



Manage configuration backups

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Manage configuration backups

Support configuration-backup backups endpoint overview

Overview

This API supports creating, deleting and retrieving configuration backup files. Configuration backups can be 'cluster' or 'node' type. A 'cluster' backup contains cluster-wide configuration in addition to the configuration of each node in the cluster. A 'node' backup contains only node-specific configuration such as configuration files on the root volume and the boot variables. For creating a cluster backup, a cluster-wide job is queued. For creating a node backup, a private job local to the node is queued. In addition to the backups created using this API, ONTAP creates configuration backups automatically based on job schedules. This API supports creating configuration backups on demand only. It supports deleting and retrieving configuration backups that are created automatically or on demand. For information on configuration backup settings for automatically created backups, see [DOC /support/configuration-backup](#)

Examples

Retrieving a list of configuration backup files

```
# The API:
/api/support/configuration-backup/backups

# The call:
curl -X GET "https://<mgmt-ip>/api/support/configuration-backup/backups"
-H "accept: application/hal+json"

# The response:
{
  "records": [
    {
      "node": {
        "uuid": "5cafe0f6-499f-11e9-b644-005056bbcf93",
        "name": "node1",
        "_links": {
          "self": {
            "href": "/api/cluster/nodes/5cafe0f6-499f-11e9-b644-005056bbcf93"
          }
        }
      },
      "name": "backup1.7z",
      "_links": {
        "self": {
          "href": "/api/support/configuration-backup/backups/5cafe0f6-499f-11e9-b644-005056bbcf93/backup1.7z"
        }
      }
    }
  ],
  "num_records": 1,
  "_links": {
    "self": {
      "href": "/api/support/configuration-backup/backups"
    }
  }
}
```

Retrieving details of the specified configuration backup file

```
# The API:
/api/support/configuration-backup/backups/{node.uuid}/{name}

# The call:
curl -X GET "https://<mgmt-ip>/api/support/configuration-
backup/backups/bc2f15d0-8b93-11e9-90e9-005056bb6a30/backup1.7z" -H
"accept: application/hal+json"

# The response:
{
  "node": {
    "uuid": "bc2f15d0-8b93-11e9-90e9-005056bb6a30",
    "name": "node1",
    "_links": {
      "self": {
        "href": "/api/cluster/nodes/bc2f15d0-8b93-11e9-90e9-005056bb6a30"
      }
    }
  },
  "name": "backup1.7z",
  "type": "cluster",
  "time": "2019-06-10T13:35:06-04:00",
  "size": 6058408,
  "backup_nodes": [
    {
      "name": "node1"
    },
    {
      "name": "node2"
    }
  ],
  "version": "9.7.0",
  "auto": false,
  "download_link": "https://10.224.66.113/backups/backup1.7z",
  "_links": {
    "self": {
      "href": "/api/support/configuration-backup/backups/bc2f15d0-8b93-11e9-
90e9-005056bb6a30/backup1.7z"
    }
  }
}
```

Creating a configuration backup file

```
# The API:
/api/support/configuration-backup/backups

# The call:
curl -X POST "https://<mgmt-ip>/api/support/configuration-backup/backups"
-H "accept: application/hal+json" -d "@create_backup.txt"
create_backup.txt:
{
  "node":
    {
      "uuid": "ac13c636-4fc9-11e9-94c2-005056bb2516",
      "name": "node1"
    },
  "name": "backup3.7z"
}

# The response header:
HTTP/1.1 202 Accepted
Date: Tue, 26 Mar 2019 14:26:24 GMT
Server: libzapid-httpd
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
Cache-Control: no-cache,no-store,must-revalidate
Location: /api/support/configuration-backup/backups/ac13c636-4fc9-11e9-94c2-005056bb2516/backup3.7z
Content-Length: 189
Content-Type: application/hal+json
{
  "job": {
    "uuid": "22acfb68-4fd3-11e9-94c2-005056bb2516",
    "_links": {
      "self": {
        "href": "/api/cluster/jobs/22acfb68-4fd3-11e9-94c2-005056bb2516"
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Deleting a configuration backup file

```
# The API:
/api/support/configuration-backup/backups/{node.uuid}/{name}

# The call:
curl -X DELETE "https://<mgmt-ip>/api/support/configuration-
backup/backups/5cafe0f6-499f-11e9-b644-005056bbcf93/backup1.7z" -H
"content-type: application/json"

