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Introduction

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [About upgrades to NetBackup Appliance software version 3.0 and the Red Hat Enterprise Linux operating system](#)

About upgrades to NetBackup Appliance software version 3.0 and the Red Hat Enterprise Linux operating system

Starting with NetBackup Appliance software version 2.7.1, Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) replaces the SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) operating system. You can upgrade any existing 5220, 5230, 5240 or 5330 appliances that currently use earlier software versions to version 3.0. In some situations, you may need to upgrade twice to get to version 3.0.

Note: The NetBackup 5200 Appliance does not support upgrade to versions 2.7.1 and later, due to Intel components that are not supported by RHEL version 6.6 or later.

This topic covers the following information that you should review before an upgrade to version 3.0:

[Supported upgrade paths](#)

[Preflight check before the upgrade](#)

[Third-party plug-ins for RHEL](#)

[Appliance behavior during upgrades](#)

[Changes during upgrades](#)

[About corresponding NetBackup software versions](#)

[About post upgrade tasks](#)

Supported upgrade paths

The following describes the supported upgrade paths to version 3.0:

- Direct upgrade path
The following appliances can be upgraded directly to version 3.0:
 - Any NetBackup 5220, 5230, or 5330 appliances with version 2.6.1, 2.6.1.x, and 2.7.x
 - NetBackup 5240 Appliance with version 2.7.3
- Two-step upgrade path
Any NetBackup 5220 or 5230 appliances with versions earlier than 2.6.1 must be upgraded twice to get to version 3.0. It is recommended that these systems first be upgraded to version 2.6.1.2, then upgraded to version 3.0.

Note: For appliances with versions earlier than 2.6.1, refer to the following document for upgrade instructions: *NetBackup Appliance Upgrade Guide - Software Releases through 2.6.1.2 - SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) Operating System*. Then use this document to upgrade to version 3.0.

Preflight check before the upgrade

When you attempt to upgrade to version 3.0, the upgrade script runs a preflight check that analyzes several system parameters to determine if the appliance is ready for the upgrade. The preflight check provides information about what was found and whether you can proceed with the upgrade. If the preflight check detects any issues that fail to meet the upgrade requirements, the upgrade is not allowed to proceed. You must address all of the reported issues before you can upgrade.

Refer to the following topic for more information:

See [“Pre-upgrade tasks for NetBackup Appliance version 3.0 upgrades”](#) on page 14.

Note: Upgrades to version 2.7.1 and later are not supported if you have installed Teradata binaries on the appliance. The RHEL operating system does not currently support the use of these binaries. The upgrade cannot proceed if the preflight check finds Teradata binaries on the appliance.

Third-party plug-ins for RHEL

Since all NetBackup appliances with version 2.6.1.2 and earlier use SLES version third-party plug-ins, upgrades to version 2.7.1 and later require use the appropriate RHEL versions to replace these plug-ins. The upgrade cannot proceed until all required RHEL third-party plug-ins are available in the preflight upgrade script.

Note: The preflight upgrade script only identifies those plug-ins that are required for the upgrade. At the time when version 2.7.1 was released, some third-party vendors had not yet completed development of their RHEL equivalent plug-ins. Make sure to check those vendor websites periodically for any additional plug-ins that you may need.

Refer to the following topic for installation details:

See [“Pre-upgrade tasks for NetBackup Appliance version 3.0 upgrades”](#) on page 14.

Appliance behavior during upgrades

The upgrade mechanism takes the following measures to ensure that the upgrade process completes successfully:

- Determines if the available update is newer than the version of software that is currently installed.
- Determines if there is enough available space on the appliance to install the release update.
- Stops the processes that are currently active on the appliance.
- Checks if there are any active NetBackup jobs. The upgrade process only proceeds if it is determined that no active jobs are detected.

The appliance software upgrade occurs only after the criteria are met. The version number updates to the appropriate release.

- Web services are unavailable during most of the upgrade process, which prevents access to the NetBackup Appliance Web Console. To view the upgrade progress during this time, run the following command from the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu:

```
Main > Manage > Software > UpgradeStatus
```

- For upgrades from 2.6.1 or 2.6.1.x to 2.7.x and later, the appliance restarts four times while the upgrade is in progress. The following describes what takes place at each restart:
 - First restart - installs the Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) operating system.

