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What's new with Azure Blob Storage in the NetApp Console

Learn what's new with Azure Blob Storage in the NetApp Console.

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BlueXP is now NetApp Console

BlueXP has been renamed and redesigned to better reflect its role in managing your data infrastructure.

The NetApp Console provides centralized management of storage and data services across on-premises and cloud environments at enterprise grade—delivering real-time insights, faster workflows, and simplified administration.

For details on what has changed, see the NetApp Console release notes.

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Ability to add new storage accounts from BlueXP

You have had the ability to view Azure Blob Storage on the BlueXP Canvas for quite a while. Now you can add new storage accounts and change properties for existing storage accounts directly from BlueXP. Learn how to add new Azure Blob storage accounts.

Get started

View your Azure Blob storage accounts

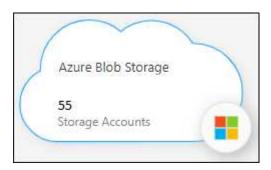
After you install a Console agent in Azure, the NetApp Console can automatically discover information about the Azure storage accounts that reside in the Azure Subscriptions where the Console agent is installed. An Azure Blob system is added to the Systems page so you can view this information.

You can see details about your Azure storage accounts, including the location, resource group, used capacity, and more. These accounts can be used as destinations for operations from NetApp Backup and Recovery, NetApp Copy and Sync, and NetApp Cloud Tiering.

Steps

- 1. Install a Console agent in the Azure account where you want to view your Azure Blob storage accounts.
- 2. From the navigation menu, select **Storage > Systems**.

You should automatically see an Azure Blob Storage system shortly after.



3. Select the system. If you want to enable NetApp data services with your Azure Blob storage, select an action from the right pane

See which data services are available and learn how to use them with your Azure Blob Storage accounts.

4. Select **Enter System** or double-click the system, to view details about the Azure storage accounts.

In addition to the columns that appear by default, you can scroll the page to view additional properties for the storage account; for example, the number of tags, and the type of encryption that has been enabled.

Next steps

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You can add new buckets by selecting Add storage account. Go here for details.

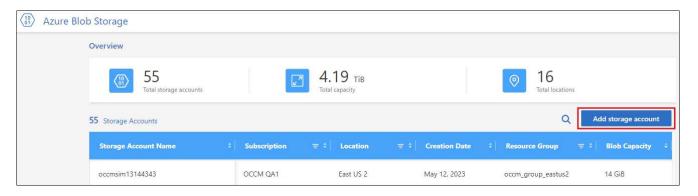
Manage Azure Blob storage accounts

Add Azure Blob storage accounts in the NetApp Console

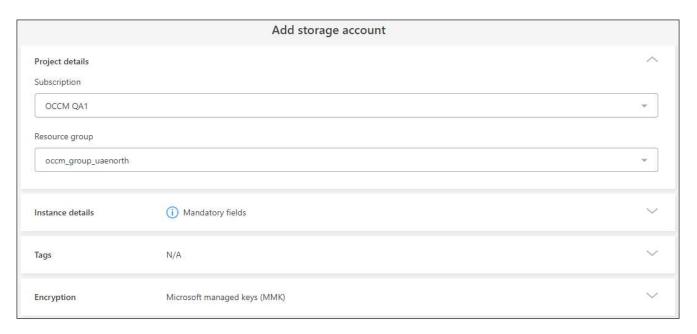
Once your Azure Blob Storage system is available in the NetApp Console systems page, you can add additional storage accounts directly from the Console.

Steps

- 1. From the Systems page, select the Azure Blob Storage system to view its overview page.
- 2. Select Add storage account.



The Add storage account page is displayed.



3. Enter the required information in the *Project details* section.

Field	Description
Subscription	Select the Azure subscription for the new storage account.

Field	Description
Resource group	Select an existing resource group for this storage account.
	Learn more about resource groups.

4. In the *Instance details* section, enter the name for the storage account, and select a region (or regions) for the storage account to be created in.

Field	Description
Storage account name	Enter the name you want to use for the storage account. The name must be between 3 and 24 characters in length, and it can contain numbers and lowercase letters only.
Azure Region	Select a region from the list where the storage account will be created. Select the appropriate region for your storage account. See the Microsoft documentation for information about Azure regions and availability zones. Not all regions are supported for all types of storage accounts or redundancy configurations. See the Microsoft documentation for information about Azure Storage redundancy. Additionally, the choice of region can have a billing impact. See the Microsoft
Performance type	documentation for information about Azure Storage account billing. Select whether you want to use Standard or Premium performance storage. See the Microsoft documentation for information about Types of storage accounts. • <i>Standard</i> performance is used for general-purpose v2 storage accounts.
	 Standard performance is used for general-purpose v2 storage accounts. This type of account is recommended for most scenarios. Premium performance is used for scenarios that require low latency. There are three types of premium storage accounts are available: Block blobs, File shares, and Page blobs.

