

eBOOK

# Mastering Microsoft 365 Data Protection with Commvault



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# OVERVIEW

Despite the importance of Microsoft 365 to business operations, there is a growing disconnect in how to protect (and who is responsible for protecting) data within it. Many organizations hold the misconception that cloud service providers (including Microsoft) are responsible for BOTH administering the SaaS application and protecting the customer data within it.

## The reality? They're not.

Microsoft provides a highly resilient platform and goes to great lengths to secure data residing within Microsoft 365. However, like other cloud service providers, they follow what is known as the shared responsibility model, where they own the underlying infrastructure—and the customer is responsible for protecting their data. Failure to acknowledge the customer's role in data protection has introduced unmanaged risks to countless businesses as they often assume that the native tooling and default configurations are good enough. Data experts emphasize the need for a proactive data security strategy, and Microsoft recommends implementing third-party backup solutions like Commvault® Cloud.

## PROTECTING MICROSOFT 365 DATA:

### Your Responsibility, Our Expertise

Protecting Microsoft 365 data is your responsibility: don't do it alone. Commvault delivers trusted data protection for your Microsoft 365 data. You get the best enterprise-grade protection with the ease, simplicity, and scale of SaaS, which gives you confidence that your Microsoft 365 data is secure.

# MUST-HAVE FEATURES FOR EFFICIENT PROTECTION

Efficiency is always a core business priority, whether in resource allocation, cost reduction, or other ways. For efficient data protection, you need quick, easy access to all your active, archived, or deleted Microsoft 365 data. Commvault Cloud Backup & Recovery for M365 includes advanced features to smooth your data protection operations.



## AUTOMATED BACKUPS

With the sheer number of data transactions, continuing to manage manual data backups no longer makes sense. Automating your daily backups to the cloud mitigates data loss, provides your business with cost-effective, long-term retention, and gives you better peace of mind.



## GRANULAR SEARCH AND RECOVERY

You need flexible ways to locate and recover data. With metadata search across your files, sites, and communications, you can pinpoint data of interest. Paired with point-in-time and out-of-place restore options, admins can easily control the version or specific location to restore an item.



## AIR-GAPPED DATA COPIES

Air-gapped data copies reduce the threat of digital attacks. Data is isolated outside of source environments in a separate security domain so that data breaches of production environments do not impact backup data.



## POLICY-BASED RETENTION

When it comes to maintaining compliance, you need consistency and repeatable processes. Establishing policy-based retention is a way to help you achieve this for your data backup and recovery. Commvault Cloud allows you to apply retention policies to the overall data backup strategy, to make certain data follows essential guidelines.



## HIGH-SPEED BULK RESTORES

Commvault Cloud integrates with Microsoft 365 Backup Storage, allowing fast point-in-time recovery of mission-critical M365 workloads and data.



# COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE FOR MICROSOFT 365

What good is a backup solution covering only one piece of your Microsoft 365 solution? With Microsoft 365 encompassing an abundance of critical data—from emails and files to communications and sites—it's essential that your data backup taps into as much of this data as possible.

## Beyond the Basics



Commvault Cloud offers in-depth coverage of data living across Microsoft 365, including Exchange Online, SharePoint Online, OneDrive for Business, and Teams. Make certain that no application is left behind and that your invaluable productivity data is comprehensively protected from data loss and attack. With built-in auto-discovery of users, Commvault Cloud automatically discovers and protects new users and data as you scale.



# SAAS THAT SAVES

Commvault Cloud offers cost-effective and industry trusted protection without the complexity. Cloud-to-Cloud data protection is proven to reduce costs, decrease overhead, and eliminate headaches—so you only pay for what you need. You save on:



## Robust Protection Without Compromise

SaaS doesn't mean sacrifice. Although the simple consumption model varies from installed software – you don't have to compromise on protection.

Built on an industry-leading platform with the power of Microsoft Azure, Commvault Cloud offers a multi-layered approach to cyber resilience and security. With hardened security protocols built-in (such as multifactor authentication, advanced data encryption, and zero-trust user access controls), Commvault Cloud helps protect systems and data from unwarranted access. Data backup copies are stored in air-gapped, isolated locations (outside of source data), to support immutability, availability, and protection from malicious attacks.



### Infrastructure

No hardware, infrastructure, or large upfront capital expenditures



### Administrative Time

Simplified deployment and management for administrations



### Compute & Network

Fully hosted, vendor managed network and bandwidth



### Storage

Zero ingress or egress fees — with cloud storage and extended retention built-in



### Maintenance & Support

Hassle-free software maintenance with automatic updates, product release and in-app support



### Flexible subscriptions

Pay-as-you-go subscription model, with zero licensing fees

Getting Commvault Cloud Backup & Recovery for Microsoft 365 up and running was virtually done in minutes. This is the customer experience that we were expecting a SaaS-based backup solution would give us.”

**Alain Rodrigues**

Head of Services Management Office, [Evolutio](#)



# SCALABILITY

Businesses continually strive for more—more customers, revenue, and growth. These changes also affect the operational side. When you consider all the data generated on a typical day, you can understand the magnitude and importance of scalability.

## Keeping up with data growth

Historically, companies relied on in-house hardware for data backup, a significant part of their capital and operating expenses. However, acquiring additional hardware became a substantial financial burden as data volumes increased. Using a 100% SaaS-delivered solution like Commvault Cloud alleviates these pressures by removing the need for physical hardware and ongoing maintenance costs.

Commvault Cloud is designed with scalability in mind, offering bundled storage and extended retention options. Our flexible subscription model allows you to adjust your services based on your current needs while providing the ability to expand capacity easily as your business grows. This means you can effortlessly scale from 10 to 10,000 users without worrying about performance, storage, or retention limitations.

Embrace a solution that grows with you so that as your business expands, your data protection capabilities scale seamlessly alongside it.

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## Take the next step

Simplify and save with Commvault's cloud-delivered SaaS cyber protection. Experience cost and complexity reduction with our hassle-free deployment, hands-off maintenance, and no big upfront investments required. Cyber resilience for wherever your data lives.

Get more value from your data and gain true cyber resilience without compromising your business. Visit [commvault.com](https://commvault.com) and [contact us](#) for more information.