- Second restart - initializes the appliance using the new RHEL operating system.
- Third restart - restores the appliance configuration.
- Fourth restart - initializes the restored appliance configuration with the RHEL operating system.
 After the first restart, the NetBackup Appliance Web Console and any SSH-based connections to the server are unavailable until all restarts have completed. This condition may last 2 hours or more, depending on the complexity of the appliance configuration. Do not attempt to restart the appliance during this time. You can use the Veritas Remote Management interface (or IPMI) to view the system restart status. In addition, you may view the logs under `/log` or wait for the appliance to send an email upon completion of the upgrade process.
- For upgrades from 2.7.1 and later, the appliance restarts twice while the upgrade is in progress. The following describes what takes place at each restart:
 - First restart - updates the operating system and appliance software.
 - Second restart - initializes the restored appliance configuration.
- Before the upgrade has completed, a self-test is performed automatically. If the self-test fails, you are prompted to either retry the self-test or to roll back to the previous version.
- After a successful appliance upgrade, the Fibre Transport Media Server (FTMS) restarts automatically. As a result, the Fibre Channel (FC) ports must be re-scanned to allow any SAN Client computers to reconnect to the Fibre Transport (FT) devices. The upgrade procedures include the details on how to re-scan the FC ports.

Changes during upgrades

During the upgrade, the following change occurs:

- For upgrades from 2.6.1 or 2.6.1.x to 2.7.x or later, the Symantec Critical System Protection (SCSP) feature updates to version 6.5 and renames as Symantec Data Center Security (SDCS). For more information, refer to the following topic: See [“Post upgrade tasks for 3.0 upgrades”](#) on page 29.

About corresponding NetBackup software versions

NetBackup software version 8.0 is included with NetBackup Appliance release 3.0. [Table 1-1](#) lists the corresponding NetBackup versions for the recent NetBackup Appliance software releases.

Table 1-1 Appliance software releases and the corresponding NetBackup software versions

Appliance software release	NetBackup software version
2.7.3	7.7.3
3.0	8.0
3.1	8.1

About post upgrade tasks

After the upgrade has completed successfully, some options or configuration settings may change.

Refer to the following topic for a list of items to check after the upgrade:

See [“Post upgrade tasks for 3.0 upgrades”](#) on page 29.

Upgrade planning

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Guidelines and best practices for upgrading NetBackup appliances](#)

Guidelines and best practices for upgrading NetBackup appliances

This topic describes the guidelines and best practices that you should follow anytime you plan to upgrade appliance software. Use the following information to help prepare for an appliance upgrade and to help avoid situations that can prevent a successful upgrade.

Upgrade time estimation

Table 2-1 Upgrade scenarios and related time estimations

Model	Upgrade path	Estimated base time	Additional time considerations
5220	2.6.1 -> 3.0	2.5 - 3 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ For master server upgrades, add 30 minutes.
	2.6.1.x -> 3.0		
	2.7.x -> 3.0	1.5 - 2 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ For appliances that were previously upgraded from versions 2.0.x, 2.5.x, or 2.6.0.1, add 30 minutes.

Table 2-1 Upgrade scenarios and related time estimations (*continued*)

Model	Upgrade path	Estimated base time	Additional time considerations
5230	2.6.1 -> 3.0 2.6.1.x -> 3.0	2.5 - 3 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For master server upgrades, add 15 minutes.
	2.7.x -> 3.0	1.5 - 2 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For appliances that were previously upgraded from versions 2.5.4 or 2.6.0.1, add 30 minutes. For appliances with more than two Veritas Storage Shelf units, add 15 minutes.
5330	2.6.1 -> 3.0 2.6.1.x -> 3.0	2 - 2.5 hours	For appliances with Expansion Storage Shelf units, add 15 minutes for each unit.
	2.7.x -> 3.0	1.5 - 2 hours	
5240	2.7.3 -> 3.0	1.5 - 2 hours	N/A

For all the upgrade scenarios, refer to the following:

- Add 10 minutes for every 350,000 jobs on the master server. For example, add 30 minutes to a master server with a job list containing 1 million records.
- Add 5 minutes for every 250 VLANs that you have configured.

Upgrade guidelines

Review the following guidelines before you begin the upgrade:

- Always perform a full disaster recovery (DR) backup before an upgrade.
- To make sure that there is enough space for the new software update, delete all previously downloaded release updates, client packages, and client add-ons from the appliance before the upgrade. As a best practice, always remove downloaded packages after all appliances and clients have been upgraded. If the appliance that you want to upgrade has ever had appliance version 2.6.0.1 installed, it requires a different method for client package removal.

