

Quest[®] NetVault[®] Backup Plug-in *for NDMP* 13.4.0 Release Notes

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These release notes provide information about the Quest[®] NetVault[®] Backup Plug-in *for NDMP* release.

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About this release

Quest NetVault Backup (NetVault Backup) Plug-in *for NDMP* is an advanced data protection solution for information stored in network-attached storage (NAS) devices running Network Data Management Protocol (NDMP). It provides backup and recovery options regardless of the NDMP network configuration model in use. The plug-in also offers advanced features, including browsable volume selection and Direct Access Restore (DAR), which lets you find what must be restored to provide rapid time-to-recovery.

Plug-in *for NDMP* 13.4.0 is a minor release supporting issue fixes.

Resolved issues

The following is a list of issues addressed in this release.

Table 1. Resolved issues

Resolved issue	Issue ID
OceanStor NAS has non-DAR index absent and restores are not possible.	DNNMP-874

Resolution: Implemented a workaround to allow proper indexing metadata handling for the latest OceanStor NAS version.

Implementation:

Add the "Ignore dot entries=TRUE" stanza by manually modifying the following entry in the \$NVHOME >> config >> ndmpversions.cfg file as described below:

```
[Huawei-V1-dump: Data Server]
Backup Screen=Huawei-V1-dump-backup.srn
Restore Screen=Huawei-V1-dump-restore.srn
Backup Type=dump
Direct Backup=TRUE
Direct Restore=TRUE
Direct Relocate any=TRUE
Direct Rename any=TRUE
Browse By FsInfo=TRUE
Browse By FsInfo Volume=
Browse By FsInfo Volume Exclude=
Ignore dot entries=TRUE
```

Isilon Restore fails with Data operation halted due to unrecoverable internal NDMP server error NV-4307 as of result of -1 being no longer an accepted value for nlist.tape_offset in OneFs 9.1 onwards.

Resolution:

Implemented a new setting to be added to the ndmpversions.cfg file to configure the namelist tape offset to 0 instead of the previously accepted -1 value.

Implementation:

Add the "Force zero value FhInfo=TRUE" stanza by manually modifying the following entry in the \$NVHOME >> config >> ndmpversions.cfg file as described below:

```
[Isilon-v8-0:Data Server]
backup screen=isilon-v8-0-backup.srn
restore screen=isilon-v8-0-restore.srn
direct restore=TRUE
direct relocate any=TRUE
direct rename any=TRUE
Allowed Direct Rename=
direct can recurse directories=TRUE
Backup Type=dump
Paths are relative=TRUE
rename any=TRUE
Force zero value FhInfo=TRUE
```

Known issues

The following is a list of issues, including those issues attributed to third-party products, known to exist at the time of release.

Table 2. General Known issues

Known issue	Issue ID
Job Hang in Reading state after ERROR - NDMP: ERROR 3: RESTORE: Error: Bad header block. ERROR 4: RESTORE: Error: Could not initialize media.	DNNDMP-871
Restore Job Failed - ERROR: Failed to get batch job-report object info.	DNNDMP-870
The filenames containing characters from the extended character set are not displayed correctly in the restore selection tree.	DNNDMP-115 (13037, NCG-203)
If the NetVault Backup Service is stopped when the status of a restartable NDMP backup job is “Waiting to Retry Backup,” the drives in use by that job become offline. To bring a drive back online: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 In the Navigation pane, click Manage Devices, and then in the list of devices, click the applicable drive or the corresponding Manage Device icon. 2 On the Tape Drive Management page, click Check. 	DNNDMP-199 (13121, NCG-289)
If a filer reboots or there is a loss of network connectivity with the filer while the plug-in is running, the filer-attached drive goes offline with the message “Command Failed, Re-initializing Driver” when the plug-in tries to access the drive after the NAS Device is brought back online. After a few minutes, the drive recovers and comes online, but you must perform a manual check before using the drive. To perform a manual check: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 In the Navigation pane, click Manage Devices, and then in the list of devices, click the applicable drive or the corresponding Manage Device icon. 2 On the Tape Drive Management page, click Check. 	
If you issued any load or unload requests before performing this procedure, try them again after the check.	
The history component of a dump, which tracks the various levels of dumps in the series, is transferred as the last item in a dump backup. This component increases the time taken to generate the backup index; it also increases the processor and memory usage for a job.	
When a job starts child jobs, the user logged in to NetVault Backup when creating the parent job remains the owner of the parent job, but the child jobs are owned by the default user. This issue can affect NetVault Backup Reports, Job Status page, and other functionality that depend on job ownership.	

