

Boot media

Install and maintain

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Boot media

Overview of boot media replacement - AFF C190

The boot media stores a primary and secondary set of system (boot image) files that the system uses when it boots. Depending on your network configuration, you can perform either a nondisruptive or disruptive replacement.

You must have a USB flash drive, formatted to FAT32, with the appropriate amount of storage to hold the image_xxx.tgz file.

- The nondisruptive and disruptive methods for replacing a boot media both require you to restore the var file system:
 - For nondisruptive replacement, the HA pair must be connected to a network to restore the var file system.
 - For disruptive replacement, you do not need a network connection to restore the var file system, but the process requires two reboots.
- You must replace the failed component with a replacement FRU component you received from your provider.
- It is important that you apply the commands in these steps on the correct controller:
 - The *impaired* controller is the controller on which you are performing maintenance.
 - The *healthy* controller is the HA partner of the impaired controller.

Check onboard encryption keys - AFF C190

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If you have a cluster with more than two nodes, it must be in quorum. If the cluster is not in quorum or a healthy controller shows false for eligibility and health, you must correct the issue before shutting down the impaired controller; see the Synchronize a node with the cluster.

Steps

- 1. Check the status of the impaired controller:
 - If the impaired controller is at the login prompt, log in as admin.
 - If the impaired controller is at the LOADER prompt and is part of HA configuration, log in as admin on the healthy controller.
 - If the impaired controller is in a standalone configuration and at LOADER prompt, contact mysupport.netapp.com.
- 2. If AutoSupport is enabled, suppress automatic case creation by invoking an AutoSupport message: system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message

MAINT=number_of_hours_downh

The following AutoSupport message suppresses automatic case creation for two hours: cluster1:*> system node autosupport invoke -node * -type all -message MAINT=2h

- 3. Check the version of ONTAP the system is running on the impaired controller if up, or on the partner controller if the impaired controller is down, using the version -v command:
 - If <Ino-DARE> or <10no-DARE> is displayed in the command output, the system does not support NVE, proceed to shut down the controller.
 - If <Ino-DARE> is not displayed in the command output, and the system is running ONTAP 9.6 or later, go to the next section.
- 4. If the impaired controller is part of an HA configuration, disable automatic giveback from the healthy controller: storage failover modify -node local -auto-giveback false or storage failover modify -node local -auto-giveback-after-panic false

Check NVE or NSE on systems running ONTAP 9.6 and later

Before shutting down the impaired controller, you need to verify whether the system has either NetApp Volume Encryption (NVE) or NetApp Storage Encryption (NSE) enabled. If so, you need to verify the configuration.

1. Verify whether NVE is in use for any volumes in the cluster: volume show -is-encrypted true

If any volumes are listed in the output, NVE is configured and you need to verify the NVE configuration. If no volumes are listed, check whether NSE is configured and in use.

- 2. Verify whether NSE is configured and in use: storage encryption disk show
 - If the command output lists the drive details with Mode & Key ID information, NSE is configured and you need to verify the NSE configuration and in use.
 - If no disks are shown, NSE is not configured.
 - If NVE and NSE are not configured, no drives are protected with NSE keys, it's safe to shut down the impaired controller.

Verify NVE configuration

1. Display the key IDs of the authentication keys that are stored on the key management servers: security key-manager key query



After the ONTAP 9.6 release, you may have additional key manager types. The types are KMIP, AKV, and GCP. The process for confirming these types is the same as confirming external or onboard key manager types.

- If the Key Manager type displays external and the Restored column displays yes, it's safe to shut down the impaired controller.
- If the Key Manager type displays onboard and the Restored column displays yes, you need to complete some additional steps.
- If the Key Manager type displays external and the Restored column displays anything other than yes, you need to complete some additional steps.
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- 2. If the Key Manager type displays onboard and the Restored column displays yes, manually back up the OKM information:
 - a. Go to advanced privilege mode and enter y when prompted to continue: set -priv advanced
 - b. Enter the command to display the key management information: security key-manager onboard show-backup
 - c. Copy the contents of the backup information to a separate file or your log file. You'll need it in disaster scenarios where you might need to manually recover OKM.
 - d. Return to admin mode: set -priv admin
 - e. Shut down the impaired controller.
- 3. If the Key Manager type displays external and the Restored column displays anything other than yes:
 - a. Restore the external key management authentication keys to all nodes in the cluster: security keymanager external restore

If the command fails, contact NetApp Support.