5. In the *Tags* section, you can enter up to 10 tag key/value pairs to group your resources.

Tags are metadata that you can use to group resources to identify applications, environments, regions, cloud providers, and more. You can add tags to a storage account so that the tags are applied to objects when they are added to the storage account.

Tags are disabled by default in new storage accounts created by the Console. Learn more about tagging.

6. In the *Encryption* section, choose the type of data encryption you want to use to protect access to the data in the storage account.

Data encryption type	Description
Microsoft-managed keys	By default, Microsoft-managed encryption keys are used to encrypt your data.

Data encryption type	Description
Customer-managed keys	You can use your own customer-managed keys for data encryption instead of using the default Microsoft-managed encryption keys. If you're planning to use your own customer-managed keys, you'll need to have created them already so you can select the Key Vault and the Keys in this page.
	The keys can be in the same Subscription as the storage account, or you can select a different Subscription.

See the Microsoft Azure documentation for more information about Microsoft-managed keys, and more information about Customer-managed keys.

7. Select Add to create the bucket.

Change Azure Blob storage account settings in the NetApp Console

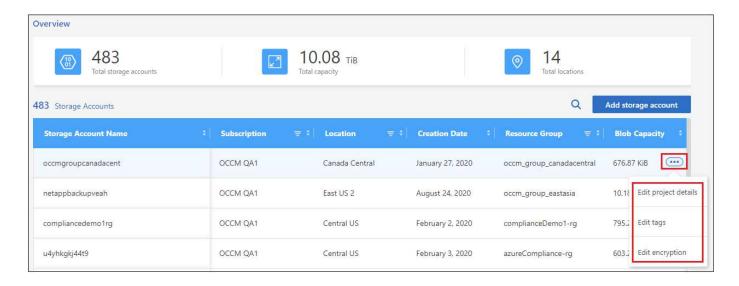
Once your Azure Blob Storage system is available in the Systems page, you can change some storage account properties directly from the NetApp Console.

Note that you can't change the storage account name, Azure region, or the performance type of the storage.

The storage account properties you can change includes:

- The Subscription and Resource Group for the storage account.
- · Add, change, or remove tags for the objects that are added to the storage account.
- Whether or not new objects added to the storage account are encrypted, and the option used for encryption.

You can change these storage account settings directly from the Connsole by selecting ••• for a storage account.



Change the Project details

In the Project details section you can change the Subscription and the Resource group for the storage account.

Field	Description
Subscription	Select a different Azure subscription for the storage account.
Resource group	Select a different resource group for the storage account.
	Learn more about resource groups.

Select **Save** to save the changes to the storage account.

Add or change tags for objects in the storage account

In the *Tags* section you can add up to 10 tag key/value pairs, or you can change or delete a tag key/value pair. Tags are applied to objects when they are added to the storage account. If you want to add more tags, select **Add new tag**.

Learn more about tagging from the Microsoft documentation.

Select Save to save the changes to the storage account.

Change the encryption setting

In the *Encryption* section, you can change the type of data encryption you want to use to protect access to the data in your storage accounts.

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Use NetApp data services with Azure Blob storage

After you discover Azure Blob storage accounts in the NetApp Console, you can use NetApp data services for backup, tiering, and data synchronization.

 Use NetApp Backup and Recovery to back up data from your on-premises ONTAP and Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems to Azure Blob storage.

To get started, navigate to the Systems page. Drag and drop an on-premises ONTAP or Cloud Volumes ONTAP system on your Azure Blob Storage system.

Learn more about backing up ONTAP data to Azure Blob storage.

• Use NetApp Cloud Tiering to tier inactive data from on-premises ONTAP clusters to Azure Blob storage.

To get started, navigate to the Systems page. Drag and drop an on-premises ONTAP system on your Azure Blob Storage system.

Learn more about tiering ONTAP data to Azure Blob storage.

• Use NetApp Copy and Sync to synchronize data to or from Azure Blob storage accounts.

To get started, navigate to the Systems page. Drag and drop the source system on the target system. Your Azure Blob Storage system can be either the source or target.

You can also select your Azure Blob Storage system then **Copy & Sync** from the Services panel to synchronize data to or from Azure Blob storage accounts.

Learn more about Copy and Sync.

Knowledge and support

Register for support

Support registration is required to receive technical support specific to the NetApp Console and its storage solutions and data services. Support registration is also required to enable key workflows for Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems.

Registering for support does not enable NetApp support for a cloud provider file service. For technical support related to a cloud provider file service, its infrastructure, or any solution using the service, refer to "Getting help" in the documentation for that product.

- Amazon FSx for ONTAP
- Azure NetApp Files
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Support registration overview

There are two forms of registration to activate support entitlement:

 Registering your NetApp Console account serial number (your 20 digit 960xxxxxxxxx serial number located on the Support Resources page in the Console).

This serves as your single support subscription ID for any service within the Console. Each Console account must be registered.

 Registering the Cloud Volumes ONTAP serial numbers associated with a subscription in your cloud provider's marketplace (these are 20 digit 909201xxxxxxxx serial numbers).