Table 3. Filer-specific known issues

	Issue ID
Dell FluidFS If you use more than 32 entries in the EXCLUDE option for a backup job that targets a Dell FluidFS, FluidFS does not return an error. Exceeding the same limit using the EXCLUDE_PATH option works correctly.	DNNDMP-661 (32079, 00040990)
EMC Celerra If an EMC Celerra reboots or there is a network connectivity loss with the device while a job is in progress, the plug-in does not automatically cancel the job. You must manually cancel the job.	

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EMC Celerra	
After adding the first filer-attached device, a delay of up to 30 minutes may occur when you try to add the other devices attached to the EMC Celerra. The delay occurs when NetVault Backup attempts to scan the device for addition.	
EMC Celerra	NVBU-47 (773)
Selective restores with Plug-in <i>for FileSystem</i> using EMC Celerra attached tape device is not supported.	
Hitachi BlueArc	
Due to a fault in the Data Copy Plug-in, restores with Duplicate or Data Copy savesets fail for the Hitachi BlueArc. This failure is only encountered on Windows platform. Moreover, only a particular configuration causes this problem. It only occurs when the original savesets are generated using drives local to the NetVault Backup Server, while the Duplicate or Data Copy savesets are generated using drives that are local to the filer.	
Hitachi BlueArc	
Hitachi Essential NAS does not support Direct Access Restore (DAR).	
Hitachi BlueArc	DNNDMP-352 (13274, NCG-442)
Hitachi Essential NAS does not support Rename and Relocate options.	
Hitachi Essential NAS	
Hitachi Essential NAS only supports backups and restores to NetVault Backup Server or Client attached backup devices.	
Isilon OneFS	
Isilon OneFS 4.7.2.x does not support child-level data selection for restore. This limitation is imposed by a syntax handling error. Restore job on OneFS 4.7.4.x requires you to select data at the parent-level	
NetApp Data ONTAP	
Backups and restores involving tape spans on Data ONTAP GX filers may display the error message "Tape Reading Operation Terminated." This error is expected. Despite this error message, the backup or restore job preserves data integrity.	
NetApp Data ONTAP	
On Data ONTAP 7.1, you may encounter errors during Direct Access Restores. You must upgrade to ONTAP 7.1.1 or a later version to resolve this issue.	
NetApp Data ONTAP	NVBU-11907 (27982)
Restores of selective files from filer-attached devices fail with the error "tape read error."	
NetApp Data ONTAP	NVBU-12310 (28510)
If a device hosted on a different node is specified for a backup or restore job, the plug-in performs an affinity match and uses a local device instead of using the specified shared device.	
NetApp Data ONTAP If a device failure occurs during an NDMP backup or restore operation, the job does not fail; it has to be canceled manually.	NVBU-12506 (28798)
NetApp Data ONTAP If you are using Plug-in <i>for NDMP</i> or Plug-in <i>for SnapMirror to Tape</i> with Data ONTAP 9.1 and you perform multiple-volume backups, the job might fail and display a "Mover has halted due to an internal error" message.	DNNDMP-683
NetApp Data ONTAP	DNNDMP-698
Installing the plug-in on the client prevents you from clicking the Volumes node to select all Vservers, volumes, directories, and files automatically on the NetVault Backup Selections page, nor can you select multiple items manually. You can only select one item to back up. Workaround: Install the plug-in on the server instead of the client, or create a separate backup job for each item that you want to back up.	

