

# How to Restore a Microsoft SQL Database to a Point-in-Time

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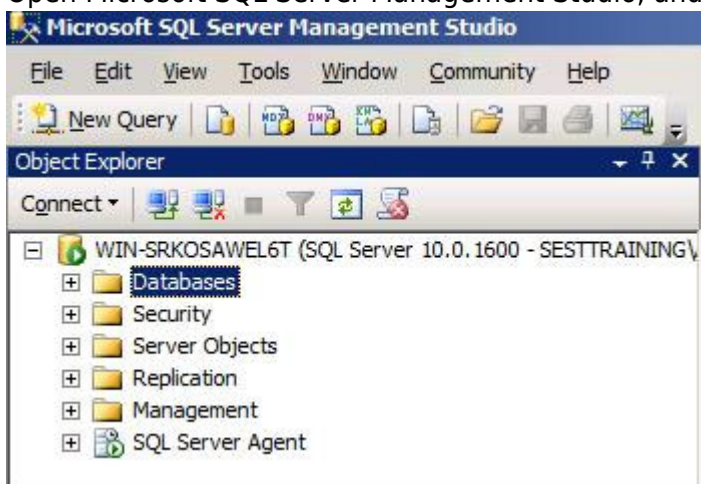
## Flat File

This article describes how to restore a SQL database to a point-in-time, and then restore the database to working condition using SQL Management Studio. Before completing this solution, you must first [Restore the Microsoft Database to a Flat File](#).

## Step 1. Restore the Database

Use the following steps to restore the database:

1. Open Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio, and navigate to **Databases**:



2. Right-click **Databases**, and click **Restore Database**. In the **Source for restore** section, select **From Device**, and click the browse button:

Destination for restore

Select or type the name of a new or existing database for your restore operation.

To database:

To a point in time:  ...

Source for restore

Specify the source and location of backup sets to restore.