See [“Pre-upgrade tasks for NetBackup Appliance version 3.0 upgrades”](#) on page 14.

- Follow the same upgrade order for appliances as for traditional NetBackup upgrades. Always begin by updating the master server appliance, then upgrade all media server appliances.
- If you have multiple media servers to upgrade, you must perform the upgrade process on each individual media server.
- If a traditional NetBackup master server is used with a media server appliance, that master server must have the same NetBackup version or later as the media server appliance. For example, before you upgrade a media server appliance with NetBackup Appliance version 3.0, first upgrade the NetBackup on the master server to version 8.0.
See [“About corresponding NetBackup software versions”](#) on page 9.
- Make sure that the NetBackup master server is active and running throughout the duration of an appliance media server upgrade. In addition, make sure that the NetBackup processes are started or running on both the master server and the media server.

Note: Only NetBackup services should be active during an upgrade. All jobs must be stopped, suspended, or prevented from running during an upgrade.

See [“Pre-upgrade tasks for NetBackup Appliance version 3.0 upgrades”](#) on page 14.

- NetBackup clients must use the same or an earlier software version as the appliance. Clients cannot run at a later version than the appliance. For example, a client with NetBackup version 8.0 can only be used with an appliance server with version 3.0 or later. Client add-ons must also be the same as the client version.
See [“About corresponding NetBackup software versions”](#) on page 9.

Pre-upgrade tasks

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Pre-upgrade tasks for NetBackup Appliance version 3.0 upgrades](#)

Pre-upgrade tasks for NetBackup Appliance version 3.0 upgrades

To prepare for an upgrade to version 3.0, the following tasks must be performed on each appliance that you plan to upgrade:

[Stop all backup jobs and run a software self-test](#)

[Delete previously downloaded release updates, client packages, and client add-ons](#)

[Obtain necessary third-party plug-ins](#)

[Increase configuration volume size](#)

[Update firewall rules for new Veritas servers](#)

[Update disk drive firmware](#)

Stop all backup jobs and run a software self-test

The preflight check verifies whether there are any active jobs. To help ensure a successful upgrade, perform the following:

- Log on to the NetBackup Administration Console as the administrator.
- Before master server upgrades, pause all jobs and any SLPs (Storage Lifecycle Policies).
- Before media server upgrades, stop all jobs that are currently running and suspend the jobs that may start during the upgrade. You must prevent jobs from attempting to start on the media server during an upgrade.

- After all jobs have been stopped or suspended and all SLPs have been paused, run the following command from the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu for a validation test:
 - `Support > Test Software`
The software self-test result must show **Pass**.

Note: This command performs a backup and restore test to the `/tmp` directory. If the `/tmp` directory for the appliance you are upgrading is on the NetBackup exclude list, you must remove it from that list before you run the self-test command. Otherwise, the self-test fails.

Delete previously downloaded release updates, client packages, and client add-ons

To make sure that there is enough space for the installation of version 3.0, all previously downloaded release updates, client packages, and client add-ons must be removed from the appliance before the upgrade. If the appliance that you want to upgrade has ever had appliance version 2.6.0.1 installed, a different method is required for client package removal.

If you do not delete the previously downloaded packages and the `/inst` directory on the appliance does not contain enough space, the preflight check notifies you of the problem and prevents the upgrade.

Note: As a best practice, always remove downloaded packages after all appliances and clients have been upgraded.

The following table describes the package removal methods for appliances that never had version 2.6.0.1 installed. For appliances that had version 2.6.0.1 installed, refer to the information that appears below the table.

Table 3-1 Deleting previously downloaded release updates, client packages, and client add-ons (for appliances that never had version 2.6.0.1 installed)

NetBackup Appliance Web Console	NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On the appliance to be upgraded, log on using the NetBackup Appliance Web Console. ■ Select Manage > Software Updates. ■ In the Downloaded Software Updates table, click the radio button to the left of a release update, client package, or client add-on in the list, then click Delete. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On the appliance to be upgraded, log on using the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu. ■ To see a list of all downloaded release updates and client packages, enter the following command: <code>Manage > Software > List Downloaded</code> ■ To remove each downloaded release update and client package, enter the following command: <code>Manage > Software > Delete <i>update_name</i></code> Where <i>update_name</i> is the release update or the client package file name. ■ To see a list of all downloaded client add-ons, enter the following command: <code>Manage > Software > List AddOns</code> ■ To remove each downloaded client add-on, enter the following command: <code>Manage > Software > Rollback <i>eeb_name</i></code> Where <i>eeb_name</i> is the client add-on file name. Note: Do not include the <code>.rpm</code> extension when you enter the client add-on file name.