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<p>NetApp Data ONTAP</p> <p>The plug-in fails to restore a file or directory to a different Vserver in a locally attached — direct — topology. Restoring a file or directory to a different Vserver works in remote — indirect — and 3- way topologies.</p>	DNNDMP-699
<p>Sun StorageTek 5320</p> <p>On a Sun StorageTek 5320 filer running OS 4.20 M3 Build 1, the plug-in may erroneously mark a used media as bad after attempting to read the header. This error occurs when you try to blank media from the GUI or CLI. To avoid this problem, upgrade to OS 4.21 or later.</p>	

System requirements

Before installing Plug-in *for NDMP* 13.4.0, ensure that your system meets the following minimum hardware and software requirements.

Table 4. System requirements

Requirement	Details
NetVault Backup versions	The NetVault Backup Plug-in <i>for NDMP</i> 13.4.0 requires NetVault Backup 12.2 or later. To use catalog search, you must use 12.1 or later. For complete supported-platform information, see the Quest NetVault Backup Compatibility Guide available at: https://support.quest.com/technical-documents .
Appliance and vendor software	For NAS and NDMP information, see the Quest NetVault Backup Compatibility Guide available at: https://support.quest.com/technical-documents .

CAUTION: The following platforms were not validated with this release: DNSTP-153

- AIX
- FreeBSD
- Linux Itanium
- Solaris Intel
- Solaris SPARC

For complete supported-platform information, see the *Quest NetVault Backup Compatibility Guide* available at <https://support.quest.com/technical-documents>.

Upgrade and compatibility

Select the correct installation package on Linux and Windows: NetVault Backup offers separate client-only and server-only installation packages for Linux- and Windows-based systems. Both the server and the client packages are available in hybrid and pure 64-bit versions.

Product licensing

To obtain the license key for your NetVault Backup Server environment, you must first provide the NetVault Machine ID of your main NetVault Backup Server along with the machine IDs of clients running any licensed plug-in.

You can use the NetVault Configuration Wizard to install the product license keys. Alternatively, you can install the license keys from the **Manage Clients** page.

- [Obtaining a machine ID](#)
- [Installing a license key using the configuration wizard](#)
- [Installing a license key from the Manage Clients page](#)

Obtaining a machine ID

- 1 Start the NetVault Backup WebUI.
- 2 In the Navigation pane, click **Manage Clients**.
- 3 In the **NetVault Backup Clients** list, select the applicable machine, and click **Manage**.
- 4 On the **View Client** page, note the machine ID exactly as it is displayed in the **Client Summary** table.

Installing a license key using the configuration wizard

- 1 In the **Navigation** pane, click **Guided Configuration**.
- 2 On the **NetVault Configuration Wizard** page, click **Install Licenses**.
- 3 In the **NetVault Backup Clients** list, select the applicable machine, and click **Next**.
- 4 In the **Enter the license key string** box, type or copy and paste the license key, and click **Apply**.
After the key is applied successfully, a message is displayed.

Installing a license key from the Manage Clients page

- 1 In the **Navigation** pane, click **Manage Clients**.
- 2 In the **NetVault Backup Clients** list, select the applicable machine, and click **Manage**.
- 3 On the **View Client** page, click **Install License**.
- 4 In the **Install License** dialog box, type or copy and paste the license key, and click **Apply**.
After the key is applied successfully, a message is displayed.
- 5 To dismiss the dialog box, click **Close**.

Upgrade and installation instructions

For upgrade and installation instructions, see the *Quest NetVault Backup Plug-in for NDMP User's Guide*.

More resources

Additional information is available from the following:

- [Online product documentation](#)
- [NetVault community](#)

Globalization

This section contains information about installing and operating this product in non-English configurations, such as those needed by customers outside of North America. This section does not replace the materials about supported platforms and configurations found elsewhere in the product documentation.

This release supports any single-byte or multi-byte character set. It supports simultaneous operation with multilingual data. This release is targeted to support operations in the following regions: North America, Western Europe and Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, Far-East Asia, and Japan.

The release is localized to the following languages: Chinese (Simplified), French, German, Japanese, and Korean.

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- Download software and technical documentation.

- View how-to-videos.
- Engage in community discussions.
- Chat with support engineers online.
- View services to assist you with your product.

Third-party contributions

This product contains the following third-party components. For third-party license information, go to <https://www.quest.com/legal/license-agreements.aspx>. Source code for components marked with an asterisk (*) is available at <https://opensource.quest.com>.

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