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https://sort.veritas.com/data/support/SORT_Data_Sheet.pdf

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About NetBackup 8.3.0.1

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About the NetBackup 8.3.0.1 release](#)
- [About NetBackup Late Breaking News](#)
- [About NetBackup third-party legal notices](#)

About the NetBackup 8.3.0.1 release

The *NetBackup Release Notes* document is meant to act as a snapshot of information about a version of NetBackup at the time of its release. Old information and any information that no longer applies to a release is either removed from the release notes or migrated elsewhere in the NetBackup documentation set.

See [“About new enhancements and changes in NetBackup”](#) on page 10.

About EEBs and release content

NetBackup 8.3.0.1 incorporates fixes to many of the known issues that affected customers in previous versions of NetBackup. Some of these fixes are associated with the customer-specific issues. Several of the customer-related fixes that were incorporated into this release were also made available as emergency engineering binaries (EEBs).

Listings of the EEBs and Etracks that document the known issues that have been fixed in NetBackup 8.3.0.1 can be found on the Veritas Operations Readiness Tools (SORT) website and in the .

See [“About Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools”](#) on page 34.

About NetBackup appliance releases

The NetBackup appliances run a software package that includes a preconfigured version of NetBackup. When a new appliance software release is developed, the

latest version of NetBackup is used as a basis on which the appliance code is built. For example, NetBackup Appliance 3.1 is based on NetBackup 8.1. This development model ensures that all applicable features, enhancements, and fixes that were released within NetBackup are included in the latest release of the appliance.

The NetBackup appliance software is released at the same time as the NetBackup release upon which it is based, or soon thereafter. If you are a NetBackup appliance customer, make sure to review the *NetBackup Release Notes* that correspond to the NetBackup appliance version that you plan to run.

Appliance-specific documentation is available at the following location:

<http://www.veritas.com/docs/000002217>

About NetBackup Late Breaking News

For the most recent NetBackup news and announcements, visit the NetBackup Late Breaking News website at the following location:

<http://www.veritas.com/docs/000040237>

Other NetBackup-specific information can be found at the following location:

https://www.veritas.com/support/en_US/15143.html

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New features, enhancements, and changes

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About new enhancements and changes in NetBackup](#)
- [NetBackup 8.3.0.1 new features, changes, and enhancements](#)

About new enhancements and changes in NetBackup

In addition to new features and product fixes, NetBackup releases often contain new customer-facing enhancements and changes. Examples of common enhancements include new platform support, upgraded internal software components, interface changes, and expanded feature support. Most new enhancements and changes are documented in the *NetBackup Release Notes* and the NetBackup compatibility lists.

Note: The *NetBackup Release Notes* only lists the new platform support that begins at a particular NetBackup version level at the time of its release. However, Veritas routinely backdates platform support to previous versions of NetBackup. Refer to the [NetBackup compatibility lists](#) for the most up-to-date platform support listings.

See [“About the NetBackup 8.3.0.1 release”](#) on page 8.

See [“About NetBackup compatibility lists and information”](#) on page 49.

NetBackup 8.3.0.1 new features, changes, and enhancements

New features, changes, and enhancements in NetBackup 8.3.0.1 are grouped below by category. Select a link to read more information about the topic.

Note: For NetBackup 8.3 features, changes, and enhancements, see the following document:

[NetBackup 8.3 Release Notes](#)

New features

- [NetBackup now supports data immutability and indelibility with the MSDP WORM instance in Flex Appliance](#)
- [Changes to user session default values](#)
- [NetBackup with SAN client 16-gigabit target mode HBA support](#)
- [Updates to the NetBackup for OpenStack plug-in](#)
- [NetBackup supports SSL-enabled \(HTTPS\) clusters of Hadoop and HBase](#)

Secure communication features, changes, and enhancements

- **Note:** Before you install or upgrade to NetBackup 8.3.0.1 from a release earlier than 8.1, make sure that you read and understand the *NetBackup Read This First for Secure Communications* document. NetBackup 8.1 includes many enhancements that improve the secure communications of NetBackup components. The *NetBackup Read This First for Secure Communications* document describes the features and benefits of these enhancements:

[NetBackup Read This First for Secure Communications](#)

Support changes and enhancements

- [NetBackup 8.3.0.1 support additions and changes](#)

Cloud-related changes and enhancements

- [New cloud providers and region support](#)

NetBackup now supports data immutability and indelibility with the MSDP WORM instance in Flex Appliance

NetBackup 8.3.0.1 supports WORM storage when using the Media Server Deduplication Pool (MSDP) WORM instance that is deployed in the upcoming Flex Appliance 1.4 or later versions.

NetBackup supports the following retention period modes:

- Compliance Mode
- Enterprise Mode

For more information, refer to the *Veritas NetBackup Deduplication Guide*:

https://www.veritas.com/support/en_US/doc/25074086-143197427-0

Changes to user session default values

With NetBackup 8.3.0.1, the default values for two user session parameters have changed to increase security.

The default number of failed sign-in attempts allowed is 5. Previously, this value was 0.

- In the NetBackup web UI, go to **User sessions > User account settings > Number of failed sign-in attempts allowed**.
- In the NetBackup Administration Console, go to **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers > server > User Account Settings > Account lockout > Number of failed log-in attempts allowed**
- With the CLI, use the `GUI_MAX_LOGIN_ATTEMPTS` parameter with commands. For example, `bpgetconfig -X GUI_MAX_LOGIN_ATTEMPTS`.

The default value for the account lockout duration is 15 minutes. Previously, this value was 1440 minutes (24 hours). (The user account is automatically unlocked after the lockout duration.)

- In the NetBackup web UI, go to **User sessions > User account settings > Unlock locked accounts**.
- In the NetBackup Administration Console, go to **NetBackup Management > Host Properties > Master Servers > server > User Account Settings > Account lockout duration**
- With the CLI, use the `GUI_ACCOUNT_LOCKOUT_DURATION` parameter with commands. For example, `bpgetconfig -X GUI_ACCOUNT_LOCKOUT_DURATION`.

By default, these user session settings are enabled. You can disable these settings with the NetBackup web UI, the NetBackup Administration Console, or the `bpsetconfig` command.

NetBackup with SAN client 16-gigabit target mode HBA support

NetBackup 8.3.0.1 now comes with build your own (BYO) media server with 16-gigabit target mode HBA support. This feature offers high speed SAN-based data path with low client footprint for all the supported client platforms. Upgrading HBA to 16-gigabit results in a better throughput.

For more information, refer to the *NetBackup SAN Client and Fibre Transport Guide*:

https://www.veritas.com/support/en_US/doc/25074091-143247023-0

Updates to the NetBackup for OpenStack plug-in

NetBackup for OpenStack plug-in supports the following:

- CEPH Storage - Protection for OpenStack deployed on CEPH-based Cinder Storage.
- Global admin - Backup hosts are deployed for a special tenant (backup tenant) that is responsible for performing backup or restore operations for all the other tenants or projects within OpenStack cluster.

For more information, refer to the following article:

[Protection support for OpenStack deployed on CEPH Storage and Backup Host deployment of global admin](#)

NetBackup supports SSL-enabled (HTTPS) clusters of Hadoop and HBase

Starting from version 8.3.0.1, NetBackup supports SSL-enabled clusters of Hadoop and HBase.

