

SCOM Community Guide

Tips and tricks for SCOM professionals

Part One: Management Packs



Introduction

SCOM is nothing without Management Packs, but luckily you're not restricted to the MPs that Microsoft provide or the ones that you author yourself, there's an awesome range of MPs ready and waiting for you. The best part...?

They're all free!

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OpsMgr Self Maintenance Management Pack

Let's start with *the* community Management Pack, something that should be part of every SCOM administrator's toolkit...

Authored by Microsoft MVP and community legend Tao Yang*, this MP automates many of the routine tasks carried out by SCOM administrators, as well as providing additional rules / monitors to monitor the OpsMgr management group itself.



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[Tao's OpsMgr MP Blog](#)

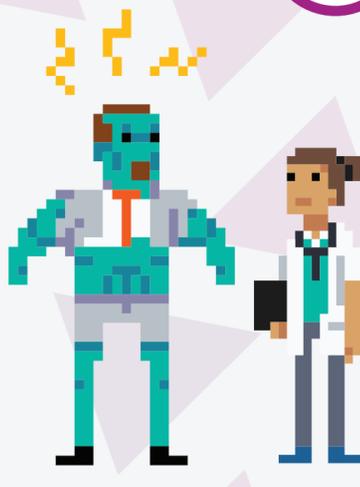
*Tao's Twitter followers will know he's also a great source of [tasty Chinese recipes](#). Mmmmm...braised red pork!

SCOM Health Check Reports MP

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Following nicely on from the Self Maintenance MP is the latest version of the [SCOM Health Check Reports MP](#).

Originally created by Microsoft MVP Pete Zenger, and most recently updated by Oskar Landman, this is another essential MP for helping you keep your SCOM deployment in what we Brits like to call "ship-shape and Bristol fashion" - which is basically a fancy old way of saying 'in good working order'.



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PKI Certificate Verification MP for SCOM 2012



Everyone knows what a nightmare managing SSL certificates across a vast datacentre estate can be. Wouldn't it be cool if you had visibility of when a certificate was expired or, even better, about to expire?

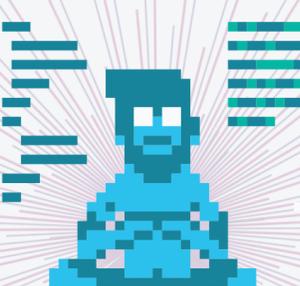
Well, thanks to Raphael Burri and friends, that power is now at your fingertips.

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Pending Reboot Management Pack

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On a similar theme to #3, wouldn't it be great to be able to surface servers in need of a reboot? MVP David Allen thought so and was kind enough to share his work with the rest of the Community.

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Log File Monitoring Management Pack

It's not just MVPs though, SCOM vendors are doing their bit to help too - and not many write better Management Packs than Christian and the rest of the lovely folks over at [NiCE in Germany](#).

Filling in the blanks that SCOM misses out, this MP provides more than 100 custom wizards for the SCOM Authoring console, allowing you to create rules and monitors in order to pull entries from your log files and map them to SCOM performance counters.

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