ManageEngine ADSelfService Plus

Migration Guide



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Description

This guide will take you through the process of migrating the ADSelfService Plus installation from one machine to another.

For steps to back up the ADSelfService Plus database and restore it in the same instance, refer to this webpage.

Important:

- 1. Before you start the migration process, please update your ADSelfService Plus installation to the latest build from the Service Pack webpage.
- 2. Do not uninstall ADSelfService Plus from the old machine until you have confirmed that the new installation works correctly.

Note: If you have enabled high availability or load balancing in the old machine, follow the steps mentioned in the appendix in addition to the steps given below.

Steps to migrate your ADSelfService Plus installation

Step 1: Identify the database

- Open the ADSelfService Plus installation directory (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus).
- Navigate to the conf folder in the ADSelfService Plus installation directory (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\conf).
- **3.** Open **database_params.conf** file in a text editor, and locate the driver name to identify the database that is being used by ADSelfService Plus.
- 4. The version of PostgreSQL database should be the same on both the old and new machines. If the database of the existing installation is older than the new machine's database, contact the ADSelfService Plus support team for further guidance.

- 5. The version of PostgreSQL can be detected by running the command pgsql\bin>postgres.exe -V from the command prompt within the pgsql folder in the location where ADSelfService Plus is installed (usually C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus).
- **6.** If the backend database is MySQL or MicrosoftSQL, then contact the ADSelfService Plus support team for migration guidance.

Step 2: Back up the ADSelfService Plus database from the old machine

Method 1: Offline manual backup

- 1. Start the Command Prompt as an administrator by right-clicking **Command Prompt** and selecting **Run** as Administrator.
- Navigate to the bin folder in the installation directory (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus) by using the cd command.
- 3. Now, execute the command **backupDB.bat** to back up the database.
- A folder named Backup will be created at ADSelfService Plus installation directory (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\Backup) and it will contain the database back-up in compressed file format (e.g., OfflineBackup_20230926151025.ezip).

Method 2: Backup using the ADSelfService Plus admin portal

- 1. Log in to the ADSelfService Plus portal with admin credentials.
- 2. Go to Admin > Product Settings > Auto Backup.
- **3.** In the *Auto Backup* page, enter your preferred file path (By default the installation directory file path will be mentioned).
- 4. Click on Backup Now.
- A folder named Backup will be created at ADSelfService Plus installation directory (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\Backup) and it will contain the database back-up in compressed file format (e.g., 081224-1547.ezip)

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Step 3: Back up the necessary files

- a. Backup the ZohoCreator file: Copy the ZohoCreator.properties file present in ADSelfService Plus conf folder under the installation directory (Default location: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\conf\ZohoCreator.properties).
- **b.** Back up all patch files (Optional): Copy the patch folder present in ADSelfService Plus installation directory (Default location: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\patch).
- c. Back up all customized language files (Optional): Navigate to the installation directory, and copy the resources folder within. (Default location: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\resources)
- d. Back up the customized login page (Optional): Navigate to the adssp folder under the installation directory, and copy the html, images, resources, and styles folders (Default location is C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\webapps\adssp).
- Back up all SSL certificates (Optional): If you have enabled the HTTPS option for ADSelfService Plus in the old machine, then, navigate to the conf folder in the installation directory, and copy the server.xml, web.xml, and SSL keystore. (For example: server.keystore) files (Default location is C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\conf).
- f. Backup the MPM folder (Optional): If you have enabled the mobile app deployment feature, then, backup the MPM folder (Default location: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\MPM).

Note: The reason we are backing up folders from the old machine is because some folders can be lost during the migration process. Lost files, like the language or login agent-related files, should be restored in the new machine. If they are not restored, any customizations made to the language file or the login agent will not work correctly in the new machine.

Step 4: Restore the ADSelfServicePlus database in the new machine

1. Install ADSelfService Plus on the new machine. Note that the version, or the build number of both old and new installations must be the same.

Note: If you do not know the build number of your old ADSelfService Plus installation, contact our support team.

- 2. Stop the ADSelfService Plus, whether it is being run as an application or as a service.
- 3. If you have followed the steps under Step 3, then:
 - Paste the ZohoCreator.properties file under ADSelfService Plus conf folder under the ADSelfService Plus installation directory (Default location: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\conf\).
 - Paste the patch folder under the installation directory (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus).
 - Paste the resources folder under the installation directory (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus).
 - Paste the html, images, resources, and styles folders in the adssp folder. (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\webapps\adssp).
 - Paste the server.xml, web.xml, and the SSL keystore files in the conf folder (Default location: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\conf).
 - Paste the MPM folder under the installation directory (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus).
- Copy the customer-config.xml from the existing old conf folder, rename the file to new-customer-config.xml and place that in the conf folder of the new installation directory (Default location: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\conf).
- Copy and paste the compressed (ZIP) file (from Step 2) under the bin folder (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\bin).

- 6. Open the **Command Prompt** as an administrator (right-click **Command Prompt** and select **Run as Administrator**).
- 7. Navigate to the **bin** folder (By default: C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\bin).
- 8. Now, execute the following command:

RestoreDB.bat <offline backup file> -p <password> true

E.g.:restoreDB.bat 081224-1547.zip -p <password> true

The password for the database backup file could be one of two types:

- **Default password:** This is the reverse string of the filename. For the filename mentioned above, the password would be "7451-422180".
- Admin-configured password: This is the custom password that was configured in the admin portal before creating the database backup. The Change Password For Database Backup Files option under Admin → Connection → General Settings is used for this.
- 9. If you have forgotten the password to the backup file, but have access to the ADSelfService Plus installation directory, the encrypted password can be obtained from the customer-config.xml file (by default under C:\Program Files\ManageEngine\ADSelfService Plus\conf\customer-config.xml), and you can contact support@adselfserviceplus.com to decrypt it. If not, the backup will be inaccessible and a new backup will have to be created.

10. Start ADSelfService Plus.

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