For more information, refer to the following guides:

- NetBackup for Hadoop Administrator's Guide
https://www.veritas.com/support/en_US/doc/127664413-142484538-0
- NetBackup for HBase Administrator's Guide
https://www.veritas.com/support/en_US/doc/130884797-143512065-0

NetBackup 8.3.0.1 support additions and changes

Note: This information is subject to change. See the [NetBackup Master Compatibility Lists](#) for the most recent product and services support additions and changes.

New cloud providers and region support

- Amazon (S3) regions:
 - Africa (Cape Town)
 - Asia Pacific (Hong Kong)
 - Europe (Milan)
 - Europe (Stockholm)
 - Middle East (Bahrain)
- Google (S3) regions:
 - Asia East 2
 - Asia Northeast 2
 - Asia-South1
 - EU-North1
 - EU-West4
 - EU-West 6
 - NorthAmerica-Northeast1
 - SouthAmerica-East1
 - US-West2
- Hitachi Vantara CloudScale (S3)
- Nutanix Objects (S3)
- Orange Business Systems Flexible Engine OBS (S3)
- SandStone MOS (S3)
- SwiftStack Object Storage (S3) buffer size changes

For the latest cloud configuration package, see the following tech note:

https://www.veritas.com/content/support/en_US/downloads/update.UPD971796

For additional information on adding cloud storage configuration files, refer to the following tech note:

<http://www.veritas.com/docs/100039095>

Operational notes

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About NetBackup 8.3.0.1 operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup installation and upgrade operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup administration and general operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup administration interface operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup Bare Metal Restore operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup Cloud operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup with Veritas CloudPoint operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup deduplication operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup internationalization and localization operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup for NDMP operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup Snapshot Client operational notes](#)
- [NetBackup virtualization operational notes](#)

About NetBackup 8.3.0.1 operational notes

NetBackup operational notes describe and explain important aspects of various NetBackup operations that may not be documented elsewhere in the NetBackup documentation set or on the Veritas Support website. The operational notes can be found in the *NetBackup Release Notes* for each version of NetBackup. Typical operational notes include known issues, compatibility notes, and additional information about installation and upgrade.

Operational notes are often added or updated after a version of NetBackup has been released. As a result, the online versions of the *NetBackup Release Notes* or other NetBackup documents may have been updated post-release. You can access the most up-to-date version of the documentation set for a given release of NetBackup at the following location on the Veritas Support website:

[NetBackup Release Notes, Administration, Installation, Troubleshooting, Getting Started, and Solutions Guides](#)

NetBackup installation and upgrade operational notes

NetBackup can be installed and upgraded in heterogeneous environments using a variety of methods. NetBackup is also compatible with a mixture of servers and clients that are at various release levels in the same environment. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with the installation, upgrade, and software packaging of NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

After initiating CA migration, connection errors may occur

NetBackup now supports certificate authorities with the following key strengths: 2048 bits, 4096 bits, 8192 bits, and 16384 bits. After NetBackup 8.3.0.1 installation or upgrade, by default a new root CA with 2048-bits key strength is deployed.

If you are connected to the NetBackup web UI during NetBackup CA migration, you should again sign in to the web UI for successful communication.

If NetBackup 8.3.0.1 upgrade fails on Windows, revert to previous log folder structure

The legacy log folder structure for non-root or non-admin invoked process logs has changed. The new folder structure is created under the process log directory name. For more information, refer to the *File name format for legacy logging* section from the [Veritas NetBackup Logging Reference Guide](#).

For Windows, if the upgrade to NetBackup 8.3.0.1 fails and rollback occurs, run the following command to continue working on an earlier NetBackup version:

```
mklogdir.bat -fixFolderPerm
```

For more information, refer to the `mklogdir` command from the [Veritas NetBackup Commands Reference Guide](#).

Native installation requirements

In NetBackup 8.2, a change was made to initial installs such that the answer file is now required. This change may have some negative effect on users who want to use the native packages to create VM templates or otherwise install the NetBackup packages without configuring the product. On Linux, one possible way of obtaining the previous behavior is with the `--noscripts` option of the RPM Package Manager. Providing this option when installing the `VRTSnbpcck` package avoids the configuration steps. This option does not need to be provided when you install other packages. The answer file must still exist, but the only value that must be provided is the role of the machine, either a client or a media server. For example:

```
echo "MACHINE_ROLE=CLIENT" > /tmp/NBInstallAnswer.conf
rpm -U --noscripts VRTSnbpcck.rpm
rpm -U VRTSnbpcck.rpm VRTSnbclt.rpm VRTSpddea.rpm
```

NetBackup servers must use a host name that is compliant with RFC 1123 and RFC 952

Starting with NetBackup 8.0, all NetBackup server names must use a host name that is compliant with RFC 1123 ("Requirements for Internet Hosts - Application and Support") and RFC 952 ("DOD Internet Host Table Specification") standards. These standards include the supported and unsupported characters that can be used in a host name. For example, the underscore character (`_`) is not a supported character for host names.

More information is available about these standards and about this issue:

[RFC 952](#)

[RFC 1123](#)

<http://www.veritas.com/docs/000125019>

Do not install from the menu that appears when the installation DVD is inserted

The operating system may open a user interface window (such as File Manager on Solaris) when the installation DVD is inserted into the disc drive. Veritas recommends that you do not use this window to install NetBackup products because unpredictable results may occur. Make sure to follow the installation instructions that are found in the [NetBackup Installation Guide](#).

About support for HP-UX Itanium vPars SRP containers

Hewlett-Packard Enterprise (HPE) introduced a new type of container for HP-UX Virtual Partitions (vPars)-enabled servers called Secure Resource Partitions (SRPs). As part of the security changes introduced by SRPs, native HP-UX install tools such as `swinstall` and `swremove` are disabled from being run within the SRP environment. The `swinstall` and `swremove` tools can only be called from the global host running vPars, which then pushes the native packages to the SRP containers.

NetBackup only supports installing into the global view. NetBackup installation fails if you try to install into an HPE Itanium SRP container (private file system, shared file system, or workload).

NetBackup administration and general operational notes

NetBackup provides a complete, flexible data protection solution for a variety of platforms. The platforms include Windows, UNIX, and Linux systems. In addition to a standard set of data protection features, NetBackup can also utilize several other licensed and non-licensed components to better protect a variety of different systems and environments. This topic contains some of the general operational notes and known issues that are associated with the administration of NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

The `nbdeployutil` utility may fail to generate usage reports for traditional licensing

When you run a job using the NAS-Data-Protection policy, the `nbdeployutil` utility fails to generate the usage reports for traditional licensing. This issue is applicable whether you run `nbdeployutil` at a specific schedule or manually generate the reports.

Backups for workloads that use the BigData policy may fail

If you have a NetBackup client as a backup host for protecting the workloads that use the BigData policy, and this backup host is shared between two master servers, then the backups fail.

During backup, NetBackup client scans the `bp.conf` file. If the master server is in the second position, the backup fails, and the following error is displayed:

```
(6654) Unable to retrieve the credentials for the server.
```

Workaround: Ensure that the master server entry is the first entry as a server name in the `bp.conf` file.

Child backup jobs may enter a queued state for workloads that use BigData policy

In NetBackup Appliance environments with multiple backup hosts where the BigData policy is used, one of the child backup jobs may go into a queued state if the media server goes into an inactive state. This scenario applies to Hadoop, HBase, and MongoDB workloads.