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- b. Verify that the Restored column equals yes for all authentication keys: security key-manager key query
- c. Shut down the impaired controller.
- 4. If the Key Manager type displays onboard and the Restored column displays anything other than yes:
 - a. Enter the onboard security key-manager sync command: security key-manager onboard sync



Enter the customer's 32 character, alphanumeric onboard key management passphrase at the prompt. If the passphrase cannot be provided, contact NetApp Support. mysupport.netapp.com

- b. Verify the Restored column shows yes for all authentication keys: security key-manager key query
- c. Verify that the Key Manager type shows onboard, and then manually back up the OKM information.
- d. Go to advanced privilege mode and enter y when prompted to continue: set -priv advanced
- e. Enter the command to display the key management backup information: security key-manager onboard show-backup
- f. Copy the contents of the backup information to a separate file or your log file. You'll need it in disaster scenarios where you might need to manually recover OKM.
- g. Return to admin mode: set -priv admin
- h. You can safely shut down the controller.

Verify NSE configuration

1. Display the key IDs of the authentication keys that are stored on the key management servers: security



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 - d. Return to admin mode: set -priv admin
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- e. Enter the command to display the key management backup information: security key-manager onboard show-backup
- f. Copy the contents of the backup information to a separate file or your log file. You'll need it in disaster scenarios where you might need to manually recover OKM.
- g. Return to admin mode: set -priv admin
- h. You can safely shut down the controller.

Shut down the controller - AFF C190

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Steps

a. Take the impaired controller to the LOADER prompt:

If the impaired controller displays	Then
The LOADER prompt	Go to Remove controller module.
Waiting for giveback…	Press Ctrl-C, and then respond ${\ensuremath{{\rm y}}}$ when prompted.
System prompt or password prompt (enter system password)	Take over or halt the impaired controller from the healthy controller: storage failover takeover -ofnode impaired_node_name
	When the impaired controller shows Waiting for giveback, press Ctrl-C, and then respond $_{\rm Y}$.

b. From the LOADER prompt, enter: printenv to capture all boot environmental variables. Save the output to your log file.



This command may not work if the boot device is corrupted or non-functional.

Replace the boot media - AFF C190

To replace the boot media, you must remove the impaired controller module, install the replacement boot media, and transfer the boot image to a USB flash drive.

Step 1: Remove the controller

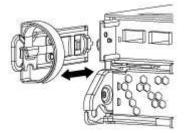
To access components inside the controller module, you must first remove the controller module from the system, and then remove the cover on the controller module.

Steps

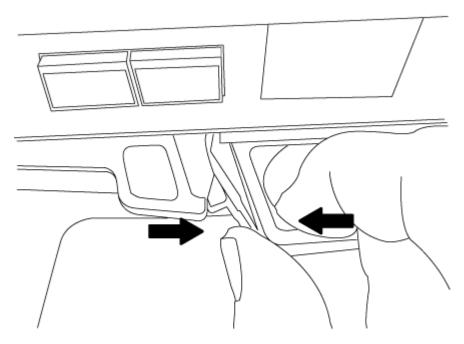
- 1. If you are not already grounded, properly ground yourself.
- 2. Loosen the hook and loop strap binding the cables to the cable management device, and then unplug the system cables and SFPs (if needed) from the controller module, keeping track of where the cables were connected.

Leave the cables in the cable management device so that when you reinstall the cable management device, the cables are organized.

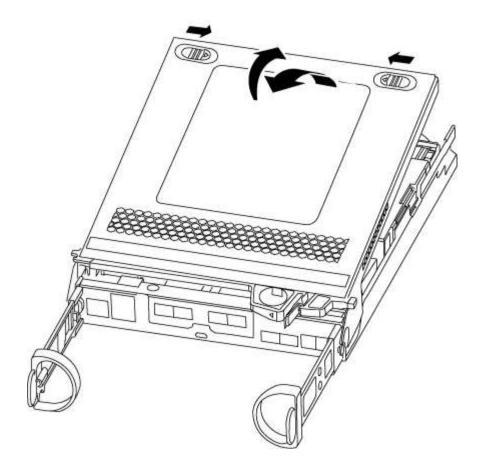
3. Remove and set aside the cable management devices from the left and right sides of the controller module.



4. Squeeze the latch on the cam handle until it releases, open the cam handle fully to release the controller module from the midplane, and then, using two hands, pull the controller module out of the chassis.



