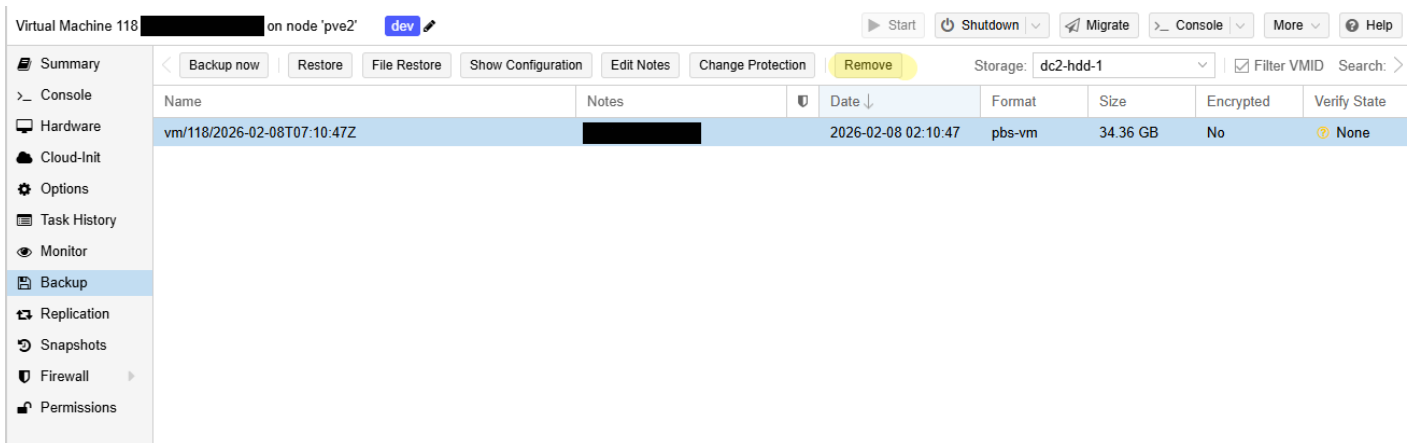


How to Remove Backups

To remove backups from Proxmox VE, navigate to the virtual machine or container you would like to remove. Once you are there, go to the backup tab. You should see the list of backups for your vm.



Virtual Machine 118 [redacted] on node 'pve2' dev

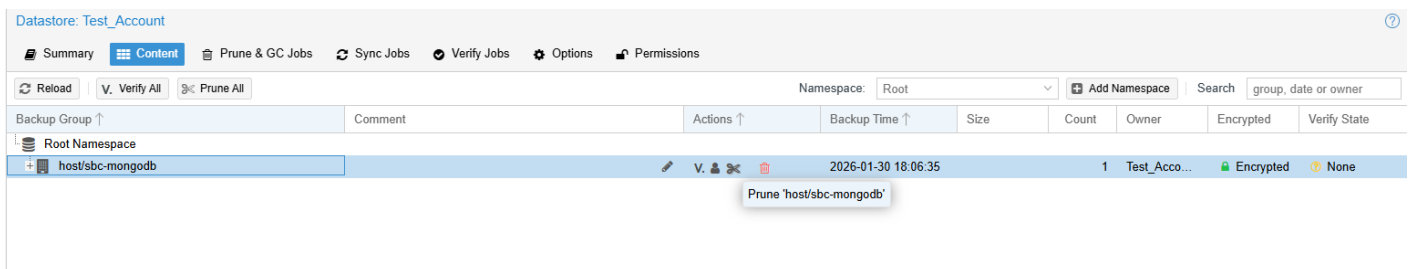
Start Shutdown Migrate Console More Help

Summary Backup now Restore File Restore Show Configuration Edit Notes Change Protection Remove Storage: dc2-hdd-1 Filter VMID Search:

Name	Notes	Date ↓	Format	Size	Encrypted	Verify State
vm/118/2026-02-08T07:10:47Z	[redacted]	2026-02-08 02:10:47	pbs-vm	34.36 GB	No	None

Select the backup you would like to remove and select the remove button.