Workaround:

From the **Media and Device Management > Devices > Media servers** menu in NetBackup Administration Console, right-click the inactive media server and change the status from **Deactivated** to **Activate**.

Errors are shown in the jobs detail when NetBackup attempts to expire images from non-WORM capable storage

NetBackup routinely attempts to remove expired backups from the catalog and subsequently on storage. In cases where backups are WORM-locked on storage beyond the catalog expiration time, attempts to delete the data from storage causes the job to complete with partial-success. The job completes with a status (1) with a per-image error code of 2060069 reported in the job details. Each cleanup cycle attempts to remove the backup until storage successfully allows the deletion of the WORM-locked images.

Workaround:

To remove the WORM images from the cleanup cycle, perform one of the following as appropriate:

- Run a manual import to get the WORM images back into catalog.
- Use the `nbdelete -purge_deletion_list -backupid` command to remove the WORM image backup IDs from deletion worklist. This command does not delete these images from storage, so you have to delete the images manually from storage.

NetBackup web server certificate renewal failure during initiation of NetBackup CA migration or upgrade

If the initiation of NetBackup CA migration fails because of the NetBackup web service time out, renewal of the NetBackup web server certificate fails.

To renew the web server certificate using the new CA

- 1 Verify if the `nbatd` service has successfully migrated the NetBackup CA using the following steps:
 - Check the migration summary status. The status should be 'INITIATED'.
 - Run the `nbseccmd -nbcamigrate -summary` command to check the CA migration status.
 - The new key pair with the desired key size should be present in the NetBackup web server keystore. Check the keystore at the following location:
 On Windows:
`<INSTALL_PATH>/var/global/vxss/tomcatcreds/nbwebmvc/.VRTSat/profile/certstore/keystore`
 On UNIX:
`<INSTALL_PATH>/var/global/vxss/tomcatcreds/nbwebmvc/.VRTSat/profile/certstore/keystore`
- 2 After you have verified that the `nbatd` service has successfully migrated the NetBackup CA, run the following command to renew the NetBackup web server certificate:

```
nbseccmd -nbcamigrate -syncMigrationDB
```

Microsoft Azure backup fails if the resource group name contains a period (.)

For a VM or a disk snapshot, if the disk name or the asset resource group name contains a period, the backup job fails.

Workaround:

- If the resource group name contains a period, move the disks to a resource group without the period.
- If the disk name contains a period rename the disk.

SLP does not retry multistreaming backup if child job fails or is canceled

While a multistreaming backup job is running, if one child job is complete but another child job fails or is canceled, the storage lifecycle policy (SLP) does not retry the backup job.

Workaround:

1. Run the `nbstlutil cancel -backupid <backup identifier>` command to cancel the backup job and clean up the pending jobs.

2. Trigger a manual backup.

Granular restores require adequate available space on target

If the space available on the target restore file system is not enough, the granular restore operation fails.

Workaround: Ensure that enough space is available on the target restore file system.

Stale devices shown on the device tree

During the indexing or restore process, sometimes the stale devices that are present in the volume are not cleaned up and are displayed in the device tree.

Workaround:

1. Unmount any file systems that mounted the device. (If required use `force unmount`)
2. If any of the partitions belongs to LVM, then remove the volume group from disk using the `vgreduce` command and then the `pvremove` command.
3. Execute the `blockdev -flushbufs` command to remove any outstanding reference to that device.
4. Remove the device references from the device tree. For example, whole/partition disks `/dev/xvdf`, `/dev/disk/by-path`, `by-id`, `by-label`, `by-partuuid` and `by-uuid`
5. Use the following command to remove the device from sysfs:
6.

```
echo 1 > /sys/block/device-name/device/delete
```

Where device-name might be `xvdf`.
7. Reboot the host to resolve this issue.

NetBackup administration interface operational notes

The NetBackup administrator has a choice of several interfaces to use to administer NetBackup. All of the interfaces have similar capabilities. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with these interfaces in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

For more information about the specific NetBackup administration interfaces, refer to the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume I*. For information about how to install the interfaces, refer to the *NetBackup Installation Guide*. For information

about platform compatibility with the administration consoles, refer to the various NetBackup compatibility lists available on the Veritas Support website.

See [“About NetBackup compatibility lists and information”](#) on page 49.

Search limitations for security events lists in the NetBackup web UI

For the following NetBackup web UI features, the Search functionality is available only for the **User name** and **Domain name** fields:

- **Security > Security Events > Access History**
- **Security > Security Events > Audit Events**

The Search functionality is not available for **Description**, **Reason**, or other columns in these table listings. You can use filters to view events of a specific audit category for example, Login, Job, Policy and so on.

Using X forwarding to launch the NetBackup Administration Console can fail on certain Linux platforms

Using X forwarding to launch the NetBackup Administration Console can fail on certain Linux platforms, particularly Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6.0 (RHEL 6.0) on VMware. The issue is a result of incompatibilities between the default GNU C Library (`glibc`) and Advanced Vector Extensions (AVX) on newer hardware. The issue should be fixed in a future release of `glibc`.

Workaround: Run the `export LD_BIND_NOW=1` command before you execute `runInstaller`.

Intermittent issues with X forwarding of NetBackup Administration Console

Intermittent issues may occur with X forwarding of the NetBackup Administration Console. This behavior only occurs when you use X forwarding. This issue does not occur at the local console. The issue is most commonly seen on Linux servers, but not exclusively. The issue generally occurs when older versions of X viewers are used, such as Xming and XBrowser.

The use of MobaXterm seems to minimize or eliminate the issue. If you experience issues with X forwarding, consider upgrading your X viewer and retrying the operation or access the server from the local console.

NetBackup Administration Console fails in Simplified Chinese UTF-8 locale on Solaris SPARC 64-bit systems with Solaris 10 Update 2 or later

The NetBackup Administration Console may encounter a core dump issue when the Simplified Chinese UTF-8 locale is used on a Solaris SPARC 64-bit system with Solaris 10 Update 2 and later installed. For more information, refer to Bug ID 6901233 at the following URL on the Oracle Technology Network website:

http://bugs.sun.com/bugdatabase/view_bug.do?bug_id=6901233

If you encounter this issue, apply the appropriate Solaris patches or upgrades that Oracle provides for this issue.

NetBackup Bare Metal Restore operational notes

NetBackup Bare Metal Restore (BMR) automates and streamlines the server recovery process, making it unnecessary to reinstall operating systems or configure hardware manually. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with BMR in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

BMR boot server not supported on a NetBackup appliance or a Flex appliance

A Bare Metal Restore (BMR) boot server cannot be configured on a NetBackup appliance or a Flex appliance.

BMR restore may take significant amount of time for formatting and volume creation step

Due to operating system changes, a Bare Metal Restore (BMR) restore may take significant time during the formatting step when there are logical volumes in the system being restore. Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8 has introduced some changes for LVM2 which causes scanning of the udev database. This scanning takes a significant amount of time for LVM-related operations.

When you perform a BMR restore, you may see the following message in the `bmrrst` logs:

```
WARNING: Device * not initialized in udev database even after waiting  
10000000 microseconds.
```

The BMR restore still succeeds, despite the longer restore time.