For appliances that once used version 2.6.0.1

If the appliance that you want to upgrade has ever had appliance version 2.6.0.1 installed, the client packages for that version remain on the appliance even if it has been upgraded to a later version. If the appliance was purchased with version 2.6.0.1 or if you ever upgraded to version 2.6.0.1, you must perform the following tasks to delete the 2.6.0.1 client packages. The only exception is if the appliance was re-imaged to a version different than 2.6.0.1.

To delete version 2.6.0.1 client packages from an appliance:

- Open a web browser or an SSH session to the Veritas appliance software update release page.
- Download and install any later version of the client packages onto the appliance.
- Delete the newly installed client packages from the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu. This action also deletes the 2.6.0.1 client packages.

Note: The client packages cannot be deleted from the NetBackup Appliance Web Console.

Obtain necessary third-party plug-ins

For upgrades from 2.6.1 or 2.6.1.x to 2.7.1 and later, the existing SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) third-party plug-ins must be replaced with the appropriate Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) versions. The preflight upgrade script only identifies those plug-ins that are required for the upgrade. Software releases starting with version 2.7.1 contain the required RHEL third-party plug-ins to perform the upgrade. For any additional plug-ins that you use in your environment, check the vendor website for availability. For appliances that have already been upgraded to version 2.7.x, some third-party plug-ins that were not previously available may be available now.

To install RHEL plug-ins, do the following:

- Locate the appropriate RHEL plug-ins from the listed vendor websites:

<http://www.cleversafe.com>
<http://www.datadomain.com/products>
<http://www.dell.com>
<http://www.emc.com>
<http://www.exagrid.com>
<http://www.falconstor.com/en/pages/?pn=VTL>
<http://www.fujitsu.com/global>
<http://www.getgreenbytes.com>
<http://www.hds.com>
<http://www.hp.com/go/ebs>
<http://www.huawei.com>
<http://www.ibm.com>
<http://www.necam.com/HYDRAsTOR>
<http://www.nexenta.com>
<http://www.oracle.com>
<http://www.quantum.com>

<http://www.sepaton.com>

<https://www.veritas.com/product/backup-and-recovery/netbackup-appliances?themeid=nbu-appliance>

If you have other third-party plug-ins that you use, those must also be replaced with the appropriate RHEL versions. See the appropriate vendor website for details.

- Open the following share from the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu: `Manage > OpenStorage > Share > Open`.

This command opens the `/inst/plugin/incoming` share for NFS and the `\incoming_plugins` share for Windows. Copy the required plug-ins to these locations.

- Close the share as follows: `Manage > OpenStorage > Share > Close`.

Note: For upgrades from 2.6.1 or 2.6.1.x, after the RHEL plug-in packages have been copied into the share and the share has been closed, do not run the `Manage > OpenStorage > List Available` command. The current 2.6.x SUSE appliance code flags the RHEL plug-in packages as invalid because the package naming conventions are different between SUSE and Red Hat environments. Since the appliance is still running on SLES, running the `List Available` command removes the RHEL plug-in packages from the share which prevents the upgrade.

Increase configuration volume size

During the upgrade to 3.0, if the configuration volume does not have enough space, the preflight check prevents the upgrade attempt. To avoid this problem, do the following to increase the configuration volume size before the upgrade or when the preflight check prompts you to increase it:

- Log on to the appliance from the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu.
- Enter `Main_Menu > Manage > Storage`, then run the following command:
`Resize Configuration 100GB`.

Update firewall rules for new Veritas servers

Due to the company separation of Veritas from Symantec, some important server changes occurred that affect NetBackup Appliance environments. These changes affect SORT, the NetBackup Product Improvement Program, appliance registration, and AutoSupport. Depending on your firewall settings and your proxy settings, you may need to make updates to maintain existing functionality. For specific information on these changes, refer to the following Tech Alert on the Veritas Support website:

<https://www.veritas.com/docs/INFO2803>

Update disk drive firmware

The preflight check for the disk drive firmware version alerts you if it detects a version that is earlier than 0006. Veritas recommends that before you upgrade the appliance software, you should first update the disk drive firmware to version 0006. This update addresses important disk drive performance issues.