# The response header:
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Date: Tue, 26 Mar 2019 14:32:23 GMT
Server: libzapid-httpd
X-Content-Type-Options: nosniff
Cache-Control: no-cache,no-store,must-revalidate
Content-Length: 3
Content-Type: application/hal+json
```

Retrieve configuration backup files

GET /support/configuration-backup/backups

Introduced In: 9.7

Retrieves a list of configuration backup files.

Related ONTAP commands

- `system configuration backup show`

Parameters

Name	Type	In	Required	Description
name	string	query	False	Filter by name
backup_nodes.name	string	query	False	Filter by backup_nodes.name
size	integer	query	False	Filter by size
auto	boolean	query	False	Filter by auto
time	string	query	False	Filter by time

Name	Type	In	Required	Description
download_link	string	query	False	Filter by download_link
node.uuid	string	query	False	Filter by node.uuid
node.name	string	query	False	Filter by node.name
type	string	query	False	Filter by type
version	string	query	False	Filter by version
max_records	integer	query	False	Limit the number of records returned.
return_records	boolean	query	False	The default is true for GET calls. When set to false, only the number of records is returned. • Default value: 1
return_timeout	integer	query	False	The number of seconds to allow the call to execute before returning. When iterating over a collection, the default is 15 seconds. ONTAP returns earlier if either max records or the end of the collection is reached. • Default value: 1 • Max value: 120 • Min value: 0
order_by	array[string]	query	False	Order results by specified fields and optional [asc
desc] direction. Default direction is 'asc' for ascending.	fields	array[string]	query	False

Response

Status: 200, Ok

Name	Type	Description
_links	_links	
num_records	integer	Number of records
records	array[configuration_backup_file]	

Example response

```
{
  "_links": {
    "next": {
      "href": "/api/resourcelink"
    },
    "self": {
      "href": "/api/resourcelink"
    }
  },
  "num_records": 1,
  "records": [
    {
      "backup_nodes": [
        {
          "name": "string"
        }
      ],
      "download_link": "https://10.224.65.198/backups/backup_file.7z",
      "name": "backup_file.7z",
      "node": {
        "_links": {
          "self": {
            "href": "/api/resourcelink"
          }
        },
        "name": "node1",
        "uuid": "1cd8a442-86d1-11e0-ae1c-123478563412"
      },
      "size": 4787563,
      "time": "2019-02-04 13:33:48 -0500",
      "type": "string",
      "version": "9.7.0"
    }
  ]
}
```

Error

Status: Default, Error

Name	Type	Description
error	returned_error	

Example error

```
{
  "error": {
    "arguments": [
      {
        "code": "string",
        "message": "string"
      }
    ],
    "code": "4",
    "message": "entry doesn't exist",
    "target": "uuid"
  }
}
```

Definitions

See Definitions

href

Name	Type	Description
href	string	

_links

Name	Type	Description
next	href	
self	href	

backup_node

The node name in the backup.

Name	Type	Description
name	string	

_links

Name	Type	Description
self	href	

node

The node that owns the configuration backup.

Name	Type	Description
_links	_links	
name	string	
uuid	string	

configuration_backup_file

The configuration backup file.

Name	Type	Description
auto	boolean	Indicates if the backup was created automatically.
backup_nodes	array[backup_node]	The list of nodes included in the backup.

Name	Type	Description
download_link	string	The link to download the backup file.
name	string	The backup name.
node	node	The node that owns the configuration backup.
size	integer	The size of the backup in bytes.
time	string	The backup creation time.
type	string	The backup type.
version	string	The software version.

error_arguments

Name	Type	Description
code	string	Argument code
message	string	Message argument

returned_error

Name	Type	Description
arguments	array[error_arguments]	Message arguments
code	string	Error code
message	string	Error message
target	string	The target parameter that caused the error.

Create a configuration backup

POST /support/configuration-backup/backups

Introduced In: 9.7

Creates a configuration backup. The required backup file name must end with .7z extension.

Required properties

- `node.uuid` or `node.name` - The node UUID or node name on which the configuration backup will be created.
- `name` - The backup file name

Related ONTAP commands

- `system configuration backup create`

Parameters

Name	Type	In	Required	Description
<code>return_timeout</code>	integer	query	False	The number of seconds to allow the call to execute before returning. When doing a POST, PATCH, or DELETE operation on a single record, the default is 0 seconds. This means that if an asynchronous operation is started, the server immediately returns HTTP code 202 (Accepted) along with a link to the job. If a non-zero value is specified for POST, PATCH, or DELETE operations, ONTAP waits that length of time to see if the job completes so it can return something other than 202. • Default value: 1 • Max value: 120 • Min value: 0

Name	Type	In	Required	Description
return_records	boolean	query	False	The default is false. If set to true, the records are returned. • Default value:

Request Body

Name	Type	Description
auto	boolean	Indicates if the backup was created automatically.
backup_nodes	array[backup_node]	The list of nodes included in the backup.
download_link	string	The link to download the backup file.
name	string	The backup name.
node	node	The node that owns the configuration backup.
size	integer	The size of the backup in bytes.
time	string	The backup creation time.
type	string	The backup type.
version	string	The software version.

Example request

```
{
  "backup_nodes": [
    {
      "name": "string"
    }
  ],
  "download_link": "https://10.224.65.198/backups/backup_file.7z",
  "name": "backup_file.7z",
  "node": {
    "name": "node1",
    "uuid": "1cd8a442-86d1-11e0-ae1c-123478563412"
  },
  "size": 4787563,
  "time": "2019-02-04 13:33:48 -0500",
  "type": "string",
  "version": "9.7.0"
}
```

Response

Status: 202, Accepted

Name	Type	Description
job	job_link	

Example response

