



Edit snapshot retention

Element Software

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You can change the retention period for a snapshot to control when or if the system deletes snapshots. The retention period you specify begins when you enter the new interval. When you set a retention period, you can select a period that begins at the current time (retention is not calculated from the snapshot creation time). You can specify intervals in minutes, hours, and days.

Steps

1. Click **Data Protection > Snapshots**.
2. Click the **Actions** icon for the snapshot you want to edit.
3. In the resulting menu, click **Edit**.
4. **Optional:** Select the **Include Snapshot in Replication When Paired** check box to ensure that the snapshot is captured in replication when the parent volume is paired.
5. **Optional:** Select a retention option for the snapshot:
 - Click **Keep Forever** to retain the snapshot on the system indefinitely.
 - Click **Set Retention Period** and use the date spin boxes to select a length of time for the system to retain the snapshot.
6. Click **Save Changes**.

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