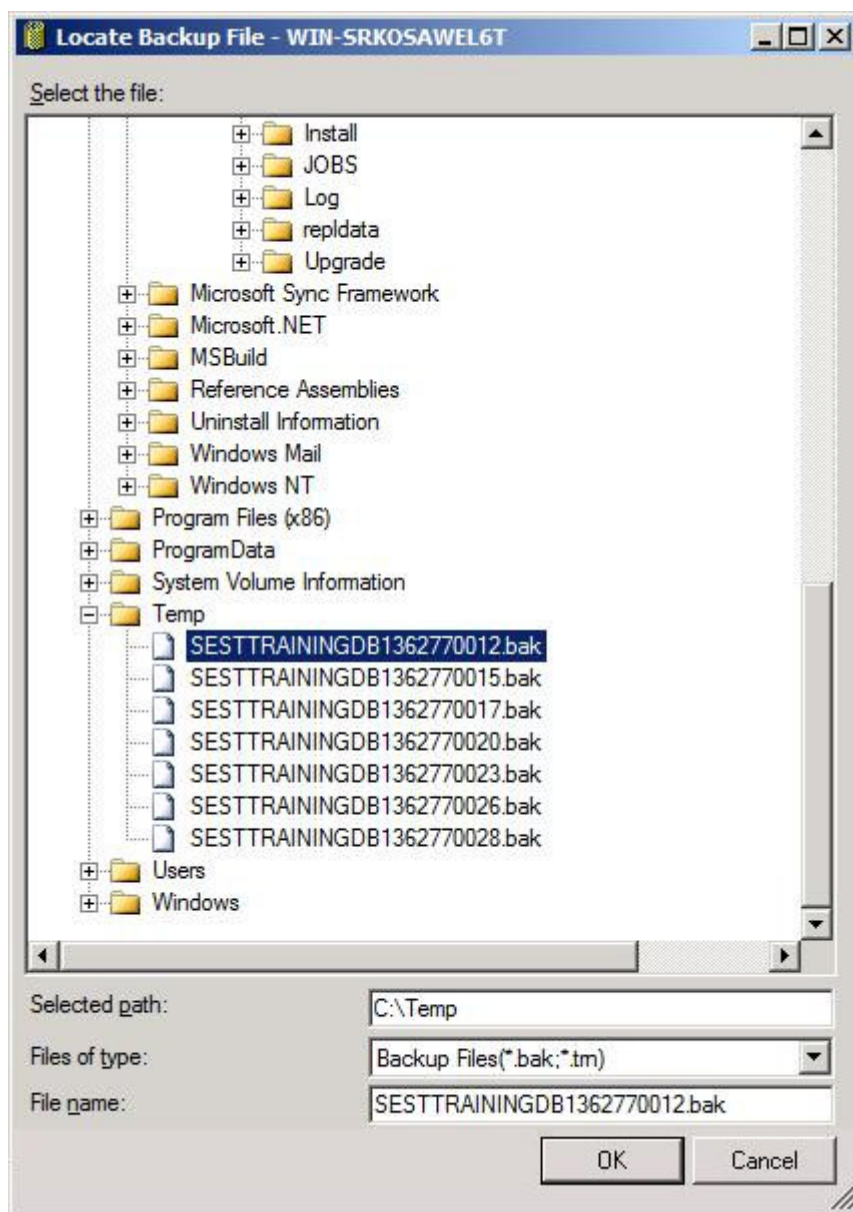
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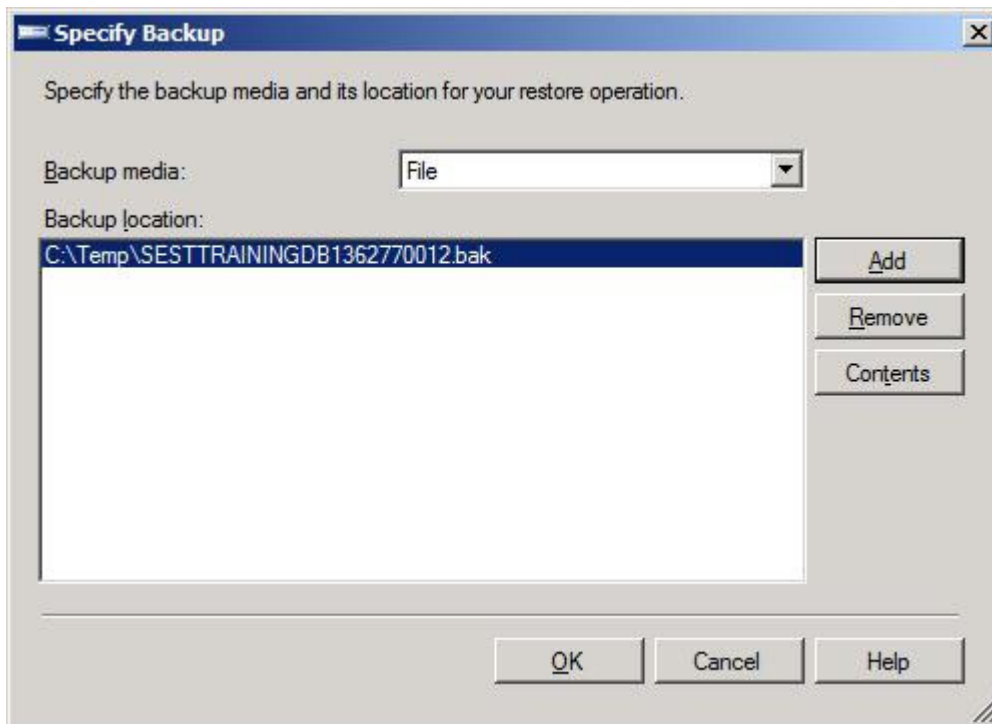
Select the backup sets to restore:

