


# How the IR Service works

The InstantRestore Service manages the following properties, which are stored in the registry:

- Max number of concurrent hydrations
- Number of driver threads
- Large raw buffer IO size
- Hydration chunk sizes
- Decompressed block cache size
- Driver active IO list size



You must use the same Windows account for the Backup Agent and InstantRestore Service. During installation, you are asked to enter credentials for only one account and the other is created with the same information. If you manually change your account information, make sure you change it in the other service as well to avoid any issues.

## How do I enable or disable the InstantRestore Service?

SQL Safe includes the InstantRestore (IR) Service during an installation or upgrade. Users can enable or disable the IR components using an Agent. If an InstantRestore operation is in progress when a user attempts to disable IR components, SQL Safe returns an error.

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