

Question

We have Windows and UNIX machines on the same network, and they do not share storage devices. Do I now have to mount NFS devices for Replicator?

Answer

You do not have to mount NFS devices for Replicator's benefit. Replicator is not interested in file content or structure. Through the FTP facilities of UNIX machines and the SMB facilities of Windows machines, Replicator can read all directory structures and associated attributes. When Replicator replicates data, it replicates not only the data but its original directory tree location and its attributes.

To retrieve data, Replicator utilizes your user name and password to point your browser to your data. Once you select the data, the retrieval process is exactly the same as you use when downloading files from the Web. You even define where you want the file to go and the name by which you want the file to be known an important function when retrieving historical data.