- 5. Turn the controller module over and place it on a flat, stable surface.
- 6. Open the cover by sliding in the blue tabs to release the cover, and then swing the cover up and open.



Step 2: Replace the boot media

You must locate the boot media in the controller module, and then follow the directions to replace it.

- 1. Locate the boot media using the following illustration or the FRU map on the controller module:
- 2. Press the blue button on the boot media housing to release the boot media from its housing, and then gently pull it straight out of the boot media socket.



Do not twist or pull the boot media straight up, because this could damage the socket or the boot media.

- 3. Align the edges of the replacement boot media with the boot media socket, and then gently push it into the socket.
- 4. Check the boot media to make sure that it is seated squarely and completely in the socket.

If necessary, remove the boot media and reseat it into the socket.

- 5. Push the boot media down to engage the locking button on the boot media housing.
- 6. Close the controller module cover.

Step 3: Transfer the boot image to the boot media

You can install the system image to the replacement boot media using a USB flash drive with the image installed on it. However, you must restore the var file system during this procedure.

- You must have a USB flash drive, formatted to FAT32, with at least 4GB capacity.
- A copy of the same image version of ONTAP as what the impaired controller was running. You can download the appropriate image from the **Downloads** section on the NetApp Support Site
 - If NVE is enabled, download the image with NetApp Volume Encryption, as indicated in the download button.
 - If NVE is not enabled, download the image without NetApp Volume Encryption, as indicated in the download button.
- If your system is an HA pair, you must have a network connection.
- If your system is a stand-alone system you do not need a network connection, but you must perform an additional reboot when restoring the var file system.

Steps

- 1. Align the end of the controller module with the opening in the chassis, and then gently push the controller module halfway into the system.
- 2. Reinstall the cable management device and recable the system, as needed.

When recabling, remember to reinstall the media converters (SFPs) if they were removed.

3. Insert the USB flash drive into the USB slot on the controller module.

Make sure that you install the USB flash drive in the slot labeled for USB devices, and not in the USB console port.

4. Push the controller module all the way into the system, making sure that the cam handle clears the USB flash drive, firmly push the cam handle to finish seating the controller module, push the cam handle to the closed position, and then tighten the thumbscrew.

The controller begins to boot as soon as it is completely installed into the chassis.

5. Interrupt the boot process to stop at the LOADER prompt by pressing Ctrl-C when you see Starting AUTOBOOT press Ctrl-C to abort....

If you miss this message, press Ctrl-C, select the option to boot to Maintenance mode, and then halt the controller to boot to LOADER.

6. Boot the recovery image:

boot_recovery ontap_image_name.tgz



If the image.tgz file is named something other than image.tgz, such as **boot_recovery** 9_4.tgz, you need to include the different file name in the **boot_recovery** command.

The system boots to the boot menu and prompts you for the boot image name.

7. Enter the boot image name that is on the USB flash drive:

image_name.tgz

After image_name.tgz is installed, the system prompts you to restore the backup configuration (the var file system) from the healthy controller.

8. Restore the var file system:

If your system has	Then
A network connection	a. Press ${f y}$ when prompted to restore the backup configuration.
	b. Set the healthy controller to advanced privilege level:
	set -privilege advanced
	c. Run the restore backup command:
	system node restore-backup -node local -target -address impaired_node_IP_address
	d. Return the controller to admin level:
	set -privilege admin
	e. Press ${f y}$ when prompted to use the restored configuration.
	f. Press \mathbf{y} when prompted to reboot the controller.
No network connection	a. Press ${f n}$ when prompted to restore the backup configuration.
	b. Reboot the system when prompted by the system.
	c. Select the Update flash from backup config (sync flash) option from the displayed menu.
	If you are prompted to continue with the update, press \mathbf{y} .

- 9. Verify that the environmental variables are set as expected.
 - a. Take the controller to the LOADER prompt.

From the ONTAP prompt, you can issue the command system node halt -skip-lif -migration-before-shutdown true -ignore-quorum-warnings true -inhibit -takeover true.

- b. Check the environment variable settings with the printenv command.
- c. If an environment variable is not set as expected, modify it with the setenv environment_variable_name changed_value command.
- d. Save your changes using the <code>saveenv</code> command.
- e. Reboot the controller.
- 10. The next step depends on your system configuration:

If your system is in…	Then
A stand-alone configuration	You can begin using your system after the controller reboots.

