

# Maximize Performance and Minimize Costs in Your SharePoint Environment

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**1. Can I use a policy to migrate inactive data to an archive for destruction?**

Yes. Before policies are created, the administrator must define what “inactive data” means to their organization. For example, data that is 90 days old or 120 days old is classified as “inactive”. After classifying data as inactive, the administrator can set up policies at different levels within SharePoint – within the document library, within a site, etc. – to move data to an archive. At this point, the administrator decides what to do with the data (i.e. delete, shred, etc.).

**2. Does software run on a separate server and not on the Hitachi Data Systems storage unit controller?**

This is a software-only solution, no hardware is necessary as it is installed directly on the SharePoint administrator server.

**3. Is there a way to recover should my SQLServer become corrupt?**

When HDD-MS migrates data to storage, it migrates the BLOB and the metadata (copy) together. If SQL server becomes corrupt, you can easily recover through SharePoint by bringing the information back to the original location.

**4. Does HDD-MS support custom metadata fields?**

Yes. SharePoint uses the idea of custom metadata – HDD-MS supports this by migrating the custom metadata along with the file.

**5. Can I override a policy that has been applied at the web application level?**

Yes, general policies are often created that need to be overridden at different levels. For example, a general policy is created at the highest level (application level) to move data at the 90 day mark. However, the legal team needs a specific retention time frame on a specific SharePoint site. The legal team can set this policy and it will override the general policy. Lower level policies override the higher level policies.