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Choose ONTAP target version 9.10 or later

Before choosing the ONTAP version for the storage system, it is very important to identify the benefits and understand the risks associated with the ONTAP target version.

You can choose the target version and compare it with the current version to understand the benefits of updating to the specific version on ONTAP. You can also see the risks that will be resolved and the new risks (if any) that will arise on updating to the specific version of ONTAP.



You can use this feature only if you are running ONTAP 9.10 or later versions.

Steps

1. From the BlueXP left navigation, select **Health > Software updates**.

The list of cluster that require an software update is displayed. You can either update to the recommended target version or choose another version.

If you	Do this
Want to update to the recommended version	 In the Target version column, click Compare versions to view the feature benefits and risks benefits of updating to the recommended ONTAP version.
	 Select and view information about the risks that will be resolved, risk that will continue to remain, and the new risks that will be introduced after the update.
	Optionally, click Download update plan to download the a copy of the update plan.
	4. Click Start update to initiate the update process.
Want to choose another version	1. In the Target version column, click the drop-down and select Choose other versions .
	2. Select the version to view the feature benefits and risks benefits.
	 Select and view information about the risks that will be resolved, risk that will continue to remain, and the new risks that will be introduced after the update.
	 Optionally, click Download update plan to download the a copy of the update plan.
	5. Click Start update to initiate the update process.

Fix and acknowledge ONTAP blockers

After you have identified the ONTAP target version for your ONTAP storage system, you should fix and acknowledge all blockers and review the warnings before updating the ONTAP storage system.

Fixing and acknowledging all blockers is mandatory and ensures a seamless software update process.

Steps

1. From the BlueXP left navigation, select **Health > Software updates**.

The list of cluster that require an software update is displayed.

- 2. Identify the ONTAP target version for your storage system. For information about identifying the ONTAP target version, see Choose ONTAP target version 9.10 or later.
- 3. After you have decided on the ONTAP target version, click **Prepare for update** to initiate the update process.

The list of blockers and warnings are displayed.

- 4. Select the blocker to view the instructions to fix the blocker.
- 5. Manually perform the steps provided to fix the blocker.
- Select the blockers that have been fixed and click Acknowledge selected to acknowledge that that blockers have been fixed.



You must fix and acknowledge all the blockers to proceed with the update.

- 7. Click Warnings tab to review the warnings before proceeding with the software update.
- 8. Click Acknowledge tab to view the blockers that have been fixed.
- 9. Click Continue to update to proceed with the update process.

Complete ONTAP storage system update

After you have identified the ONTAP target version, fixed and acknowledged all the blockers, you can now complete the update of your ONTAP storage system.

Steps

1. From the BlueXP left navigation, select **Health > Software updates**.

The list of cluster that require an software update is displayed.

- 2. Identify the ONTAP target version for your storage system. For information about identifying the ONTAP target version, see Choose ONTAP target version 9.10 or later.
- Fix and acknowledge the ONTAP blockers. For information about fixing blockers, see Fix and acknowledge ONTAP blockers.
- 4. Read and accept the End user license agreement.

Wait for the ONTAP image to be retrieved.

5. Click Install Update to complete the update process.

Validate the status of ONTAP storage system update

After the ONTAP update process is complete, you should check the status of the ONTAP update.

Steps

- 1. From the BlueXP left navigation, select **Health > Software updates**.
- 2. Click the **History** tab to view the status of the ONTAP update.



It takes 2 to 3 hours for the cluster to reflect in the history tab.

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