

## Available upgrade paths

Each component can be installed separately on different computers, the type of upgrade you will need to perform will depend on your environment.

The following table describes the conditions under which you would follow a typical or staged upgrade path:

Environment Description	Recommended Path	Reason
Simple environment, where the Management Console, the Repository, and the Management Service all reside on the same computer.	Typical	A simple environment can be upgraded through the setup program.
Distributed environment, where each SQL Safe Backup component resides on a different computer.	Staged	A distributed environment requires a staged upgrade to maintain backup continuity while each component is upgraded.
Multiple Management Consoles deployed to different computers.	Staged	A SQL Safe Backup installation with multiple Management Consoles requires a staged upgrade in order to maintain a connection with all Backup Agents while each component is upgraded.
Backup Agents from different SQL Safe Backup versions.	Staged	An environment that manages Backup Agents from different SQL Safe Backup versions requires a staged upgrade in order to maintain a connection with all Backup Agents while each component is upgraded.
Change control policies that require multi-phased upgrades.	Staged	An environment with stringent change control policies requires a multi-phased upgrade in order to test each updated component thoroughly before moving on to the next step.