```
{
  "job": {
    "uuid": "string"
  }
}
```

Headers

Name	Description	Type
Location	Useful for tracking the resource location	string

Response

Status: 201, Created

Error

Status: Default

ONTAP Error Response Codes

Error Code	Description
5963818	Failed to queue private job.
5963819	Failed to queue cluster job.
5963871	Requested backup name is missing .7z suffix.

Also see the table of common errors in the [Response body](#) overview section of this documentation.

Definitions

See Definitions

backup_node

The node name in the backup.

Name	Type	Description
name	string	

href

Name	Type	Description
href	string	

_links

node

The node that owns the configuration backup.

Name	Type	Description
name	string	
uuid	string	

configuration_backup_file

The configuration backup file.

Name	Type	Description
auto	boolean	Indicates if the backup was created automatically.
backup_nodes	array[backup_node]	The list of nodes included in the backup.
download_link	string	The link to download the backup file.
name	string	The backup name.
node	node	The node that owns the configuration backup.
size	integer	The size of the backup in bytes.
time	string	The backup creation time.

Name	Type	Description
type	string	The backup type.
version	string	The software version.

job_link

Name	Type	Description
uuid	string	The UUID of the asynchronous job that is triggered by a POST, PATCH, or DELETE operation.

error_arguments

Name	Type	Description
code	string	Argument code
message	string	Message argument

returned_error

Name	Type	Description
arguments	array[error_arguments]	Message arguments
code	string	Error code
message	string	Error message
target	string	The target parameter that caused the error.

Delete a configuration backup

DELETE /support/configuration-backup/backups/{node.uuid}/{name}

Introduced In: 9.7

Deletes a configuration backup.

Related ONTAP commands

- `system configuration backup delete`

Parameters

Name	Type	In	Required	Description
node.uuid	string	path	True	UUID of the node that owns the configuration backup.
name	string	path	True	Name of the configuration backup to be deleted.

Response

Status: 200, Ok

Error

Status: Default

ONTAP Error Response Codes

Error Code	Description
5963826	Failed to delete backup file.

Also see the table of common errors in the [Response body](#) overview section of this documentation.

Name	Type	Description
error	returned_error	

Example error

```
{
  "error": {
    "arguments": [
      {
        "code": "string",
        "message": "string"
      }
    ],
    "code": "4",
    "message": "entry doesn't exist",
    "target": "uuid"
  }
}
```

Definitions

See Definitions

error_arguments

Name	Type	Description
code	string	Argument code
message	string	Message argument

returned_error

Name	Type	Description
arguments	array[error_arguments]	Message arguments
code	string	Error code
message	string	Error message
target	string	The target parameter that caused the error.

Retrieve configuration backup file details

GET /support/configuration-backup/backups/{node.uuid}/{name}

Introduced In: 9.7

Retrieves details of the specified configuration backup file.

Related ONTAP commands

- `system configuration backup show`

Parameters

Name	Type	In	Required	Description
node.uuid	string	path	True	UUID of the node that owns the configuration backup.
name	string	path	True	Name of the configuration backup.
fields	array[string]	query	False	Specify the fields to return.

Response

Status: 200, Ok

Name	Type	Description
auto	boolean	Indicates if the backup was created automatically.
backup_nodes	array[backup_node]	The list of nodes included in the backup.
download_link	string	The link to download the backup file.
name	string	The backup name.
node	node	The node that owns the configuration backup.

Name	Type	Description
size	integer	The size of the backup in bytes.
time	string	The backup creation time.
type	string	The backup type.
version	string	The software version.

Example response

```
{
  "backup_nodes": [
    {
      "name": "string"
    }
  ],
  "download_link": "https://10.224.65.198/backups/backup_file.7z",
  "name": "backup_file.7z",
  "node": {
    "_links": {
      "self": {
        "href": "/api/resourcelink"
      }
    },
    "name": "node1",
    "uuid": "1cd8a442-86d1-11e0-ae1c-123478563412"
  },
  "size": 4787563,
  "time": "2019-02-04 13:33:48 -0500",
  "type": "string",
  "version": "9.7.0"
}
```

Error

Status: Default

ONTAP Error Response Codes

Error Code	Description
5963777	Configuration backup file does not exist.

Also see the table of common errors in the [Response body](#) overview section of this documentation.

Name	Type	Description
error	returned_error	

Example error

```
{
  "error": {
    "arguments": [
      {
        "code": "string",
        "message": "string"
      }
    ],
    "code": "4",
    "message": "entry doesn't exist",
    "target": "uuid"
  }
}
```

Definitions

See Definitions

backup_node

The node name in the backup.

Name	Type	Description
name	string	

href

Name	Type	Description
href	string	

_links

Name	Type	Description
self	href	

node

The node that owns the configuration backup.

Name	Type	Description
_links	_links	
name	string	
uuid	string	

error_arguments

Name	Type	Description
code	string	Argument code
message	string	Message argument

returned_error

Name	Type	Description
arguments	array[error_arguments]	Message arguments
code	string	Error code
message	string	Error message

Name	Type	Description
target	string	The target parameter that caused the error.

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