Note: An earlier disk drive firmware version does not prevent the software upgrade from proceeding. If you do not update the disk drive firmware before the appliance software upgrade, Veritas recommends that you do so immediately afterward.

For complete details about updating the disk drive firmware, refer to following tech notes:

- NetBackup appliance models 5230 and 5330 with software versions 2.5 - 2.5.4
https://www.veritas.com/support/en_US/article.000108370
- NetBackup appliance models 5230 and 5330 with software versions 2.6.0.1 - 2.6.1.2
https://www.veritas.com/support/en_US/article.000108372

Performing the upgrade

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Methods for downloading appliance software release updates](#)
- [Installing a NetBackup appliance software update using the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu](#)

Methods for downloading appliance software release updates

The following describes the methods you can use to download appliance software release updates:

- [Downloading software updates directly to a NetBackup appliance](#)
- [Downloading software updates to a NetBackup appliance using a client share](#)

Downloading software updates directly to a NetBackup appliance

To use this method, the appliance requires Internet access to download the files or packages from the Veritas Support website.

To download software release updates directly onto the appliance

- 1 Open an SSH session and log on to the appliance as an administrator using the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu.
- 2 To determine if a software update is available from the Veritas Support website, enter the following command:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > List AvailablePatch
```

- 3 To download an available software update or a client package, enter the appropriate command as follows:

- For appliance server updates:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Download
SYMC_NBAPP_update-<release-version>.x86_64.rpm
```

Where *release* is the software release number and *version* is the version number of the software release. For example:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Download
SYMC_NBAPP_update-2.7.1-1.x86_64.rpm
```

- For a UNIX client package:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Download
SYMC_NBAPP_addon_nbclient_<platform>-<release>-<date>.x86_64.rpm
```

Where *<platform>* is the client platform operating system, *<release>* is the software release number, and *<date>* is the NetBackup client package date.

For example:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Download
SYMC_NBAPP_addon_nbclient_Solaris-7.7.1-20150910.x86_64.rpm
```

- For a Windows client package:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Download
SYMC_NBAPP_addon_nbwin-<release>-<date>.x86_64.rpm
```

Where *<release>* is the software release number and *<date>* is the NetBackup client package date.

For example:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Download
SYMC_NBAPP_addon_nbwin-7.7.1-20150910.x86_64.rpm
```

4 To verify that the rpm has downloaded successfully, enter the following command:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > List Downloaded
```

Downloading software updates to a NetBackup appliance using a client share

Use this procedure to download the software release updates or client packages to an appliance using a CIFS or an NFS client share.

Note: If downloading the software updates directly to the appliance fails, use this method to download the appliance software release update or client package onto the appliance.

Perform this method from a computer that is connected to the appliance and that also has Internet access. Internet access is needed to download the files or packages from the Veritas Support website to the appliance.

To download software release updates or client packages to the appliance using a CIFS or an NFS client share:

- 1 Open an SSH session and log on to the appliance as an administrator using the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu.

- 2 To open an NFS or a CIFS share, enter the following command:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Share Open
```

- 3 Map or mount the appliance share directory as follows:

- Windows CIFS share
`\\<appliance-name>\incoming_patches`

- UNIX NFS share

```
mkdir -p /mount/<appliance-name>
mount <appliance-name>:/inst/patch/incoming
/mount/<appliance-name>
```

- 4 This step describes the package file names for the release update packages and the client packages. After reviewing the names, continue with the remaining steps to download the files.

- Release updates
`NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.1of3`
`NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.2of3`
`NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.3of3`
Where <release> is the software release number and <version> is the version number of the software release. For example: 2.7.x-1.
To verify that the downloaded release update packages have the same MD5 or SHA1 checksums as those posted on the Veritas Support web site, do the following:
 - Enter the following URL for the Veritas Support site where the release updates and the client packages are posted:
https://www.veritas.com/content/support/en_US/58991.html
 - In the **How to...** section, click the download link for the posted software update.
 - On the README page, in the right column, click **Attachments**.
 - Verify that the checksums shown in the pop-up window match the downloaded file checksums.

- Client packages

