

# [V7] ISSUE: MS SQL database backup fails with "Cannot start shadow copy, reason=null" error

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Product Version:  
AhsayOBM: 7.5.0.0 - 7.7.2.0  
OS: Windows

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## Problem Description

When performing a MS SQL database backup, the following error message is received in the backup report:

| No. | Type | Timestamp           | Log                                    |
|-----|------|---------------------|--|
| *   | info | YYYY/MM/DD hh:mm:ss | ...                                    |
| *   | ...  | ...                 | [Start] Backing up database...         |
| *   | erro | YYYY/MM/DD hh:mm:ss | Cannot start shadow copy, reason =null |
| *   | ...  | ...                 | ...                                    |

## Cause

This is a known issue with AhsayOBM version 7.7.0.0 - 7.7.2.0.

## Resolution

To resolve the issue, patch the AhsayOBM application to version 7.9.0.0 or above. The instructions can be found by [Clicking Here](#).

## Keywords

MSSQL Server, shadow copy, null

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