


# Configuring notifications

The **Notifications** tab of the Backup Policy wizard allows you to choose from which backup status you want to receive alert notifications. Email notifications let you, and your staff, remotely monitor the status of the backups you have automated with this policy. The status of the backup operations determines the status of your policy. When your backups are successfully completed on scheduled, the policy is considered ok.

Choose the status you want to monitor, type the email address of each recipient, select the desired alert frequency for each operation, and then click **Next**.

 You must configure your mail server settings before SQL Safe can send e-mail notifications. Click **Configure E-mail** to check your settings. For more information, see [Configure e-mail settings for alert notifications](#).

## When is the email sent?

SQL Safe sends an email to the specified recipients when the selected operation status occurs. Because SQL Safe checks the status of your backup operations every minute, your alert notifications provide a real-time indication of the health of your service level agreements and disaster recovery plans for the SQL Server instances covered by this policy.

However, how often SQL Safe notifies about a specific status update depends on the notification frequency you select. For example, if you want to receive an email whenever a backup fails, even when the failures occur sequentially, choose to receive notifications every time the event occurs.

After defining your setting in this tab, click **Next** to [Define your settings for backup policies](#).

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