

The Cisco Unified MeetingPlace system supports shadow server capability. The shadow server is a backup Cisco Unified MeetingPlace Audio Server that can replace the primary Cisco Unified MeetingPlace Audio Server in case of a Cisco Unified MeetingPlace system or site failure. Having a shadow server ensures that complete Cisco Unified MeetingPlace functionality is maintained with a minimum loss of time and disruption in service.

In the following sections, the term "primary server" refers to the Cisco Unified MeetingPlace Audio Server that is used on a daily basis. The term "shadow server" refers to the backup Cisco Unified MeetingPlace Audio Server that replicates the database from the primary server.

The following sections describe how to configure the shadow server and how to switch from a primary server to a shadow server:

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