



Release notes

ASA r2

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Learn about the new capabilities available in ONTAP 9.16.0 for ASA r2 systems.

Platforms

Update	Description
New platforms	<p>The following new NetApp ASA r2 systems are available. These platforms deliver a unified hardware and software solution that creates a simplified experience specific to the needs of SAN-only customers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ASA A1K• ASA A70• ASA A90

System Manager

Update	Description
Streamlined support for SAN-only customers	System Manager is streamlined to provide support for essential SAN functionality while removing visibility of features and functions not supported in SAN environments.

Storage management

Update	Description
Simplified storage management	<p>ASA r2 systems introduce the use of storage units with consistency groups for simplified storage management.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A <i>storage unit</i> makes storage space available to your SAN hosts for data operations. A storage unit refers to a LUN for SCSI hosts or an NVMe namespace for NVMe hosts.• A <i>consistency group</i> is a collection of storage units that are managed as a single unit.

Data security

Update	Description
Onboard key manager and dual-layer encryption	ASA r2 systems support an onboard key manager and dual-layer (hardware and software) encryption.

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