

# Backup Windows systems using rsync with docoll

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## Introduction

Windows systems can be backed up using rsync. It can be done using [Cygwin](#) to provide the Linux-like environment for rsync to run in. A convenient package including the necessary parts of Cygwin and rsync is [cwrsrc](#). A convenient way to configure and run rsync within cwrsrc is provided by the synchronisation component of [docoll](#).

## Downloading, installing, configuring and troubleshooting

The whole procedure is described in the docoll rsync sysadmin guide, available from the [docoll](#) project page. The 0.7.6 version is [docoll rsync sysadmin guide. 2Apr12.odt](#). Its table of contents includes:

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The docoll windows client .zip file (-all version) includes cwrsrc (4.0.5, the last FOSS licensed version). The 0.7.6.1 version is [docoll\\_windows\\_client\\_all-0.7.6.1.zip](#)

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