Navigate the Desktop Console

Learn the basics for navigating the Desktop Console, the following table contains the steps and main features of SQL Safe desktop console:

☑	Follow these steps:
❑	Register the SQL Server instances you want to back up and restore.
❑	Deploy Backup Agents to your registered instances.
❑	*If you want to receive alert notifications through e-mail*, configure the e-mail settings.
❑	*If you want the option to use the InstantRestore feature to restore a database*, enable the InstantRestore service.
❑	Determine what your backup and recovery strategy will be.
❑	Determine whether you will perform manual backups or create policies to automate your backups.
❑	Determine which types of compression and encryption are best for your environment.
❑	Determine whether you will use log shipping policies as part of your recovery strategy.
❑	Ensure that you are able to restore the database. You can perform a full backup or test your configuration by running a verify-only backup. To perform a verify-only backup, run the Restore Wizard and select the **Verify only** option on the Recovery tab.
❑	You can also restore databases using the restore object level recovery option.
❑	Mount a Virtual Database from a database backup set.

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