```
SYMC_NBAPP_addon_nbwin_<release>-<date>.x86_64.rpm OR
SYMC_NBAPP_addon_nbclient_<platform>-<release>-<date>.x86_64.rpm
```

Where *<platform>* is the client platform operating system, *<release>* is the software release number, and *<date>* is the NetBackup client package date.

For example:

```
SYMC_NBAPP_addon_nbclient_HP-UX-IA64-7.7.1-20150910.x86_64.rpm
```

5 Use one of the following commands to join (and extract) the release update .rpm files:

- For Windows:

```
copy /b NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.1of3+
NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.2of3+
NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.3of3+
NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.tar
```

Note: This command must be entered as one string. Make sure that the only space in the name is after .3of3. In addition, *<release>* is the software release number and *<version>* is the posted version number.

Use Windows WinRAR utilities to uncompress the NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.tar file. The resulting files are as follows:

- SYMC_NBAPP_update-<release-version>.x86_64.rpm
- update.rpm.md5_checksum
- update.rpm.shal_checksum

- For UNIX:

```
cat
NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.1of3<space>
NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.2of3<space>
NB_Appliance_N_<release-version>.x86_64-tar-split.3of3 | tar
xvf -
```

Where *release* is the software release number and *version* is the version number of the software release. For example: 2.7.x-1.

Note: This command is one string. In this example, there is one space between each split package that is identified with a "<space>".

The resulting files are as follows:

- SYMC_NBAPP_update-<release-version>.x86_64.rpm
- update.rpm.md5_checksum
- update.rpm.shal_checksum

Note: To extract packages on UNIX systems, Veritas recommends that you use GNU tar version 1.16 or higher instead of tar. See the following Technote for more information about extracting images:

<https://www.veritas.com/docs/TECH154080>

- 6** For UNIX systems, run one of the following commands to compute the checksum value for the .rpm file:

```
md5sum SYMC_NBAPP_update-<release-version>.x86_64.rpm OR shalsum
SYMC_NBAPP_update-<release-version>.x86_64.rpm.
```

Verify that the checksum value matches the content of the update.rpm.md5_checksum file or the update.rpm.shal_checksum file.

- 7** Copy this release update or client package .rpm to the mounted share.

Note: During the copy process, do not run any commands on the appliance. Doing so can cause the copy operation to fail.

- 8** After you have successfully copied the release update or client package .rpm into the mounted share, unmap or unmount the shared directory.
- 9** On the appliance, enter the following command to close the NFS and the CIFS shares:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Share Close
```

If you run any of the following commands before you close the share, the downloaded release update or client package is moved from the share directory location to its proper location. However, you must still run the `Share Close` command to ensure that the NFS and the CIFS shares are closed.

Note: For upgrades from 2.6.1 or 2.6.1.x, the release update or the client package cannot be verified and moved unless the Symantec Critical System Protection (SCSP) scanning is complete.

For upgrades from 2.7.1 or later, the release update or the client package cannot be verified and moved unless the Symantec Data Center Security (SDCS) scanning is complete.

- List Version
- List Details All
- List Details Base
- Share Open
- Share Close

- 10** To list the available release updates or client packages on the appliance, enter the following command and note the name of the downloaded files:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > List Downloaded
```

Running this command validates and moves the release update or the client package from the share directory to its proper location. You are not notified that this move has occurred.

Installing a NetBackup appliance software update using the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu

Use the following procedure to start the appliance upgrade.

To install a downloaded release update using the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu

- 1** Check to make sure that the following pre-upgrade tasks have already been performed:
 - All jobs have been stopped or suspended and all SLPs have been paused.
 - The `Support > Test Software` command has been run and returned a **Pass** result.
 - All of the necessary RHEL plug-in packages have been copied into the appropriate location.

See [“Pre-upgrade tasks for NetBackup Appliance version 3.0 upgrades”](#) on page 14.

- 2 Open an SSH session and log on to the appliance using the NetBackup Appliance Shell Menu.

- 3 To install the software release update, run the following command:

```
Main_Menu > Manage > Software > Install patch_name
```

Where *patch_name* is the name of the release update to install. Make sure that this patch name is the one that you want to install.

- 4 Monitor the preflight check and watch for any **Check failed** messages. Proceed as follows:
 - If no **Check failed** messages appear, you are prompted to continue to the next step to start the upgrade.
 - If any **Check failed** messages appear, the upgrade is not allowed. You must resolve the reported failures, then launch the upgrade script again so that the preflight check can verify that the failures have been resolved.
 - If any **Check failed** messages indicate that a RHEL version third-party plug-in was not found, you must obtain the plug-in from the appropriate vendor. Refer to the following topic for installation details:
See [“Pre-upgrade tasks for NetBackup Appliance version 3.0 upgrades”](#) on page 14.

5 The upgrade may force the appliance to restart several times.

After the upgrade has completed and the disk pools are back online, the appliance runs a self-diagnostic test. Refer to the following file for the test results:

```
/log/selftest_report_<appliance_serial>_<timedate>.txt
```

If SMTP is configured, an email notification that contains the self-test result is sent.

Note: For upgrades from 2.6.1 or 2.6.1.x, the system may restart several times during the upgrade process. After the first restart, the NetBackup Appliance Web Console and any SSH-based connections to the server are unavailable until the restart process has completed. This condition may last 2 hours or more, depending on the complexity of the appliance configuration. It is important that you do not attempt to restart the appliance during this time. You can use the Veritas Remote Management interface (IPMI) to view the system restart status. In addition, you may view the logs under `/log` or wait for the appliance to send an email upon completion of the upgrade process.

6 Complete this step only if your backup environment includes SAN client computers.

The Fibre Channel (FC) ports must be re-scanned to allow any SAN client computers to reconnect to the Fibre Transport (FT) devices. The re-scan must be done from the NetBackup CLI view on the appliance.

To re-scan the FC ports:

- Enter the following command to see a list of NetBackup user accounts:

```
Manage > NetBackupCLI > List
```

- Log on to this appliance as one of the listed NetBackup users.

- Run the following command to rescan the FC ports:

```
nbftconfig -rescanallclients
```

- If any SAN clients still do not work, run the following commands on each of those clients in the order as shown:

On UNIX clients:

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.kill_all
```

```
/usr/opensv/netbackup/bin/bp.start_all
```

On Windows clients:

```
<install_path>\NetBackup\bin\bpdown
```

```
<install_path>\NetBackup\bin\bpup
```

- If any SAN clients still do not work, manually initiate a SCSI device refresh at the OS level. The refresh method depends on the operating system of the client. Once the refresh has completed, attempt the `nbftconfig -rescanallclients` command again.
- If any SAN clients still do not work, restart those clients.

Note: If you have SLES 10 or SLES 11 SAN clients that still do not work, Veritas recommends upgrading the QLogic driver on those clients. For the affected SLES 10 clients, upgrade to version 8.04.00.06.10.3-K. For the affected SLES 11 clients, upgrade to version 8.04.00.06.11.1.

Post upgrade tasks

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Post upgrade tasks for 3.0 upgrades](#)

Post upgrade tasks for 3.0 upgrades

After the upgrade process has completed successfully, perform the following tasks as needed for your environment:

- SDCS mode

After an upgrade from 2.6.1 or 2.6.1.x, the Symantec Critical System Protection (SCSP) feature is renamed as Symantec Data Center Security (SDCS). This feature is set automatically to the un-managed mode (default). If the SCSP feature was set to the managed mode before the upgrade, you must change SDCS to the managed mode to continue receiving centralized alerts and reports. Setting this feature to the managed mode requires that you connect the appliance to the SDCS server. For complete details, refer to one of the following documents:

NetBackup 52xx and 5330 Appliance Administrator's Guide

NetBackup 52xx and 5330 Appliance Security Guide

Troubleshooting

This chapter includes the following topics:

- [Troubleshooting upgrade issues](#)

Troubleshooting upgrade issues

If the upgrade fails or if you experience other upgrade issues, use the following list to help resolve the issues.

- [Rollback after NetBackup Appliance upgrade failure causes inactive media server](#)
- [During a NetBackup Appliance upgrade, warning dialog appears with the message Error processing drive](#)
- [Preflight checkpoint creation failure prevents NetBackup Appliance upgrade from starting](#)
- [Self-test failure during a NetBackup Appliance upgrade](#)
- [AdvancedDisk storage pool error occurs after NetBackup Appliance upgrade to 2.7.x or later and re-image](#)
- [Old checkpoints remain after interrupting a NetBackup Appliance upgrade or rollback](#)

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