NetBackup Cloud operational notes

NetBackup Cloud Storage enables you to back up and restore data from cloud Storage as a Service (STaaS) vendors. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with the NetBackup Cloud in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

Configuring a cloud recovery host on RHEL 8

Before you run `ims_system_config.py` to configure the cloud recovery host on RHEL 8, install Python 2 and create a soft link from Python 2 to Python. The `ims_system_config.py` script uses Python 2.

Indexing error may occur for Micorosft Azure cloud assets

For Microsoft Azure cloud assets, the indexing operation fails sometimes with the following error:

```
No available slots to attach disk.
```

NetBackup with Veritas CloudPoint operational notes

This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with the Veritas CloudPoint and NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

Public cloud not supported with gov cloud or China region

If you try to a configure a public cloud region plug-in with a gov cloud or China region cloud, the following error occurs:

```
Plug-in authentication failed. Credentials are invalid.
```

Indexing not supported on instances created from AWS Marketplaces AMIs

The indexing process for the instances created from AWS Marketplaces AMIs fails with the following error:

```
Failed to attach new volume: Cannot attach volume <vol-xxx>  
with Marketplace codes as the instance <i-xxx>  
is not in the 'stopped' state.
```

Consistent host snapshot might fail

Sometimes the consistent host snapshot might fail with the following error:

```
The host level snapshot of <host_nam> cannot be performed as asset hierarchy is incomplete.
```

This issue occurs due to the following reasons:

- Granular restore is performed on the host in the last 10 minutes.
- A new disk is attached to the host and the discovery of required assets is not completed.

Image clean-up may fail for Microsoft Azure workloads

For Microsoft Azure workloads, image clean-up fails with following error:

```
30464: invalid error code .
```

Workaround: This error is related to Veritas CloudPoint. Refer to the [Veritas CloudPoint release notes](#) for incidents 7253 and 8030.

Configuring AWS plug-in with IAM role showed that the Authentication Method field is blank

If you attach an IAM role to a CloudPoint server that is already added to NetBackup, the role is not assigned in NetBackup.

Workaround:

You must sync NetBackup with CloudPoint by using the following command:

```
/usr/opensv/volmgr/bin/tpconfig -update -cloudpoint_server <ip/name  
which CP is registered in NBU> -cloudpoint_server_user_id admin  
-manage_workload CLOUD
```

MongoDB create snapshot job may freeze

If CloudPoint is unable to unfreeze the file system during a snapshot, the subsequent MongoDB snapshot freezes. Status of the previous snapshot job is successful, but the following errors are recorded in the logs:

```
flexsnap-coordinator: "Jun 18 22:31:51 11f5b9b5977c  
flexsnap-coordinator[1] Thread-4037029 flexsnap.coordinator:  
WARNING - post_snapshot failed for child
```

```
<asset_id: eg:fs-lnxnative-ext4-74d0ad4b-d81e-4819-9a68-
```

```
bda6b3750b8e-33280449d30c2bb766721379375a1130>  
with exc <Exception details>.
```

Workaround:

You can use the following command to unfreeze the file system:

```
fsfreeze -u <mount_point>
```

In the case of an Oracle application, if CloudPoint fails to unfreeze the file system, the next snapshot job fails.

Updating a cloud plug-in while a job runs causes job failure

If you edit the Azure plug-in configuration when a snapshot, restore, replication or any job is in progress, the job fails with the following error:

```
Request failed unexpectedly: 'AzurePlugin' object has no attribute  
'aops'.
```

Workaround: Update the Azure plugin configuration only when no operations on assets managed by that configuration are in progress.

Permission denied error occurs if both user and password are updated

An issue might occur if you try to update the CloudPoint Server agentless connection credentials with a non-standard user. If you create a new user on a specific VM, then the user should be a part of the sudoers file, or the connection fails. The new user must have the permission to perform any root operation using the `sudo` command without a password.

Workaround:

To avoid this issue:

- Ensure that the `sudo` command without password is configured. Check the user entry in the `/etc/sudoers` file.
- Ensure that the binary flexsnap-agentless and plug-ins are not created with the old user. If they are created with the old user, delete the files.

Different source and target zones for Google Cloud Platform are not supported

Although Google Cloud Platform allows the restore snapshot across all zones, the CloudPoint server does not allow the source location and target location of the restore to be in different zones across plug-in configurations. This issue occurs

because the zones are managed by configuration and so the restore to zones which is not part of config is not supported.

Workaround:

Ensure that the source location and the target locations are in the same zones as plug-in configurations.

Broken files system detected

Sometimes, a broken file system is detected on CloudPoint server during the restore process. In this case, the mount fails with the following error: Invalid super block or structure needs cleaning.

NetBackup deduplication operational notes

NetBackup provides several deduplication options that let you deduplicate data everywhere, as close to the source of data as you require. Deduplication everywhere lets you choose at which point in the backup process to perform deduplication. NetBackup can manage the deduplication of environments that use the NetBackup Deduplication Engine. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with the NetBackup Deduplication Engine in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

For the most up-to-date compatibility information for MSDP, see the [NetBackup Enterprise Server and Server OS Software Compatibility List](#).

Backup jobs fail with "Storage server is down ..." for WORM storage servers in multi-domain environments

A problem occurs in a multi-domain environment, where two domains (both NetBackup master servers) share an MSDP user name.

If Domain 1 and Domain 2 have the same MSDP user name, and Domain 1 has created a NetBackup WORM Storage Server, and Domain 2 is configured to connect to the WORM Storage Server, backup jobs fail with the error `Storage Server is down or unavailable`.

Workaround:

1. Create a new user for Domain 2. On the NetBackup WORM Storage Server, run the following command to create the MSDP user:

```
setting MSDP-user add-MSDP-user username=user_name
```

2. On Domain 2, run the following NetBackup command to update the NetBackup WORM Storage Server to use the new user:

```
tpconfig -add -stype PureDisk -storage_server <storageserver>
-sts_user_id <user id> -password <password>
```

3. On the NetBackup WORM Storage Server, stop and then restart the NetBackup Deduplication Manager (spad):

```
dedupe MSDP stop

dedupe MSDP start
```

NetBackup internationalization and localization operational notes

This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with internationalization, localization, and non-English locales in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

Support for localized environments in database and application agents

Non-ASCII characters are supported in the following fields for NetBackup database and application agents.

- Oracle:
Datafile path, Tablespace name, TNS path
- DB2:
Datafile path, Tablespace name
- SAP:
English SAP runs on localized OS. (No specific SAP fields are localized.)
- Exchange:
Mailboxes, Mails, Attachment names and contents, Public folders, Contacts, Calendar, Folders and Database paths
- SharePoint:
Site Collection Names, Libraries and lists within the site collection
- Lotus Notes:
Emails data /.nsf files
- Enterprise Vault (EV) agent:
Vault store, Partitions, Data
- VMWare:

Username, Password, VM display name, DataCenter, Folder, Datastore,
Resource pool, VApp, Network name, VM disk path

Certain NetBackup user-defined strings must not contain non-US ASCII characters

The following NetBackup user-defined strings must not contain non-US ASCII characters:

- Host name (master server, media server, Enterprise Media Manager (EMM) server, volume database host, media host, client)
- Policy name
- Policy KEYWORD (Windows only)
- Backup, Archive, and Restore KEYWORD (Windows only)
- Storage unit name
- Storage unit disk pathname (Windows only)
- Robot name
- Device name
- Schedule name
- Media ID
- Volume group name
- Volume pool name
- Media description
- Vault policy names
- Vault report names
- BMR Shared Resource Tree (SRT) name
- Token name

