

# Getting Started: Hyper-V Backup Plug-in

This guide can be used to quickly download and set up Hyper-V Backup Plug-in and start performing its basic operations in minutes.

## WELCOME TO HYPER-V BACKUP PLUG-IN

Data protection is the most important reason for virtualization. With Hyper-V Backup Plug-in you can enjoy the storage and backup software designed by the same vendor, provided with common interface and requiring zero absorption time.

We would like your first experience with our new solution to be satisfying and enjoyable that is why we created this Getting Started Guide. It contains practical information about downloading the software, generating license key and registering it.

## RECOMMENDED SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

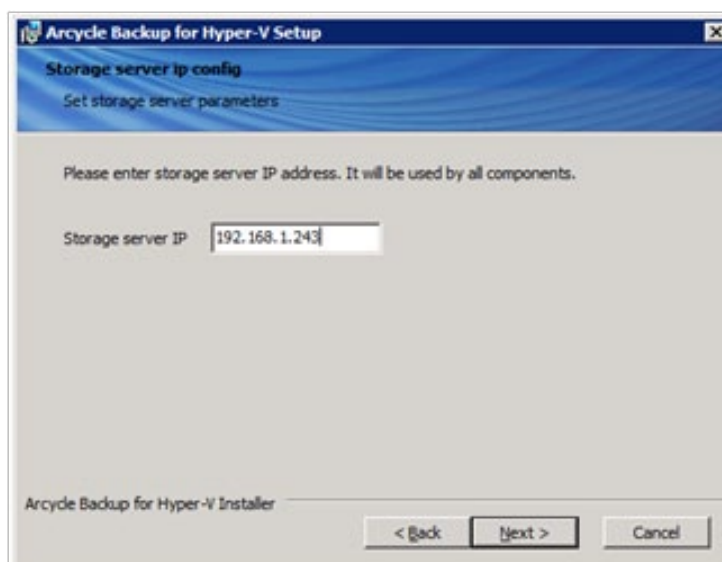
**The recommended OS** for running Hyper-V Backup Plug-in is Windows 2008 Server R2 (64 bit) with Hyper-V installed.

## INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

- Use the link to [download Hyper-V Backup Plug-in](#).
- Use the same link to generate License Key.

### To install Hyper-V Backup Plug-in:

1. Launch Hyper-V Backup installer on the Hyper-V host that you need to back up.
2. Accept the terms of the **License Agreement**.
3. Specify location where Hyper-V Backup Plug-in will be installed. By default, you are offered the Program Files folder.
4. In the **Storage server IP** text field, specify IP-address of the Hyper-V host where Hyper-V Backup Plug-in is being installed.
5. Click **Next** to continue.



Backup for Hyper-V Setup: Storage Server IP

6. Click **Install** to start the installation.

**Note:** Installation of an agent on the Hyper-V host does not affect the virtual machines data.

**Note:** Management Console of Backup Plug-in is available as a part of StarWind Management Console that can be installed on any machine within the same subnetwork.

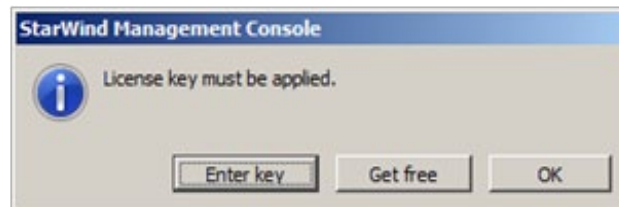
## LICENSING

Read the information about Hyper-V Backup Plug-in licensing [here](#).

### To generate Hyper-V Backup Plug-in license key:

1. Click the link to [generate License Key](#).
2. Save your license file locally on your computer.

**Note:** You will not be able to connect to the unlicensed storage server. The following message will appear any time you try to do so.

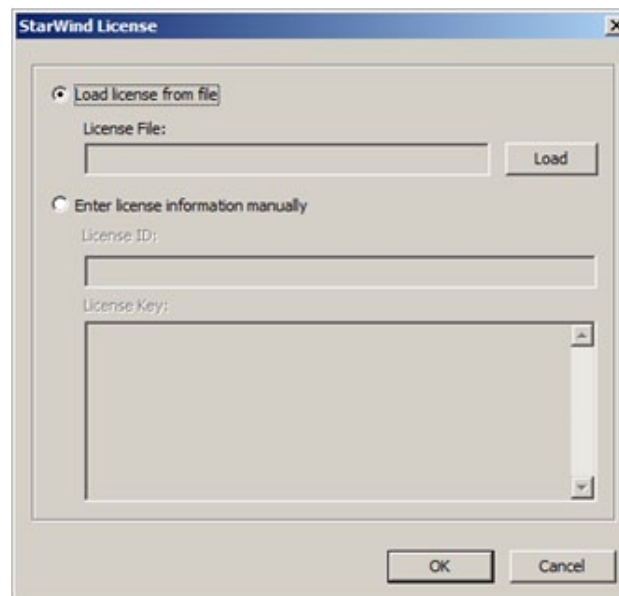


Message: License Key Must Be Applied

## REGISTRATION

### To register your license:

1. In the **StarWind License** window, click the **Load** button to load license from a text file that you have saved on your computer or select the **Enter license information manually** option button.



StarWind License: Load License from File

2. Click **OK**.

## USING THE PRODUCT

Now as you have installed the product and activated license key for it, you can immediately start using it. Please refer to the advanced Hyper-V Backup User's Guide for the detailed information on using the software.