

## Etere Supports Microsoft High Availability

Etere supports Microsoft SQL high availability solutions, including load balancing and failover, ensuring availability, reliability and responsiveness at all times.



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Microsoft SQL Server

Etere supports Microsoft high availability solutions that helps it to maintain a high level of availability and uptime at all times. It supports failover cluster and features a high level of fault tolerance.

### About Microsoft SQL High Availability

- Improves the availability of servers and databases
- Masks the effects of hardware or software failure
- Reduces the downtime of applications
- Maintains the availability of applications

### Always On Availability Group (AG)

- One or more user databases that fail over together
- An availability group consists of a primary availability replica and one to four secondary replicas that are maintained through SQL Server log-based data movement for data protection without the need for shared storage
- Each replica is hosted by an instance of SQL Server on a different node of the WSFC
- In the event of a failover, WSFC is leveraged to reconfigure a secondary replica on another SQL Server instance to become the availability group's primary replica
- The availability group's virtual network name resource is then transferred to that instance

### Always on Failover Cluster

- Leverages Windows Server Failover Clustering (WSFC)
- Provides local high availability through redundancy at the server-instance of SQL Server that is installed across WSFC nodes and across multiple subnets
- The FCI provides failover from one WSFC node to another if the current node becomes unavailable

### Always On Availability Groups

- An enterprise-level high availability and disaster recovery solution in SQL Server 2012
- Enables maximized availability for one or more user databases
- Requires that the SQL Server instances reside on Windows Server Failover Clustering (WSFC) nodes

### About Database Mirroring

- Increases database availability
- Supports almost instantaneous failover
- Maintains a single standby database or mirror database for a corresponding production database that is referred to as the principal database

### Log Shipping

- Log shipping operates at the database level
- Maintains one or more secondary databases for a single production database (also known as primary database)

### Windows Server Failover Clustering (WSFC)

- A group of independent servers that work together to increase the availability of applications and services
- Provides the infrastructure features that support the high-availability and disaster recovery scenarios
- Provides distributed metadata and notifications

- Provides resource management
- Provides health monitoring
- Provides failover coordination

#### **Failover Cluster Instance (FCI)**

- May be used together with an availability group to enhance the availability of an availability replica
- To prevent potential race conditions in the WSFC cluster, automatic failover of the availability group is not supported to or from an availability replica that is hosted on a FCI

#### **Recommended Solutions**

- In an instance of data protection through a third-party disk solution, the always On Failover Cluster Instance solution is recommended
- In an instance of data protection through SQL Server, always On availability groups solution is recommended
- In an instance of SQL server that does not support Always On availability groups, log shipping is recommended

#### **About Failover Policy**

- Configured at the WSFC node, the SQL Server Failover Cluster Instance (FCI), the availability group levels
- Based on the severity, duration and frequency of unhealthy cluster resource status and node responsiveness
- Can trigger a service restart or an automatic failover of cluster resources from one node to another
- Configured at the WSFC node, SQL Server Failover Cluster Instance (FCI) or the Availability group levels

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- Caching
- Storage tiers
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