These serial numbers are commonly referred to as *PAYGO serial numbers* and get generated by the NetApp Console at the time of Cloud Volumes ONTAP deployment.

Registering both types of serial numbers enables capabilities like opening support tickets and automatic case generation. Registration is completed by adding NetApp Support Site (NSS) accounts to the Console as described below.

Register NetApp Console for NetApp support

To register for support and activate support entitlement, one user in your NetApp Console account must associate a NetApp Support Site account with their Console login. How you register for NetApp support depends on whether you already have a NetApp Support Site (NSS) account.

Existing customer with an NSS account

If you're a NetApp customer with an NSS account, you simply need to register for support through the Console.

Steps

- 1. Select Administration > Credentials.
- Select User Credentials.

- Select Add NSS credentials and follow the NetApp Support Site (NSS) authentication prompt.
- 4. To confirm that the registration process was successful, select the Help icon, and select Support.

The Resources page should show that your Console account is registered for support.

Note that other Console users will not see this same support registration status if they have not associated a NetApp Support Site account with their login. However, that doesn't mean that your account is not registered for support. As long as one user in the organization has followed these steps, then your account has been registered.

Existing customer but no NSS account

If you're an existing NetApp customer with existing licenses and serial numbers but *no* NSS account, you need to create an NSS account and associate it with your Console login.

Steps

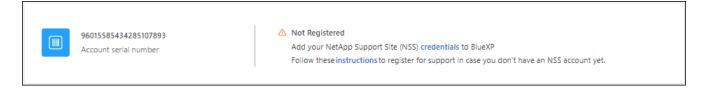
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 - a. Be sure to select the appropriate User Level, which is typically NetApp Customer/End User.
 - b. Be sure to copy the Console account serial number (960xxxx) used above for the serial number field. This will speed up the account processing.
- 2. Associate your new NSS account with your Console login by completing the steps under Existing customer with an NSS account.

Brand new to NetApp

If you are brand new to NetApp and you don't have an NSS account, follow each step below.

Steps

- 1. In the upper right of the Console, select the Help icon, and select **Support**.
- 2. Locate your account ID serial number from the Support Registration page.



- Navigate to NetApp's support registration site and select I am not a registered NetApp Customer.
- 4. Fill out the mandatory fields (those with red asterisks).
- 5. In the **Product Line** field, select **Cloud Manager** and then select your applicable billing provider.
- 6. Copy your account serial number from step 2 above, complete the security check, and then confirm that you read NetApp's Global Data Privacy Policy.

An email is immediately sent to the mailbox provided to finalize this secure transaction. Be sure to check your spam folders if the validation email doesn't arrive in few minutes.

7. Confirm the action from within the email.

Confirming submits your request to NetApp and recommends that you create a NetApp Support Site account.

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NetApp should reach out to you during this process. This is a one-time onboarding exercise for new users.

Once you have your NetApp Support Site account, associate the account with your Console login by completing the steps under Existing customer with an NSS account.

Associate NSS credentials for Cloud Volumes ONTAP support

Associating NetApp Support Site credentials with your Console account is required to enable the following key workflows for Cloud Volumes ONTAP:

Registering pay-as-you-go Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems for support

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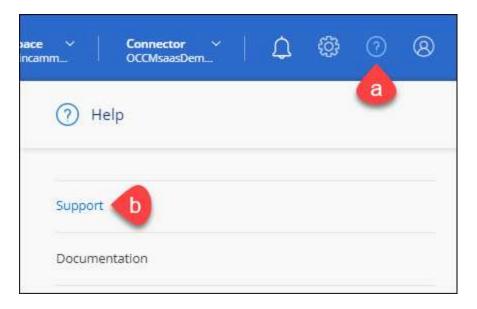
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- 2. Select NSS Management > Add NSS Account.
- 3. When you're prompted, select **Continue** to be redirected to a Microsoft login page.

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4. At the login page, provide your NetApp Support Site registered email address and password to perform the authentication process.

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Upon successful login, NetApp will store the NSS user name.

This is a system-generated ID that maps to your email. On the **NSS Management** page, you can display your email from the ••• menu.

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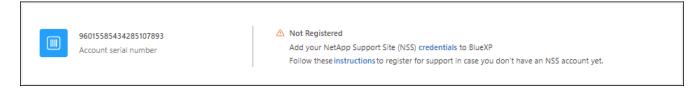
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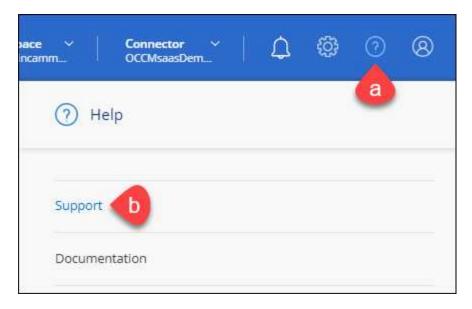
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