Limitations

In order to help prioritize our development, please let us know if anything on this page is a barrier to using SQL Clone.

Current known limitations of SQL Clone

- The source of an image cannot:
    - Have a total combined file size (mdf+ldf) of over 2TB.
    - Contain filestream or memory-optimized tables/filegroups.
    - Be a SQL Server database snapshot.
    - Be a live database currently part of a failover cluster.
        - Images *can* be created using backups of such a database.
        - Images *can* be created from availability groups.
- Clones cannot be created into failover clusters or availability groups.
- CLR assemblies are not ported to other machines by SQL Clone. These may have to be registered in a post-clone step if they are required.

Known issues

- Progress indications for creating images from Redgate SQL Backup files are very inaccurate.
- When creating an image from a multi-database backup, only the first database within the backup will be imaged.

Untested scenarios

- Running under a group managed service account.