If your system is in…	Then	
An HA pair	After the impaired controller is displaying the Waiting for Giveback message, perform a giveback from the healthy controller:	
	a. Perform a giveback from the healthy controller:	
	storage failover giveback -ofnode partner_node_name	
	This initiates the process of returning ownership of the impaired controller's aggregates and volumes from the healthy controller back to the impaired controller.	
	(i) If the giveback is vetoed, you can consider overriding the vetoes.	
	HA pair management	
	 b. Monitor the progress of the giveback operation by using the `storage failover show-giveback` command. c. After the giveback operation is complete, confirm that the HA pair is healthy and that takeover is possible by using the storage failover show command. 	
	d. Restore automatic giveback if you disabled it by using the storage failover modify command.	

Boot the recovery image - AFF C190

You must boot the ONTAP image from the USB drive, restore the file system, and verify the environmental variables.

Steps

1. From the LOADER prompt, boot the recovery image from the USB flash drive:

boot_recovery

The image is downloaded from the USB flash drive.

- 2. When prompted, either enter the name of the image or accept the default image displayed inside the brackets on your screen.
- 3. Restore the var file system:

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	e. Press \mathbf{y} when prompted to use the restored configuration.
	f. Press ${\bf y}$ when prompted to reboot the controller.
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	b. Reboot the system when prompted by the system.
	c. Select the Update flash from backup config (sync flash) option from the displayed menu.
	If you are prompted to continue with the update, press \mathbf{y} .

- 4. Ensure that the environmental variables are set as expected:
 - a. Take the controller to the LOADER prompt.
 - b. Check the environment variable settings with the printenv command.
 - c. If an environment variable is not set as expected, modify it with the setenv environment variable name changed value command.
 - d. Save your changes using the saveenv command.
- 5. The next depends on your system configuration:
 - If your system has onboard keymanager, NSE or NVE configured, go to Restore OKM, NSE, and NVE as needed
 - If your system does not have onboard keymanager, NSE or NVE configured, complete the steps in this section.
- 6. From the LOADER prompt, enter the boot_ontap command.

If you see	Then
The login prompt	Go to the next Step.

If you see	Then
Waiting for giveback	a. Log into the partner controller.
	b. Confirm the target controller is ready for giveback with the storage failover show command.

- 7. Connect the console cable to the partner controller.
- 8. Give back the controller using the storage failover giveback -fromnode local command.
- 9. At the cluster prompt, check the logical interfaces with the net int -is-home false command.

If any interfaces are listed as "false", revert those interfaces back to their home port using the net int revert command.

- 10. Move the console cable to the repaired controller and run the version -v command to check the ONTAP versions.
- 11. Restore automatic giveback if you disabled it by using the storage failover modify -node local -auto-giveback true command.

Restore OKM, NSE, and NVE as needed - AFF C190

Once environment variables are checked, you must complete steps specific to systems that have Onboard Key Manager (OKM), NetApp Storage Encryption (NSE) or NetApp Volume Encryption (NVE) enabled.

- 1. Determine which section you should use to restore your OKM, NSE, or NVE configurations: If NSE or NVE are enabled along with Onboard Key Manager you must restore settings you captured at the beginning of this procedure.
 - If NSE or NVE are enabled and Onboard Key Manager is enabled, go to Restore NVE or NSE when Onboard Key Manager is enabled.
 - If NSE or NVE are enabled for ONTAP 9.6, go to Restore NSE/NVE on systems running ONTAP 9.6 and later.

Restore NVE or NSE when Onboard Key Manager is enabled

Steps

- 1. Connect the console cable to the target controller.
- 2. Use the boot ontap command at the LOADER prompt to boot the controller.
- 3. Check the console output:

If the console displays	Then
The LOADER prompt	Boot the controller to the boot menu: boot_ontap menu

If the console displays	Then
Waiting for giveback	a. Enter Ctrl-C at the prompt
	 b. At the message: Do you wish to halt this node rather than wait [y/n]?, enter: y c. At the LOADER prompt, enter the boot ontap menu command.

- 4. At the Boot Menu, enter the hidden command, recover_onboard_keymanager and reply y at the prompt
- 5. Enter the passphrase for the onboard key manager you obtained from the customer at the beginning of this procedure.
- 6. When prompted to enter the backup data, paste the backup data you captured at the beginning of this procedure, when asked. Paste the output of security key-manager backup show OR security key-manager onboard show-backup command



The data is output from either security key-manager backup show or security key-manager onboard show-backup command.