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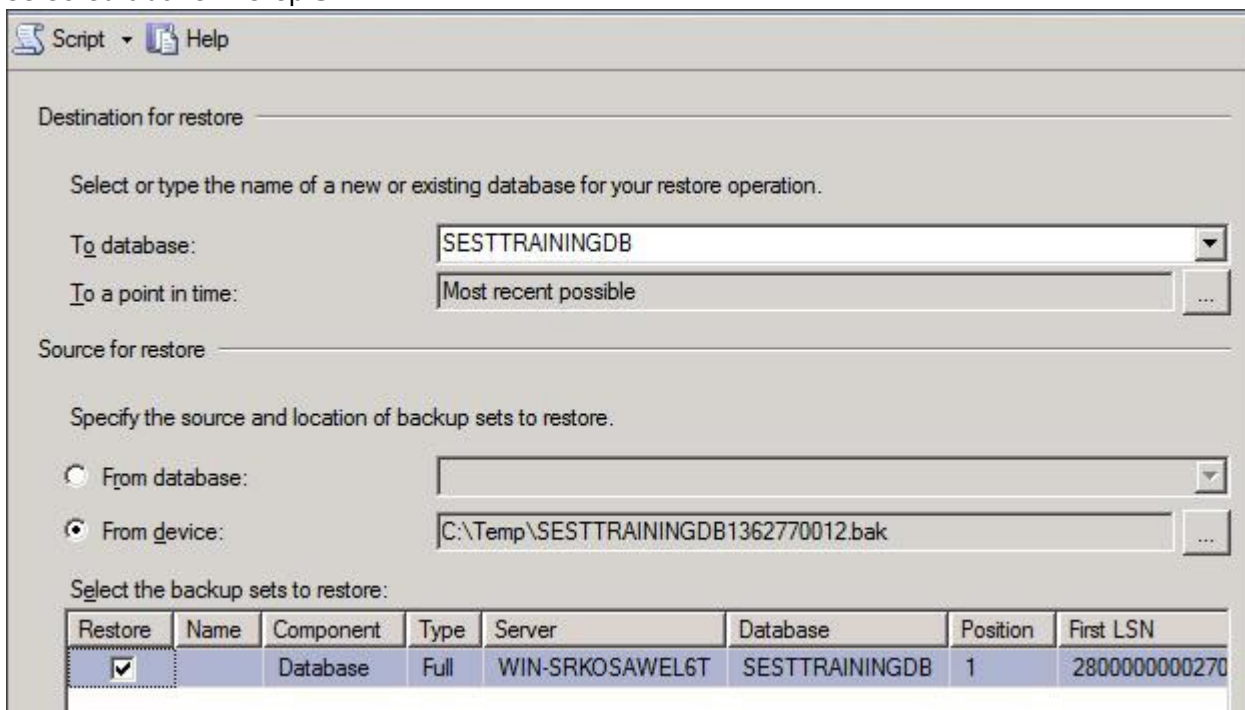
3. Click **Add** in the **Specify Backup** window. Browse to the location of your recently restored flat files. Choose the Full backup file which should be the first backup file in the list:



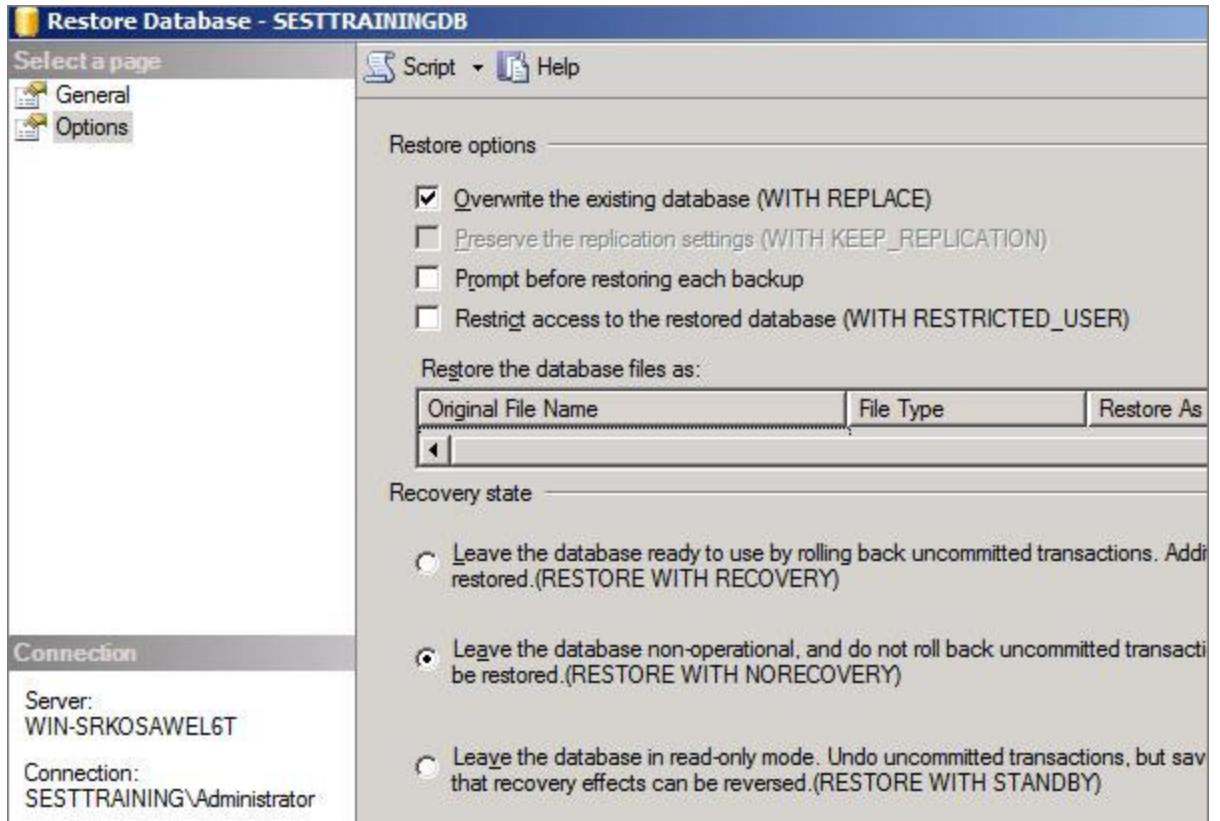
4. Click **OK**; the **Specify Backup** window displays:



5. Click **OK**. In the **Destination for restore** section, select the database to which you wish to restore, and in the **Select the backup sets to restore** section, select the backup file you selected above in step 3:



6. In the left pane, click **Options**, and select the following:
- In the **Restore options** section, select **Overwrite the existing database (WITH REPLACE)**, and leave the other options unselected.
  - In the **Recovery state** section, select **Leave the database non-operational, and do not roll back uncommitted transactions. Additional transaction logs can be**

**restored. (RESTORE WITH NORECOVERY):**

**Restore Database - SESTTRAININGDB**

Select a page: **General** | Options

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**Restore options**

- ☒ Overwrite the existing database (WITH REPLACE)
- ☐ Preserve the replication settings (WITH KEEP\_REPLICATION)
- ☐ Prompt before restoring each backup
- ☐ Restrict access to the restored database (WITH RESTRICTED\_USER)

Restore the database files as:

Original File Name	File Type	Restore As

**Recovery state**

- ☐ Leave the database ready to use by rolling back uncommitted transactions. Add restored. (RESTORE WITH RECOVERY)
- ☒ Leave the database non-operational, and do not roll back uncommitted transactions. Add restored. (RESTORE WITH NORECOVERY)
- ☐ Leave the database in read-only mode. Undo uncommitted transactions, but save that recovery effects can be reversed. (RESTORE WITH STANDBY)

