



Host preparation for installing SnapDrive for UNIX

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Host preparation for installing SnapDrive for UNIX

You must prepare the host before you can install SnapDrive for UNIX on your system. As part of the host preparation, you must install the AIX Host Utilities.

Installing AIX Host Utilities

If your configuration requires AIX Host Utilities, you must install them and ensure that the system is set up correctly.

You should use the documentation that comes with AIX Host Utilities. It contains information about volume managers, multipathing, and the other features that you must set up before you install SnapDrive for UNIX.

Verifying the hosts are ready

You must verify that the hosts are ready. To start the verification operations, you should first test whether the host is connected to the storage system by entering the `ping filername` command.

You must also confirm that the hosts and the storage system can communicate with each other. To confirm this, execute the `snapdrive storage show -all` command and check if the hosts and storage system are communicating. Verify that the hosts are ready by performing certain operations:

- Confirm that you have set up the host and storage system correctly according to the instructions in the Host Utilities documentation for the host.
- Confirm that you have a configuration that uses NFS, and configure the exports file.
- Confirm that the host meets the minimum requirements for SnapDrive for UNIX, including the required operating system patches.

Related information

[ONTAP 9 NFS Reference](#)

[Data ONTAP 8.2 File Access and Protocols Management Guide for 7-Mode](#)

[NetApp Support](#)

[AIX Host Utilities 6.0 Installation and Setup Guide](#)

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