NetBackup for NDMP operational notes

NetBackup for NDMP is an optional NetBackup application. It enables NetBackup to use the Network Data Management Protocol (NDMP) to initiate and control backups and restores of Network Attached Storage (NAS) systems. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with NetBackup for NDMP in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

Parent directories in the path of a file may not be present in an NDMP incremental image

An issue can occur if a NetBackup Network Data Management Protocol (NDMP) backup policy is configured with the directive `set type=tar` in the backup selection. Parent directories in the path of a file that an incremental NDMP backup saves may not be present in the backup image. For more information on this issue, refer to the following tech note on the Veritas Support website:

<http://www.veritas.com/docs/000095049>

NetBackup Snapshot Client operational notes

NetBackup Snapshot Client provides a variety of snapshot-based features for NetBackup. It supports clients on UNIX, Linux, and Windows platforms, on Fibre Channel networks (SANs) or traditional LANs. Each snapshot method relies on the snapshot technology that is built into the storage subsystem where the data is stored. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with Snapshot Client in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

HPE 3PAR array snapshot import fails with status code 4213

An HPE 3PAR array snapshot import fails with status code 4213. Currently, CloudPoint does not support the snapshot type Clone for the VSO (virtual server owner) snapshot method.

Workaround: Reconfigure the policy using the snapshot type COW (copy-on-write).

Snapshots are deleted after point-in-time rollbacks

In the case of the VSO FIM snapshot method for Network Attached Storage (NAS), when you perform a point-in-time rollback from an older copy, the snapshots on the storage array after that point are deleted. This operation renders the NetBackup image inconsistent, thus the image is deleted.

Similarly, when you perform a point-in-time rollback of an older snapshot from one of the mountpoints, only the snapshot that is associated with that mount point is deleted. Also, the images are deleted because they become inconsistent. However, the other snapshots belonging to other mountpoints would still reside on the storage array and you need to manually clean them up.

Index from Snapshot operation does not populate contents of the snapshot accurately in the catalog

Note: This issue is specific to on-premises workloads and UNIX platforms.

In the case of the Index from Snapshot operation, if the `/usr/openv` directory on the snapshot mount host is linked to a different path, the contents of the snapshot is not indexed accurately in the catalog.

Workaround: Reconfigure the storage lifecycle policy to have only the snapshot operation and remove the index from snapshot operation.

NetBackup virtualization operational notes

NetBackup offers several methods of protecting virtual environments. The two primary virtualization technologies that NetBackup can protect are VMware and Hyper-V, although NetBackup can protect other virtualization technologies as well. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with the protection of virtualization technologies in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

NetBackup for VMware operational notes

NetBackup for VMware provides backup and restore of the VMware virtual machines that run on VMware ESX servers. Additionally, the NetBackup plug-in for VMware vCenter (vCenter plug-in) allows the vSphere Client to monitor virtual machine backups and recover a virtual machine from a backup. This topic contains some of the operational notes and known issues that are associated with NetBackup for VMware and the vCenter plug-in in NetBackup 8.3.0.1.

VMware protection plan creation can fail when automatic scheduling and WORM storage are used

The protection plan creation does not work for the VMware workload when you select the following options:

- All schedule frequencies are set to less than one week.
- The WORM storage has a valid **Lock Maximum Duration** that is less than one week greater than the requested retention period.

Workaround: If you use a protection plan to protect VMware with WORM capable storage, set the WORM storage **Lock Maximum Duration** to greater than one week. Or, explicitly select the schedule type in the protection plan.

Media servers cannot access the virtualization server, fails with status code 200

Consider the following scenario:

- NetBackup is enabled to support NAT clients.
- An STU is created using the NetBackup Administration Console.
- You create a protection plan for VMware backup using the NetBackup web UI.
- You provide a backup host that has access to virtualization server.
- You assign the protection plan to a VMware asset.
- You check the policy that is created as part of the subscription.
- The correct VMware backup host appears on the **VMware** tab in the NetBackup Administration Console, but the **Clients > NetBackup host to perform automatic virtual machine selection** option is set to **Backup Media Server**. The media server cannot access the virtualization server, and the backup fails with status code 200.

Workaround:

- 1 Go to the **NetBackup Administration Console > NetBackup Management > Policies**.
- 2 Select the appropriate policy in the right pane.
- 3 In the **Change Policy** dialog box, select the **Clients** tab.
- 4 Click the **Select automatically through VMware Intelligent Policy** query option.
- 5 Select the required backup host from the **NetBackup host to perform automatic virtual machine selection** drop-down list.
- 6 Click **OK**.

About SORT for NetBackup Users

This appendix includes the following topics:

- [About Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools](#)
- [Recommended SORT procedures for new installations](#)
- [Recommended SORT procedures for upgrades](#)

About Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools

Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools (SORT) is a robust set of standalone and web-based tools that support Veritas enterprise products. For NetBackup, SORT provides the ability to collect, analyze, and report on host configurations across UNIX/Linux or Windows environments. This data is invaluable when you want to assess if your systems are ready for an initial NetBackup installation or for an upgrade.

Access SORT from the following webpage:

<https://sort.veritas.com/netbackup>

Once you get to the SORT page, more information is available as follows:

- **Installation and Upgrade Checklist**
Use this tool to create a checklist to see if your system is ready for a NetBackup installation or an upgrade. This report contains all the software and the hardware compatibility information specific to the information provided. The report also includes product installation or upgrade instructions, as well as links to other references.

- **Hot fix and EEB Release Auditor**
 Use this tool to find out whether a release that you plan to install contains the hot fixes that you need.
- **Custom Reports**
 Use this tool to get recommendations for your system and Veritas enterprise products.
- **NetBackup Future Platform and Feature Plans**
 Use this tool to get information about what items Veritas intends to replace with newer and improved functionality. The tool also provides insight about what items Veritas intends to discontinue without replacement. Some of these items include certain NetBackup features, functionality, 3rd-party product integration, Veritas product integration, applications, databases, and the OS platforms.

Help for the SORT tools is available. Click **Help** in the upper right corner of the SORT home page. You have the option to:

- Page through the contents of the help similar to a book
- Look for topics in the index
- Search the help with the search option

Recommended SORT procedures for new installations

Veritas recommends new NetBackup users perform the three procedures that are listed for an initial introduction to SORT. The tool has many other features and functions, but these serve as a good introduction to SORT. In addition, the procedures provide a helpful base of knowledge for other SORT functionality.

Table A-1

Procedure	Details
Create a Veritas Account on the SORT webpage	See “To create a Veritas Account on the SORT page” on page 36.
Create generic installation reports	See “To create a generic installation checklist” on page 36.
Create system-specific installation reports	See “To create a system-specific installation report for Windows” on page 37. See “To create a system-specific installation report for UNIX or Linux” on page 38.

To create a Veritas Account on the SORT page

- 1 In your web browser, navigate to:
<https://sort.veritas.com/netbackup>
- 2 In the upper right corner, click **Login**, then click **Register now**.
- 3 Enter the requested login and contact information:

Email address	Enter and verify your email address
Password	Enter and verify your password
First name	Enter your first name
Last name	Enter your last name
Company name	Enter your company name
Country	Enter your country
Preferred language	Select your preferred language
CAPTCHA text	Enter the displayed CAPTCHA text. If necessary, refresh the image.

