



# **Snapshot copy rename**

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# Snapshot copy rename

You can change the name of a Snapshot copy by using the `snapshot snap rename` command. A Snapshot copy that is across multiple storage systems or storage system volumes can also be renamed.

## Command to use to rename a Snapshot copy

Use the `snapshot snap rename` command to rename a Snapshot copy.

## Renaming a Snapshot copy that spans storage systems or volumes

For Snapshot copies that cross multiple storage systems or storage system volumes, rename all the related Snapshot copies.

You can also use this command to rename a Snapshot copy that is across multiple storage systems or multiple storage system volumes.

If you rename one of these Snapshot copies, you must also rename all the related Snapshot copies using the same name. This is because SnapDrive for UNIX uses a short name when it creates the Snapshot copy, even though it spans multiple storage systems or volumes. The `rename` command changes the name of the current Snapshot copy but it does not change the name of the related Snapshot copies in the other locations.

## Guidelines for renaming Snapshot copies

While renaming Snapshot copies, ensure that the two Snapshot copies do not have the same name.

Follow these guidelines when you use the `snapdrive snap rename` command:

- An error message occurs if you try to rename a Snapshot copy to a different storage system volume.
- An error message occurs if the new name for the Snapshot copy already exists. You can use the `-force` option to force SnapDrive for UNIX to change the name without generating an error message.

## Changing a Snapshot copy name

You can change the name of a Snapshot copy by using the `snapdrive snap rename` command. The Snapshot rename operation changes the name of the source Snapshot copy to the name specified by the target argument.

Before you execute this syntax, you must understand the options, keywords, and arguments mentioned in this command.

### Steps

1. Enter the following command to change the Snapshot copy name:

```
snapshot snap rename [-snapname] old_long_snap_name new_snap_name [-force [-noprompt]]
```

The following are examples of the `snapshot snap rename` command. The first command line includes the `-force` option because a Snapshot copy named `new_snapshot` copy already exists. In the second example, both Snapshot copy names use the long form of the name, but they both resolve to the same storage system volume.

```
snapshot snap rename -force filer1:/vol/vol1:oldsnap new_snapshot
```

```
snapshot snap rename filer1:/vol/vol1:FridaySnap  
filer1:/vol/vol1:Snap040130
```

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