Pruning allows you to specify which backup snapshots you want to keep and which ones you'd like to remove. To prune a single backup, within your Proxmox backup server account's datastore navigate to the snapshot you'd like to prune. Pruning keeps your backups in a recycle bin, to truly remove it you will have to run garbage collection.



Datastore: Test_Account

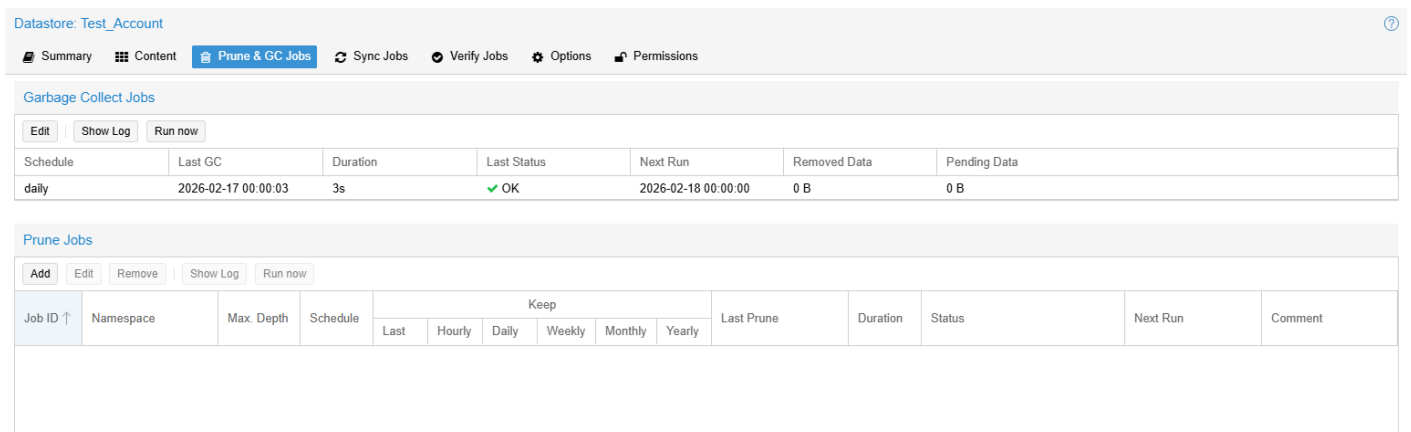
Summary Content Prune & GC Jobs Sync Jobs Verify Jobs Options Permissions

Reload V. Verify All Prune All Namespace: Root Add Namespace Search group, date or owner

Backup Group ↑	Comment	Actions ↑	Backup Time ↑	Size	Count	Owner	Encrypted	Verify State
Root Namespace								
host/sbc-mongodb		V. [redacted] [redacted]	2026-01-30 18:06:35		1	Test_Acco...	Encrypted	None

Prune 'host/sbc-mongodb'

You can schedule pruning jobs under the Prune & GC Jobs under your datastore.



Datastore: Test_Account

Summary Content Prune & GC Jobs Sync Jobs Verify Jobs Options Permissions

Garbage Collect Jobs

Edit Show Log Run now

Schedule	Last GC	Duration	Last Status	Next Run	Removed Data	Pending Data
daily	2026-02-17 00:00:03	3s	OK	2026-02-18 00:00:00	0 B	0 B

Prune Jobs

Add Edit Remove Show Log Run now

Job ID ↑	Namespace	Max. Depth	Schedule	Keep						Last Prune	Duration	Status	Next Run	Comment
				Last	Hourly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly					

You can add a new prune job, for details on how to set up your prune job, please refer to [Proxmox's Official Documentation](#)

If you'd like to skip the pruning step, you can go ahead and permanently delete the snapshot as well.

Datastore: Test_Account

SummaryContentPrune & GC JobsSync JobsVerify JobsOptionsPermissions

ReloadV. Verify AllPrune All

Namespace: RootAdd NamespaceSearchgroup, date or owner

Backup Group ↑	Comment	Actions ↑	Backup Time ↑	Size	Count	Owner	Encrypted	Verify State
Root Namespace								
host/sbc-mongodb		V.	2026-01-30 18:06:35		1	Test_Acco...	Encrypted	None

Permanently forget group 'host/sbc-mongodb'

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