- 4 Click **Submit**.
- 5 When you receive your login information, you can log into SORT and begin uploading your customized information.

To create a generic installation checklist

- 1 In your web browser, navigate to:
<https://sort.veritas.com/netbackup>
- 2 Find and select the **Installation and Upgrade Checklist** widget.

3 Specify the requested information

Product	Select the appropriate product from the drop-down menu. For NetBackup select NetBackup Enterprise Server or NetBackup Server .
Product version you are installing or upgraded to	Select the correct version of NetBackup. The most current version is always shown at the top of the list.
Platform	Select the operating system that corresponds to the checklist you want generated.
Processor	Select the correct processor type for your checklist.
Product version you are upgrading from (optional)	For new installations, do not make any selections. For upgrades, you can select the currently installed version of NetBackup.

4 Click **Generate Checklist**.

5 A checklist corresponding to your choices is created. You can modify your selections from this screen, and click **Generate Checklist** to create a new checklist.

You can save the resulting information as a PDF. Numerous options are available for NetBackup and many of them are covered in the generated checklist. Please spend time reviewing each section to determine if it applies to your environment.

To create a system-specific installation report for Windows

- 1 Go to the SORT website:
<https://sort.veritas.com/netbackup>
- 2 In the **Installation and Upgrade** section, select **Installation and Upgrade custom reports by SORT data collectors**.
- 3 Select the **Data Collectors** tab
- 4 Select the radio button for **Graphical user interface** and download the correct data collector for your platform.

The data collector is OS-specific. To collect information about Windows computers, you need the Windows data collector. To collect information about UNIX computers, you need the UNIX data collector.
- 5 Launch the data collector after it finishes downloading.

- 6** On the **Welcome** screen, select **NetBackup** from the product family section and click **Next**.
- 7** On the **System Selection** screen, add all computers you want analyzed. Click **Browse** to see a list of computers you can add to the analysis. Veritas recommends starting the tool with an administrator or a root account.
- 8** When all systems are selected, review the **System names** section and click **Next**.
- 9** In the **Validation Options** screen, under **Validation options**, select the version to which you plan to upgrade.
- 10** Click **Next** to continue
- 11** The utility performs the requested checks and displays the results. You can upload the report to My SORT, print the results, or save them. Veritas recommends that you upload the results to the My SORT website for ease of centralized analysis. Click **Upload** and enter your My SORT login information to upload the data to My SORT.
- 12** When you are finished, click **Finish** to close the utility.

To create a system-specific installation report for UNIX or Linux

- 1** Go to the SORT website:
<https://sort.veritas.com/netbackup>
- 2** In the **Installation and Upgrade** section, select **Installation and Upgrade custom reports by SORT data collectors**.
- 3** Select the **Data Collector** tab.
- 4** Download the appropriate data collector for your platform.

The data collector is OS-specific. To collect information about Windows computers, you need the Windows data collector. To collect information about UNIX computers, you need the UNIX data collector.
- 5** Change to directory that contains downloaded utility.
- 6** Run `./sortdc`

The utility performs checks to confirm the latest version of the utility is installed. In addition, the utility checks to see it has the latest data. The utility then lists the location of the log file for this session.
- 7** If requested, press **Enter** to continue.
- 8** Select the **NetBackup Family** at the **Main Menu**.

- 9** Select **Installation/Upgrade report** when prompted **What task do you want to accomplish?**

You can select multiple options by separating your response with commas.

- 10** Specify the system or systems you want included in the report.

If you previously ran a report on the specified system, you may be prompted to run the report again. Select **Yes** to re-run the report.

The utility again lists the location of the log files for the session.

The progress of the utility is displayed to the screen.

- 11** Specify **NetBackup** when prompted for the product you want installation or upgrade reports.

- 12** Enter the number that corresponds to the version of NetBackup you want to install.

The utility again lists the location of the log files for the session.

The progress of the utility is displayed to the screen.

- 13** The utility prompts you to upload the report to the SORT website if you want to review the report online. The online report provides more detailed information than the text-based on-system report.

- 14** When your tasks are finished, you can exit the utility. You have the option to provide feedback on the tool, which Veritas uses to make improvements to the tool.

Recommended SORT procedures for upgrades

Veritas recommends current NetBackup users perform the three procedures that are listed for an initial introduction to SORT. The tool has many other features and functions, but these serve as a good introduction to SORT for users who already use NetBackup. In addition, the procedures provide a helpful base of knowledge for other SORT functionality.

Table A-2

Procedure	Details
Create a Veritas Account on the SORT webpage	See "To create a Veritas Account on the SORT page" on page 36.

Table A-2 (continued)

Procedure	Details
Create a system-specific upgrade report	See “To create a system-specific installation report for Windows” on page 37. See “To create a system-specific installation report for UNIX or Linux” on page 38.
Review the future platform and feature plans. Review the hot fix and emergency engineering binary release auditor information.	See “To review future platform changes and feature plans” on page 40. See “To review hot fix and emergency engineering binary information” on page 40.

To review future platform changes and feature plans

- 1 In your web browser, navigate to:
<https://sort.veritas.com/netbackup>
- 2 Find and select the **NetBackup Future Platform and Feature Plans** widget.
- 3 Select **Display Information**.
- 4 Review the information provided
- 5 Optional - sign in to create notification - Click **Sign in and create notification**.

To review hot fix and emergency engineering binary information

- 1 In your web browser, navigate to:
<https://sort.veritas.com/netbackup>
- 2 Find and select the **NetBackup Hot Fix and EEB Release Auditor** widget.
- 3 Enter the hot fix or emergency engineering binary (EEB) information.
- 4 Click **Search**.
- 5 The new page shows a table with the following columns:

Hot fix of EEB Identifier	Shows the hot fix or EEB number that was entered on the previous screen.
Description	Displays a description of the problem that is associated with the hot fix or EEB.
Resolved in Versions	Provides the version of NetBackup where this issue is resolved.

NetBackup installation requirements

This appendix includes the following topics:

- [About NetBackup installation requirements](#)
- [Required operating system patches and updates for NetBackup](#)
- [NetBackup 8.3.0.1 binary sizes](#)

About NetBackup installation requirements

This release of NetBackup may contain changes to the minimum system requirements and procedures that are required for installation. These changes affect the minimum system requirements for both Windows and UNIX platforms. Much of the installation instructional information in the *NetBackup Release Notes* is provided for convenience. Detailed installation instructions are found in the *NetBackup Installation Guide*, the *NetBackup Upgrade Guide*, and the *NetBackup Getting Started Guide*.

See [“NetBackup installation and upgrade operational notes”](#) on page 17.

- Before you upgrade the NetBackup server software, you must back up your NetBackup catalogs and verify that the catalog backup was successful.
- Database rebuilds are likely to occur in each major, minor (single-dot), and release update (double-dot) version of NetBackup. Therefore, before upgrading to NetBackup 8.3.0.1, you must ensure that you have an amount of free disk space available that is equal to or greater than the size of the NetBackup database. That means for default installations, you are required to have that amount of free space on the file system containing the `/usr/openv/db/data` (UNIX) or `<install_path>\Veritas\NetBackupDB\data` (Windows) directories.

If you have changed the location of some of the files in either of these directories, free space is required in those locations equal to or greater than the size of the files in those locations. Refer to the *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume I* for more information about storing NBDB database files in alternate locations.