**Connection**

Server: WIN-SRKOSAWEL6T

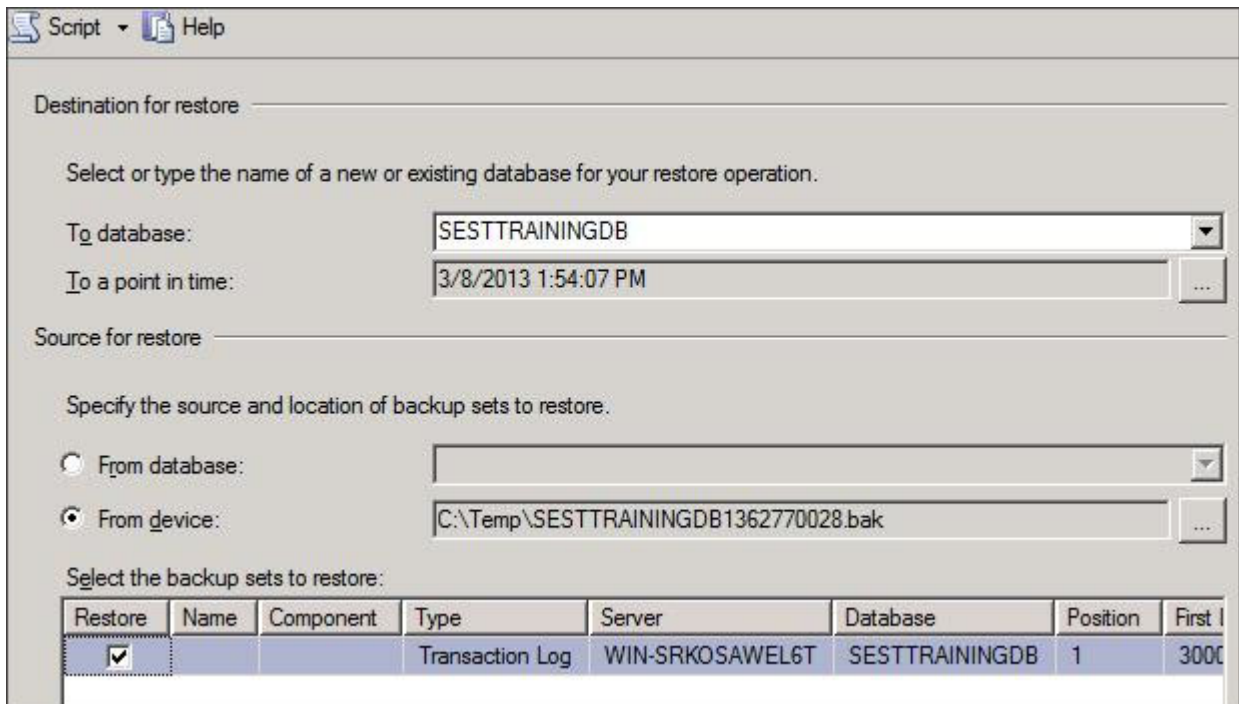
Connection: SESTTRAINING\Administrator

7. Click **OK** to perform the restore.
8. Complete these steps for each incremental backup file, including the **.tm** file, until you reach the incremental file containing the point-in-time file to which you wish to restore.
9. A "Restoring" message displays; you can now proceed with the next section, Step 2. *Restoring to a Point-in-Time*.

**Step 2. Restore to a Point-in-Time**

Use the following steps to restore the last incremental file containing the point-in-time:

1. In Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio, right-click **Databases**, and click **Restore Database**.
2. In the **Source for restore** section, select **From Device**, and click the browse button.
3. Click **Add** in the **Specify Backup** window. Browse to the location of your recently restored flat files, select the incremental backup file containing the point-in-time to restore to, and click **OK**.
4. Click **OK** in the **Specify Backup** window. In the **Select the backup sets to restore section**, check the backup file you added in the previous step.
5. In the **Destination for restore** section, select the database to which to restore:



Script Help

Destination for restore

Select or type the name of a new or existing database for your restore operation.

To database: SESTTRAININGDB

To a point in time: 3/8/2013 1:54:07 PM

Source for restore

Specify the source and location of backup sets to restore.

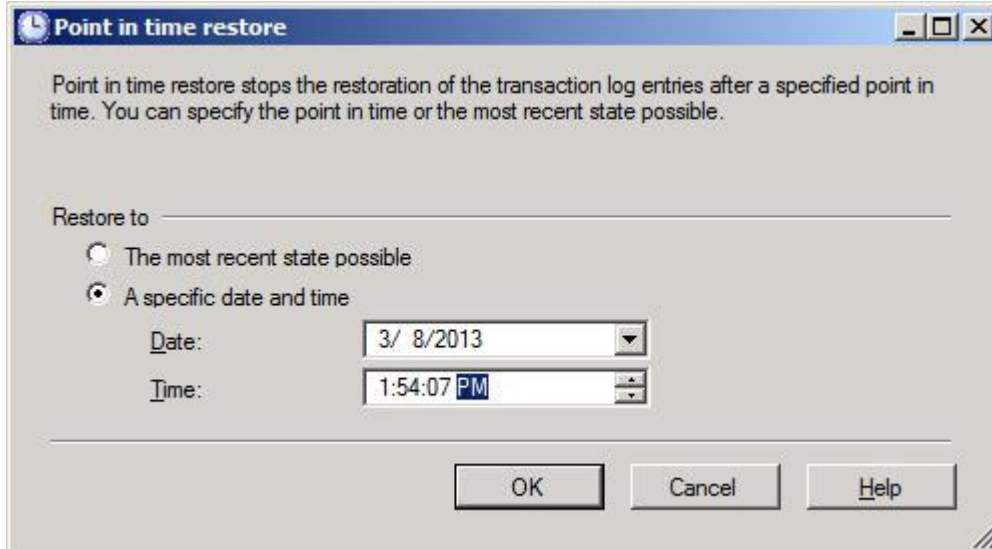
From database:

From device: C:\Temp\SESTTRAININGDB1362770028.bak

Select the backup sets to restore:

Restore	Name	Component	Type	Server	Database	Position	First L
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Transaction Log	WIN-SRKOSAWEL6T	SESTTRAININGDB	1	3000

6. In the **Destination for restore section**, click the browse button following **To a point in time**; the **Point in time restore** window displays.
7. Select **a specific date and time**, and choose the date and time to which to restore:



Point in time restore

Point in time restore stops the restoration of the transaction log entries after a specified point in time. You can specify the point in time or the most recent state possible.