Example of backup data:

-----BEGIN BACKUP------

-----END BACKUP-----

7. At the Boot Menu select the option for Normal Boot.

The system boots to Waiting for giveback... prompt.

- 8. Move the console cable to the partner controller and login as "admin".
- 9. Confirm the target controller is ready for giveback with the storage failover show command.
- 10. Giveback only the CFO aggregates with the storage failover giveback -fromnode local -only-cfo-aggregates true command.
 - If the command fails because of a failed disk, physically disengage the failed disk, but leave the disk in the slot until a replacement is received.

 If the command fails because of an open CIFS sessions, check with customer how to close out CIFS sessions.



Terminating CIFS can cause loss of data.

- If the command fails because the partner "not ready", wait 5 minutes for the NVMEMs to synchronize.
- If the command fails because of an NDMP, SnapMirror, or SnapVault process, disable the process. See the appropriate Documentation Center for more information.
- 11. Once the giveback completes, check the failover and giveback status with the storage failover show and `storage failover show-giveback` commands.

Only the CFO aggregates (root aggregate and CFO style data aggregates) will be shown.

- 12. Move the console cable to the target controller.
 - a. If you are running ONTAP 9.6 or later, run the security key-manager onboard sync:
 - b. Run the security key-manager onboard sync command and then enter the passphrase when prompted.
 - c. Enter the security key-manager key query command to see a detailed view of all keys stored in the onboard key manager and verify that the Restored column = yes/true for all authentication keys.



If the Restored column = anything other than yes/true, contact Customer Support.

- d. Wait 10 minutes for the key to synchronize across the cluster.
- 13. Move the console cable to the partner controller.
- 14. Give back the target controller using the storage failover giveback -fromnode local command.
- 15. Check the giveback status, 3 minutes after it reports complete, using the storage failover show command.

If giveback is not complete after 20 minutes, contact Customer Support.

16. At the clustershell prompt, enter the net int show -is-home false command to list the logical interfaces that are not on their home controller and port.

If any interfaces are listed as false, revert those interfaces back to their home port using the net int revert -vserver Cluster -lif *nodename* command.

- 17. Move the console cable to the target controller and run the version -v command to check the ONTAP versions.
- 18. Restore automatic giveback if you disabled it by using the storage failover modify -node local -auto-giveback true command.

Restore NSE/NVE on systems running ONTAP 9.6 and later

Steps

1. Connect the console cable to the target controller.

- 2. Use the boot_ontap command at the LOADER prompt to boot the controller.
- 3. Check the console output:

If the console displays	Then
The login prompt	Go to Step 7.
Waiting for giveback	a. Log into the partner controller.b. Confirm the target controller is ready for giveback with the storage failover show command.

- 4. Move the console cable to the partner controller and give back the target controller storage using the storage failover giveback -fromnode local -only-cfo-aggregates true local command.
 - If the command fails because of a failed disk, physically disengage the failed disk, but leave the disk in the slot until a replacement is received.
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- 5. Wait 3 minutes and check the failover status with the storage failover show command.
- 6. At the clustershell prompt, enter the net int show -is-home false command to list the logical interfaces that are not on their home controller and port.

If any interfaces are listed as false, revert those interfaces back to their home port using the net int revert -vserver Cluster -lif *nodename* command.

- 7. Move the console cable to the target controller and run the version -v command to check the ONTAP versions.
- 8. Restore automatic giveback if you disabled it by using the storage failover modify -node local -auto-giveback true command.
- 9. Use the storage encryption disk show at the clustershell prompt, to review the output.
- 10. Use the security key-manager key query command to display the key IDs of the authentication keys that are stored on the key management servers.
 - If the Restored column = yes/true, you are done and can proceed to complete the replacement process.
 - If the Key Manager type = external and the Restored column = anything other than yes/true, use the security key-manager external restore command to restore the key IDs of the authentication keys.



If the command fails, contact Customer Support.

• If the Key Manager type = onboard and the Restored column = anything other than yes/true, use the security key-manager onboard sync command to re-sync the Key Manager type.

Use the security key-manager key query command to verify that the Restored column = yes/true for all authentication keys.

- 11. Connect the console cable to the partner controller.
- 12. Give back the controller using the storage failover giveback -fromnode local command.
- 13. Restore automatic giveback if you disabled it by using the storage failover modify -node local -auto-giveback true command.

Return the failed part to NetApp - AFF C190

Return the failed part to NetApp, as described in the RMA instructions shipped with the kit. See the Part Return & Replacements page for further information.

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