

Swapfile location priority ...



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Is it possible to set the swap file location per host to a datastore on the host then if that runs out of space keep the swap file with the virtual machine? If not what happens when a swap datastore runs out of space? Tags: 3.5, swap



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Nov 19, 2005 **1. Re: Swapfile location priority** Jun 1, 2009 5:38 PM

If you are not able to create a vmkernel swap file either with the VMs other files or on separate storage you will not be able to start the VM -

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Aug 28, 2008 **2. Re: Swapfile location priority** Jun 1, 2009 10:01 PM

I suppose you mean VM swapfile.

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No, you can choose a different location on the single VM, or at cluster level.

If not what happens when a swap datastore runs out of space?

You probably cannot power on new VM (depending on the needed swap size).

Andre

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