Restore to

The most recent state possible

A specific date and time

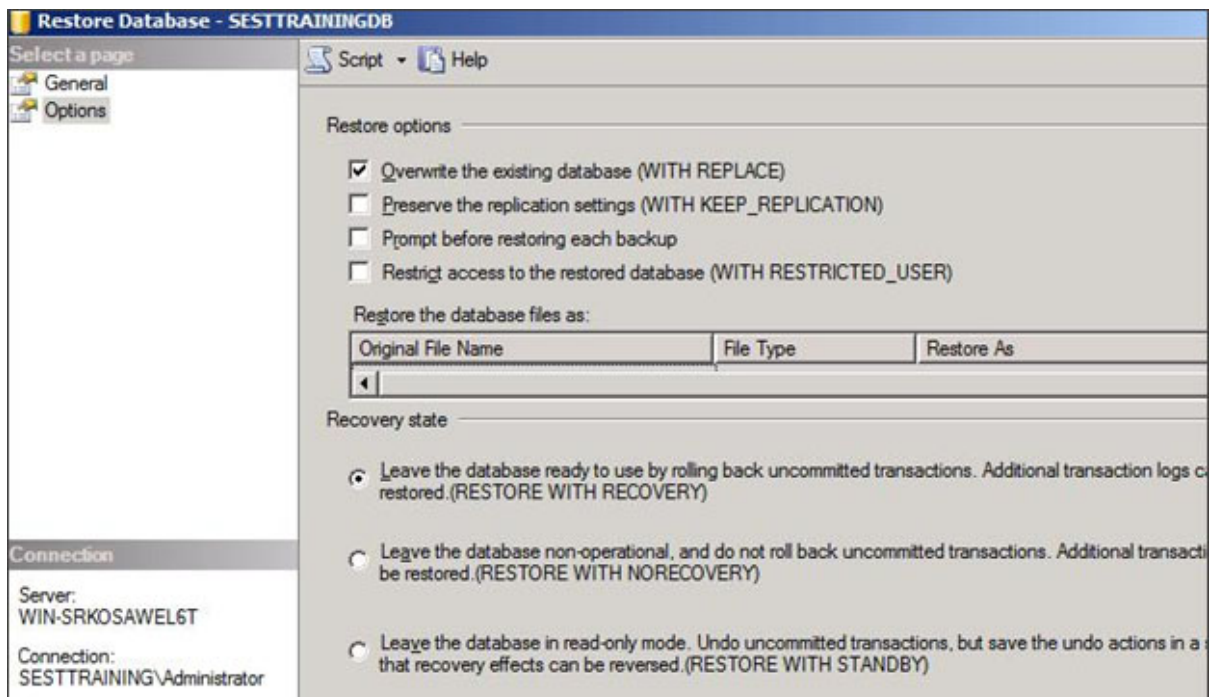
Date: 3/ 8/2013

Time: 1:54:07 PM

OK Cancel Help

8. Click **OK**. In the left pane, click **Options**, and make the following selections:
  - In the **Restore options** section, select **Overwrite the existing database**, and leave the other options unselected.
  - In the **Recovery state** section, select **Leave the database ready to use by rolling back uncommitted transactions. Additional transaction logs can be restored. (RESTORE WITH RECOVERY)**:





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Restore the database files as:

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**Recovery state**

- ☒ Leave the database ready to use by rolling back uncommitted transactions. Additional transaction logs are restored. (RESTORE WITH RECOVERY)
- ☐ Leave the database non-operational, and do not roll back uncommitted transactions. Additional transactions will be restored. (RESTORE WITH NORECOVERY)
- ☐ Leave the database in read-only mode. Undo uncommitted transactions, but save the undo actions in a log file so that recovery effects can be reversed. (RESTORE WITH STANDBY)

**Connection**

Server:  
WIN-SRKOSAWEL6T

Connection:  
SESTTRAINING\Administrator

9. Click **OK** to perform the restore. the restored database should display with only the changes up to the specified point-in-time.

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