \$SpaceFullName - The same as "\$FullName" with the addition of a space before the user's full name. Blank (no space or name) when the user's full name is empty.
- \$FullNameSpace - The same as "\$FullName" with the addition of a space after the user's full name. Blank (no space or name) when the user's full name is empty.

NOTE: Using the \$IPName variable inside of an event or sign-on message can cause a slight delay while the reverse DNS information for \$IP is retrieved.

### **File Information**

Applies to the last remotely accessed file, which is not necessarily the last transferred file

- \$PathName - Retrieves the full remote path
- \$FileName - Retrieves just the filename from \$PathName
- \$FileSize - Retrieves the size, in bytes, of the file from \$FileName
- \$FileSizeFmt - A formatted version of the file size, containing the thousands separator (comma or period depending on the computer's regional settings)
- \$FileSizeKB - A formatted floating point value representing the file size in KB
- \$LocalPathName - Retrieves the fully qualified local path name for an operation, as it relates to Windows. For example "C:\Temp\File.fid" instead of "/Temp/file.fid"
- \$LocalFileName - Retrieves the name of the file as it is stored on the local computer. See \$LocalPathName for details
- \$OldLocalPathName - Same as \$LocalPathName, but contains the path prior to renaming
- \$OldLocalFileName - Same as \$LocalFileName, but contains the file name prior to renaming
- \$OldPathName - Retrieves the remote path name prior to renaming
- \$OldFileName - Retrieves the remote file name prior to renaming

### **Current Activity**

- \$UNow - The current number of sessions on the Serv-U File Server
- \$UAll - The total number of sessions that have connected to the Serv-U File Server since it was last started
- \$U24h - The total number of sessions that have connected to the Serv-U File Server in the last 24 hours
- \$UAnonAll - The current number of sessions attributed to the anonymous user on the Serv-U File Server
- \$UAnonThisDomain - The current number of sessions attributed to the anonymous user on the connected Domain
- \$UNonAnonAll - The current number of sessions not attributed to the anonymous user on the Serv-U File Server
- \$UNonAnonThisDomain - The current number of sessions not attributed to the anonymous user on the connected Domain
- \$UThisName - The current number of sessions attributed to the connected User account

### **Web Client Parameters**

The Serv-U Web Client supports several parameters that can enhance log on in various ways. Special login links can be created in the Web Client that allow users to automatically send their Login ID and password, start audio files immediately, start in Thumbnail Mode and more. To specify these parameters, add a forward slash after the URL of the server, a "?" character and then these parameters with an ampersand "&" between them. The parameters supported in the Serv-U Web Client are:

- `user=username&password=password` – Allows the Login ID and password to be sent automatically to Serv-U, bypassing the need to log in. This can be very convenient for audio/video but should NOT be used for confidential or protected information.
- `thumbnail=1` – Starts the Web Client in Thumbnail Mode, showing thumbnails of all images.
- `slideshow=1` – Starts the Web Client in Slideshow Mode, showing a slideshow of all images.
- `playlist=1` – Starts the Web Client in media mode, playing audio/video files in order.
- `playmedia=1` – Starts the web client in media mode, playing a video files only.
- `dir=directory` – Specifies what directory to browse into immediately after login.
- `file=file` – Specifies a file to download immediately after login, defaulting in the home directory. If the "dir" command is used in conjunction with "file", the Web Client attempts to download a file from that folder.
- `sortcol=column` – Specifies the column by which to sort the files in the Web Client. This column accepts the integer values 1-3 for sorting by name, size, or time.

Some examples follow:

**`http://yourserver.com/?user=admin&password=test&file=weeklyreport.csv`** - This link will log in the user "admin" and automatically download the file called "weeklyreport.csv" if it exists.

- **`http://yourserver.com/?user=presentations&password=ads&dir=/onsite/&playmedia=1`** – This link will log in the user "presentations" and play the video files found in the "onsite" directory in order, perhaps for an on-site presentation of a product.
- **`http://yourserver.com/?user=dj&password=music&sortcol=3&playlist=1`** – This link will log in the user "dj" and automatically begin playing audio files in order of last modification date.
- **`http://yourserver.com/?user=familyreunion&password=reunion&slideshow=1`** – This link will log in the user "familyreunion" and automatically start playing a slideshow of images, a link that might be shared with family members after an event.

## Serv-U Integration DLL

The Serv-U File Server includes a fully-extensible Integration DLL which allows nearly every function of Serv-U from user login, authentication, password changes, and more to be delegated to external code via an easy-to-build DLL. The DLL is fully documented via code found in the “Serv-U Integration Sample DLL” folder in the Serv-U installation directory.

### Configuring the Integration DLL

The Integration DLL can be configured for both the Domain and Server levels. If an Integration DLL is defined for the Server level, it will also be used for all Domains that do not already have an Integration DLL defined. Integration DLLs configured at the Domain level will override those configured at the Server level. The Integration DLL is configured in the “Limits and Settings | Settings” menu at either the Domain or Server level.

