

## Deleting VMware Standard Backup Data

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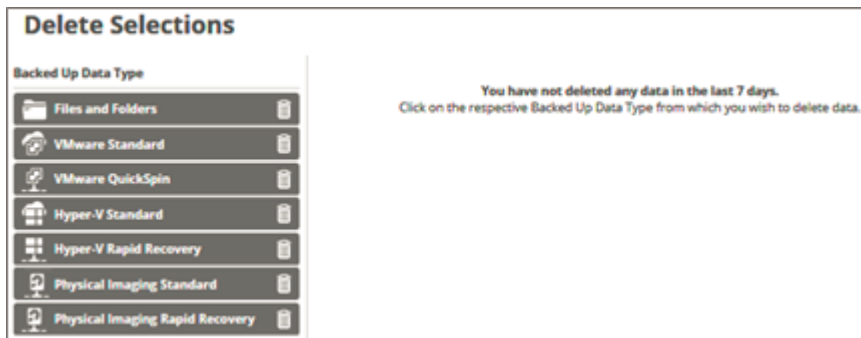
**CAUTION!** Deleted data is completely purged and can no longer be accessed or restored.

To delete a VMware Standard backup, perform the following steps.

1. Navigate to the Computer page. See [Navigating to the Computer Page](#) for instructions. The Computer page is displayed.



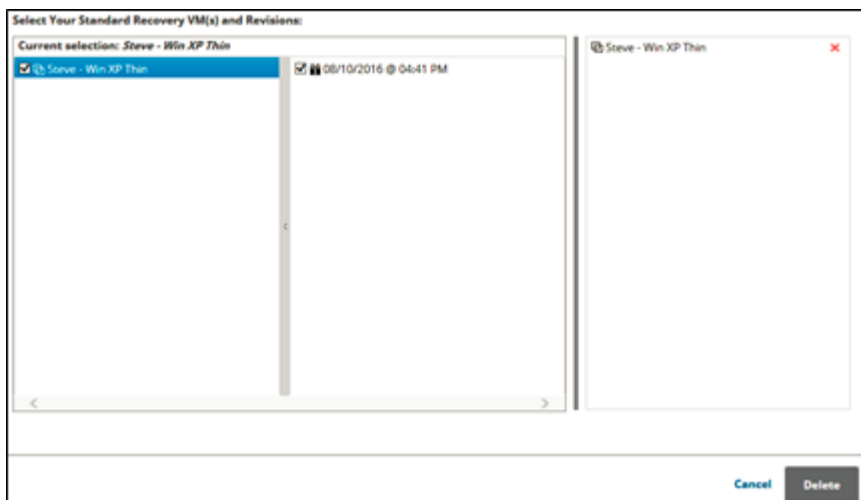
2. Select the **Delete** tab. The Delete Selections page is displayed.



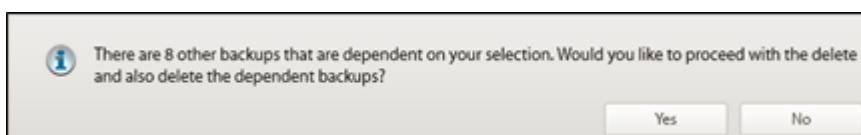
3. Select **VMware Standard**. The Delete page is displayed.



4. Select the VM from which you want to delete revisions.  
The selections for deletion are displayed in the right panel.



**Note:** If you click the arrow button next to the VM, a list of revisions is displayed. You can choose to delete specific revisions instead of the entire VM. If you select certain revisions to delete that other revisions (not currently selected for deletion) are dependent on, the following message is displayed.



If you select **Yes**, the dependent backups are also selected for deletion. If you select **No**, nothing is changed. The message is displayed until selections are made that have no dependent revisions.

5. When satisfied with your selections, click the **Delete** button.  
The Delete Confirmation pop-up is displayed.

You have chosen to delete **1 item(s)**, totaling **19.01 KB**.

**Retain backup data for 7 days.**  
Would you like to retain VM backup data for the next seven days? This option is useful if you will be backing up VMs on this machine and would like to use the existing blocks for de-duplication purposes. At the end of 7 days, this data will be deleted.

**Delete all de-duplication data.**  
Would you like to delete all de-duplication data that is currently not in use? This option is useful if you don't want to use existing blocks for de-duplication purposes anymore and you want to delete them immediately.

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**Are you sure you wish to delete?**

[Cancel](#) [Delete](#)

Select the check box of one of the options. See [VMware Standard Delete Options](#) for more information.

Click the **Delete** button.

The Delete Selections page is displayed with the latest status.

### VMware Standard Delete Options

VMware Standard backup sets use deduplication and block-level processing. For these backup sets, the following options are available on the Delete Selection screen:

- **Retain backup data for 7 days**
- **Delete all deduplication data**

#### Retain Backup Data for 7 Days

By selecting the **Retain backup data for 7 days** check box, you can retain deleted data in your Local Vault for deduplication purposes for seven days. At the end of seven days, this data is deleted from your Local Vault.

This option is useful if you are backing up VMs on this machine and would like to use the existing blocks for de-duplication purposes. At the end of 7 days, this data is deleted.

If you choose not to select this option, the data that you have selected is deleted from the Local Vault immediately.

#### Delete All Deduplication Data

By selecting the **Delete all deduplication data** check box, you can immediately delete any

deduplication data not being used. This option forces a block-level cleanup when the delete finishes.

This option is useful if you do not want to use existing blocks for de-duplication purposes anymore and you want to delete them immediately.

**Note:** You cannot select both check boxes at the same time; selecting one disables the other.

## Figures

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