

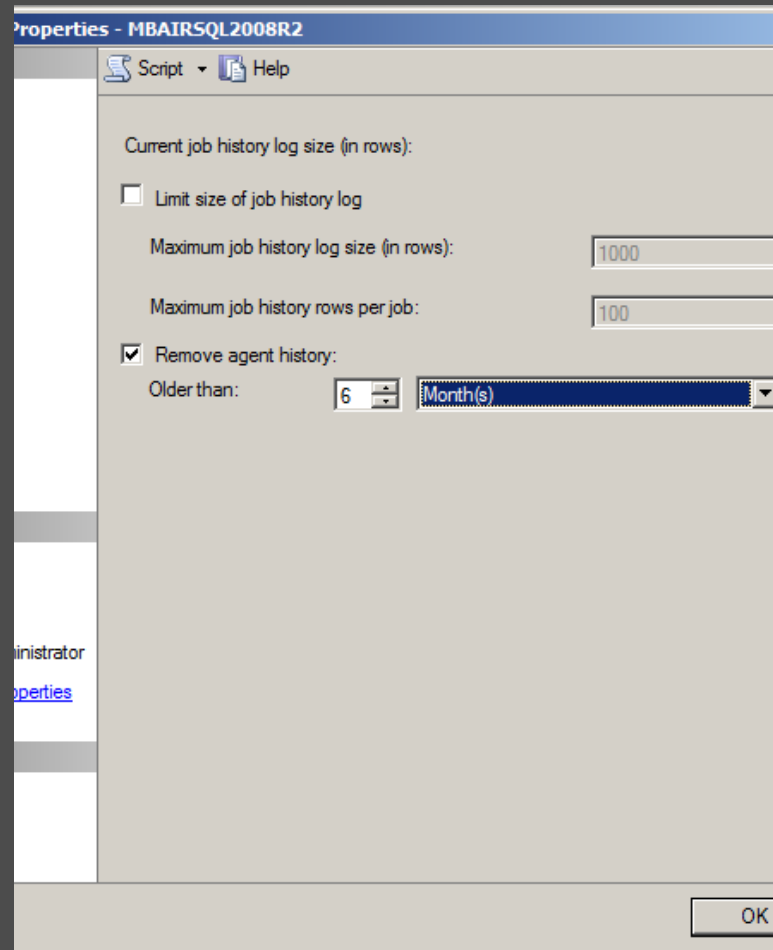
THINGS YOUR MSDB
DATABASE WILL TELL YOU
—IF YOU ASK

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Before You Begin

- Make sure you keep some history in your MSDB database
- Watch for indexes on earlier versions of SQL Server



What we won't discuss

- Master/Target Relationships
- SQL Agent Alerts

Some Words of Caution

- SQL Server will not purge backup history automatically.
- Use the `sp_delete_backuphistory` stored procedure to do this manually
- MSDB can grow quickly. Plan for data file growth.
- Maintain your MSDB Indexes



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What We'll Do Today

- Job Schedule
- Job History
- Failed Jobs Report
- Backup History
- Last Database Backup
- Backups Not Running
- Mail Sent

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