Note: This free disk space requirement assumes that you have already performed the best practice of completing a successful catalog backup before you begin the upgrade.

- Master and media servers must have a minimum soft limit of 8000 file descriptors per process for NetBackup to run correctly.
For more information about the effects of an insufficient number of file descriptors, refer to the following tech note on the Veritas Support website:
<http://www.veritas.com/docs/000013512>
- NetBackup master and media servers exchange server version information at startup, and every 24 hours. This exchange occurs automatically. During startup after an upgrade, the upgraded media server uses the `vmd` service to push its version information to all of the servers that are listed in its server list.
- Veritas recommends that you have the master server services up and available during a media server upgrade.
- All compressed files are compressed using `gzip`. The installation of these files requires `gunzip` and `gzip`, so make sure that they are installed on the computer before you attempt to install NetBackup. For all UNIX platforms except HP-UX, the binaries are expected to be in `/bin` or `/usr/bin` and that directory is a part of the root user's `PATH` variable. On HP-UX systems, the `gzip` and `gunzip` commands are expected to be in `/usr/contrib/bin`. Installation scripts add that directory to the `PATH` variable. These commands must be present to have successful UNIX installations.

Required operating system patches and updates for NetBackup

NetBackup server and client installations are only supported on a defined set of operating systems (OSs) that are listed in the [NetBackup compatibility lists](#). Most OS vendors provide patches, updates, and service packs (SPs) for their products. The best practice of NetBackup Quality Engineering is to test with the latest SP or update level of the OS when a platform is tested. Therefore, NetBackup is supported on all vendor GA updates (n.1, n.2, etc.) or SPs (SP1, SP2, and so on). However, if a known compatibility issue exists on a specific SP or updated OS level, this

information is identified in the compatibility lists. If no such compatibility issues are noted, Veritas recommends that you install the latest OS updates on your servers and clients before you install or upgrade NetBackup.

The compatibility lists include information about the minimum OS level that is required to support a minimum NetBackup version in the latest major release line. In some cases, new releases of NetBackup may require specific vendor OS updates or patches. [Table B-1](#) includes the OS updates and patches that are required for NetBackup 8.3.0.1. However, this information may sometimes change in between releases. The most up-to-date required OS patch information for NetBackup 8.3.0.1 and other NetBackup releases can be found on the [Veritas Services and Operational Readiness Tools \(SORT\) website](#) and in the [NetBackup compatibility lists](#).

See [“About NetBackup compatibility lists and information”](#) on page 49.

See [“About Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools”](#) on page 34.

Note: An OS vendor may have released a more recent update or patch that supersedes or replaces a patch that is listed in [Table B-1](#). The OS patches that are listed here and in SORT should be considered at the minimum patch level that is required to install and run NetBackup. Any OS updates, patches, or patch bundles that supersede or replace those listed in [Table B-1](#) are supported unless otherwise specified. Veritas recommends that you visit the Support website of your particular OS vendor for their latest patch information.

Note: Any required patch that is listed in [Table B-1](#) for the NetBackup client should also be installed on your master servers and media servers to ensure proper client functionality.

Table B-1 Required operating system patches and updates for NetBackup 8.3.0.1

Operating system type and version	NetBackup role	Patch	Notes
AIX 6.1		AIX run-time libraries 9.0.0.3 or later	The run-time libraries need to be at 9.0.0.3 or later. You may need to restart after you change to version 9.0.0.3.
Beijing Linx Software Corp Linux OS	Master, media, client	Kernel 2.6.32.26 or later	
CentOS 6.x	Master, media, client	Kernel 2.6.32-608.el6 or later	

Table B-1 Required operating system patches and updates for NetBackup 8.3.0.1 (*continued*)

Operating system type and version	NetBackup role	Patch	Notes
CentOS 7.x	Master, media, client	Kernel 3.10.0-241.el7 or later	
Debian 8	Master, media, client	Kernel 3.16.7-1 or later	More information is available: Debian 8 release notes
HP-UX	Client only	COMPLIBS.LIBM-PS32	If you install AT on an HP-UX platform, this patch is required.
HP-UX IA-64	Client only	Networking.NET-RUN: /usr/lib/libip6.sl	
	Client only	Networking.NET-RUN-64: /usr/lib/pa20_64/libip6.1	
	Client only	Networking.NET-RUN-64: /usr/lib/pa20_64/libip6.sl	
	Client only	Networking.NET2-RUN: /usr/lib/hpux32/libip6.so	
	Client only	Networking.NET2-RUN: /usr/lib/hpux32/libip6.so.1	
	Client only	Networking.NET2-RUN: /usr/lib/hpux64/libip6.so	
	Client only	Networking.NET2-RUN: /usr/lib/hpux64/libip6.so.1	
	Client only	Networking.NET2-RUN: /usr/lib/libip6.1	
HP-UX 11.31	Media	QPK1131 (B.11.31.1003.347a) patch bundle	This patch bundle is required for NetBackup media server support. It is an HP-UX March 2010 patch bundle.
Oracle Linux 6	Media, client	Kernel 2.6.32-504.14.1 or later	More information is available: Kernel security and bug fix update
Oracle Linux 7	Media, client	Kernel 3.10.0-229.7.1 or later	More information is available: Kernel security and bug fix update

Table B-1 Required operating system patches and updates for NetBackup 8.3.0.1 (*continued*)

Operating system type and version	NetBackup role	Patch	Notes
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6	Master, media, client	Kernel 2.6.32-504.16.2.el6 or later	More information is available: Red Hat tech note RHSA-2015:0864 - Security Advisory
Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7	Master, media, client	Kernel 3.10.0-229.7.2.el7 or later	More information is available: Red Hat tech note RHSA-2015:1137 - Security Advisory
SUSE Linux 11	Master, media, client	SUSE Linux Enterprise 11 Service Pack 3 or later	More information is available: Security update for Linux kernel:SUSE-SU-2014:1695-1
SUSE Linux 12	Master, media, client	Kernel 3.12.31 or later	More information is available: Security update for the Linux Kernel: SUSE-SU-2015:0068-1
	Client	KB952696	Contains the necessary updates to ensure that you can back up encrypted files.

Veritas recommends the following updates when you run NetBackup on Windows operating systems:

- Microsoft `storport` hot fix. This fix applies to Windows x86 and x64, on both SP1 and SP2: (required) <http://support.microsoft.com/?id=932755>
- Symantec AntiVirus. Update to latest version and latest update (required).
- The `Symevent` driver updates (required). Update to latest driver version.

NetBackup 8.3.0.1 binary sizes

[Table B-2](#) contains the approximate binary sizes of the NetBackup 8.3.0.1 master server, media server, and client software for the various supported operating systems. These binary sizes indicate the amount of disk space occupied by the product after an initial installation. Note that for the sizes listed in the table, 1 MB equals 1024 KB.

Note: As of NetBackup 8.3, the Java GUI and JRE packages are optional with most clients and media servers. The package sizes were calculated with the Java GUI and JRE included.

Note: Table B-2 and Table B-3 only list the supported operating systems. For up-to-date information about the specific operating system versions that NetBackup currently supports, check the Installation and Upgrade Checklist on the Services and Operations Readiness Tools (SORT) website, or the *NetBackup Operating System Compatibility List* document at <http://www.netbackup.com/compatibility>.

See “About Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools” on page 34.

Table B-2 NetBackup binary sizes for compatible platforms

OS	CPU Architecture	32-bit client	64-bit client	64-bit server	Notes
AIX	POWER		1721 MB	No longer supported	
Canonical Ubuntu	x86-64		1299 MB		
CentOS	x86-64		1305 MB	6148 MB	Media server or client compatibility only.
Debian GNU/Linux	x86-64		1300 MB		
HP-UX	IA-64		2213 MB	No longer supported	
Oracle Linux	x86-64		1306 MB	6161 MB	
Red Hat Enterprise Linux Server	POWER		314 MB		
Red Hat Enterprise Linux Server	x86-64		1306 MB	6150 MB	
Red Hat Enterprise Linux Server	z/Architecture		906 MB	No longer supported	Media server or client compatibility only.

Table B-2 NetBackup binary sizes for compatible platforms (*continued*)

OS	CPU Architecture	32-bit client	64-bit client	64-bit server	Notes
Solaris	SPARC		1250 MB	5589 MB	
Solaris	x86-64		1275 MB	5948 MB	
SUSE Linux Enterprise Server	POWER		313 MB		
SUSE Linux Enterprise Server	x86-64		1130 MB	5408 MB	
SUSE Linux Enterprise Server	z/Architecture		918 MB	No longer supported	Media server or client compatibility only.
Windows	x86-64		482 MB	2985 MB	Covers all compatible Windows x64 platforms.

The following space requirements also apply to some NetBackup installations on Windows:

- If you install NetBackup in a custom location on a Windows system, some portions of the software are installed on the system drive regardless of the primary application folder location. The space that is required on the system drive generally accounts for 40 to 50 percent of the total binary size that is listed in [Table B-2](#).
- If you install NetBackup server on a Windows cluster, some portions of the software are installed on the cluster shared disk. Note, the space that is required on the cluster shared disk is in addition to the binary size that is listed in [Table B-2](#). The additional required space is equivalent to 15 to 20 percent of the total binary size.

NetBackup OpsCenter

[Table B-3](#) contains the approximate binary sizes of the OpsCenter Agent, Server, and **ViewBuilder** for the various operating systems that are compatible with NetBackup OpsCenter 8.3.0.1.

Table B-3 NetBackup OpsCenter binary sizes for compatible platforms

OS	CPU Architecture	Agent	Server	ViewBuilder
Oracle Linux	x86-64		795 MB	
Red Hat Enterprise Linux Server	x86-64		755 MB	
SUSE Linux Enterprise Server	x86-64		759 MB	
Windows Server	x86-64	264 MB	699 MB	232 MB

NetBackup plug-ins

Disk space requirements for the NetBackup vCenter Web Client Plug-in and the NetBackup System Center Virtual Machine Manager Add-in can be found in the *NetBackup Plug-in for VMware vSphere Web Client Guide* and the *NetBackup Add-in for Microsoft SCVMM Console Guide*, respectively.

NetBackup compatibility requirements

This appendix includes the following topics:

- [About NetBackup compatibility lists and information](#)
- [About NetBackup end-of-life notifications](#)

About NetBackup compatibility lists and information

The *NetBackup Release Notes* document contains a great deal of the compatibility changes that are made between NetBackup versions. However, the most up-to-date compatibility information on platforms, peripherals, drives, and libraries can be found on the Veritas Operations Readiness Tools (SORT) for NetBackup website.

See “[About Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools](#)” on page 34.

For NetBackup, SORT provides an Installation and Upgrade Checklist report as well as the ability to collect, analyze, and report on host configurations across your environments. In addition, you can determine which release contains the hot fixes or EEBs that you may have installed in your environment. You can use this data to assess whether your systems are ready to install or upgrade to a given release.

NetBackup compatibility lists

In addition to SORT, Veritas has made available a variety of compatibility lists to help customers quickly reference up-to-date compatibility information for NetBackup. These compatibility lists can be found on the Veritas Support website at the following location:

<http://www.netbackup.com/compatibility>

Note: For information about which versions of NetBackup are compatible with each other, select a **Software Compatibility List (SCL)**, and then select **Compatibility Between NetBackup Versions** from within the SCL.

About NetBackup end-of-life notifications

Veritas is committed to providing the best possible data protection experience for the widest variety of systems: platforms, operating systems, CPU architecture, databases, applications, and hardware. Veritas continuously reviews NetBackup system support. This review ensures that the proper balance is made between maintaining support for existing versions of products, while also introducing new support for the following:

- General availability releases
- Latest versions of new software and hardware
- New NetBackup features and functionality

While Veritas continually adds support for new features and systems, it may be necessary to improve, replace, or remove certain support in NetBackup. These support actions may affect older and lesser-used features and functionality. The affected features and functionality may include support for software, OS, databases, applications, hardware, and 3rd-party product integration. Other affected items may include the products that are no longer supported or nearing their end-of-support life with their manufacturer.

Veritas provides advance notification to better help its customers to plan for upcoming changes to the support status of the various features in NetBackup. Veritas intends to list older product functionality, features, systems, and the 3rd-party software products that are no longer supported in the next release of NetBackup. Veritas makes these support listings available as soon as possible with a minimum of 6 months where feasible before major releases.

Using SORT

Advance notification of future platform and feature support including end-of-life (EOL) information is available through a widget on the Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools (SORT) for NetBackup home page. The NetBackup Future Platform and Feature Plans widget on the SORT for NetBackup home page can be found directly at the following location:

<https://sort.veritas.com/nbufutureplans>

NetBackup end-of-support-life (EOSL) information is also available at the following location:

https://sort.veritas.com/eosl/show_matrix

See “[About Veritas Services and Operations Readiness Tools](#)” on page 34.

About changes in platform compatibility

The NetBackup 8.3.0.1 release may contain changes in support for various systems. In addition to using SORT, you should make sure to review the *NetBackup Release Notes* document and the NetBackup compatibility lists before installing or upgrading NetBackup software.

See “[About new enhancements and changes in NetBackup](#)” on page 10.

<http://www.netbackup.com/compatibility>

Other NetBackup documentation and related documents

This appendix includes the following topics:

- [About related NetBackup documents](#)

About related NetBackup documents

Veritas releases various guides that relate to NetBackup software. Unless otherwise specified, the NetBackup documents can be downloaded in PDF format or viewed in HTML format from the [NetBackup Documentation Landing Page](#).

Not all documents are published with each new release of NetBackup. In the guides, you may see references to other documents that were not published for NetBackup 8.3.0.1. In these cases, refer to the latest available version of the guide.

Note: Veritas assumes no responsibility for the correct installation or use of PDF reader software.

All references to UNIX also apply to Linux platforms unless otherwise specified.

Documentation published with NetBackup 8.3.0.1

- *NetBackup Release Notes*
- *NetBackup Administrator's Guide, Volume I*
- *NetBackup Commands Reference Guide*
- *NetBackup Deduplication Guide*

- *NetBackup Emergency Engineering Binary Guide*
- *NetBackup for Hadoop Administrator's Guide*
- *NetBackup for Hbase Administrator's Guide*
- *NetBackup for OpenStack Administrator's Guide*
- *NetBackup SAN Client and Fibre Transport Guide*
- *NetBackup Status Codes Reference Guide*
- *NetBackup Troubleshooting Guide*