



# **Configure intercluster LIFs**

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# Configure intercluster LIFs

## Configure intercluster LIFs on shared data ports

You can configure intercluster LIFs on ports shared with the data network. Doing so reduces the number of ports you need for intercluster networking.

### Steps

1. List the ports in the cluster:

```
network port show
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows the network ports in `cluster01`:

```
cluster01::> network port show
```

(Mbps)					Speed	
Node	Port	IPspace	Broadcast Domain	Link	MTU	Admin/Oper
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
cluster01-01						
	e0a	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0b	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0c	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0d	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
cluster01-02						
	e0a	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0b	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0c	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0d	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000

2. Create intercluster LIFs on the system SVM:

Option	Description
<b>In ONTAP 9.6 and later:</b>	<pre>network interface create -vserver system_SVM -lif LIF_name -service -policy default-intercluster -home -node node -home-port port -address port_IP -netmask netmask</pre>

Option	Description
<b>In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:</b>	<code>network interface create -vserver <i>system_SVM</i> -lif <i>LIF_name</i> -role intercluster -home-node <i>node</i> -home-port <i>port</i> -address <i>port_IP</i> -netmask <i>netmask</i></code>

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example creates intercluster LIFs `cluster01_icl01` and `cluster01_icl02`:

```
cluster01::> network interface create -vserver cluster01 -lif
cluster01_icl01 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-01 -home-port e0c
-address 192.168.1.201
-netmask 255.255.255.0

cluster01::> network interface create -vserver cluster01 -lif
cluster01_icl02 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-02 -home-port e0c
-address 192.168.1.202
-netmask 255.255.255.0
```

### 3. Verify that the intercluster LIFs were created:

Option	Description
<b>In ONTAP 9.6 and later:</b>	<code>network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster</code>
<b>In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:</b>	<code>network interface show -role intercluster</code>

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

```

cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
          Logical      Status      Network      Current
Current Is
Vserver   Interface  Admin/Oper Address/Mask      Node      Port
Home
-----
cluster01
          cluster01_icl01
              up/up      192.168.1.201/24  cluster01-01  e0c
true
          cluster01_icl02
              up/up      192.168.1.202/24  cluster01-02  e0c
true

```

#### 4. Verify that the intercluster LIFs are redundant:

Option	Description
<b>In ONTAP 9.6 and later:</b>	network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster -failover
<b>In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:</b>	network interface show -role intercluster -failover

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows that the intercluster LIFs cluster01\_icl01 and cluster01\_icl02 on the e0c port will fail over to the e0d port.

```

cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
-failover
          Logical      Home      Failover      Failover
Vserver   Interface      Node:Port      Policy      Group
-----
cluster01
          cluster01_icl01  cluster01-01:e0c  local-only
192.168.1.201/24
                                Failover Targets: cluster01-01:e0c,
                                                cluster01-01:e0d
          cluster01_icl02  cluster01-02:e0c  local-only
192.168.1.201/24
                                Failover Targets: cluster01-02:e0c,
                                                cluster01-02:e0d

```

## Configure intercluster LIFs on dedicated ports

You can configure intercluster LIFs on dedicated ports. Doing so typically increases the available bandwidth for replication traffic.

### Steps

1. List the ports in the cluster:

```
network port show
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows the network ports in `cluster01`:

```
cluster01::> network port show
```

						Speed
(Mbps)						
Node	Port	IPspace	Broadcast Domain	Link	MTU	Admin/Oper
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
cluster01-01						
	e0a	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0b	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0c	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0d	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0e	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0f	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
cluster01-02						
	e0a	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0b	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0c	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0d	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0e	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0f	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000

2. Determine which ports are available to dedicate to intercluster communication:

```
network interface show -fields home-port,curr-port
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows that ports `e0e` and `e0f` have not been assigned LIFs:

```
cluster01::> network interface show -fields home-port,curr-port
vserver lif                home-port curr-port
-----
Cluster cluster01-01_clus1  e0a      e0a
Cluster cluster01-01_clus2  e0b      e0b
Cluster cluster01-02_clus1  e0a      e0a
Cluster cluster01-02_clus2  e0b      e0b
cluster01
      cluster_mgmt          e0c      e0c
cluster01
      cluster01-01_mgmt1    e0c      e0c
cluster01
      cluster01-02_mgmt1    e0c      e0c
```

### 3. Create a failover group for the dedicated ports:

```
network interface failover-groups create -vserver system_SVM -failover-group
failover_group -targets physical_or_logical_ports
```

The following example assigns ports e0e and e0f to the failover group intercluster01 on the system SVM cluster01:

```
cluster01::> network interface failover-groups create -vserver cluster01
-failover-group
intercluster01 -targets
cluster01-01:e0e,cluster01-01:e0f,cluster01-02:e0e,cluster01-02:e0f
```

### 4. Verify that the failover group was created:

```
network interface failover-groups show
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

```

cluster01::> network interface failover-groups show

Vserver          Group          Failover
-----
Targets
-----
Cluster
Cluster
cluster01        cluster01-01:e0a, cluster01-01:e0b,
                  cluster01-02:e0a, cluster01-02:e0b
Default
cluster01        cluster01-01:e0c, cluster01-01:e0d,
                  cluster01-02:e0c, cluster01-02:e0d,
                  cluster01-01:e0e, cluster01-01:e0f
                  cluster01-02:e0e, cluster01-02:e0f
intercluster01
cluster01-01:e0e, cluster01-01:e0f
cluster01-02:e0e, cluster01-02:e0f

```

5. Create intercluster LIFs on the system SVM and assign them to the failover group.

Option	Description
<b>In ONTAP 9.6 and later:</b>	<pre> network interface create -vserver system_SVM -lif LIF_name -service -policy default-intercluster -home -node node -home- port port -address port_IP -netmask netmask -failover -group failover_group </pre>
<b>In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:</b>	<pre> network interface create -vserver system_SVM -lif LIF_name -role intercluster -home-node node -home -port port -address port_IP -netmask netmask -failover-group failover_group </pre>

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example creates intercluster LIFs `cluster01_icl01` and `cluster01_icl02` in the failover group `intercluster01`:



```

cluster01::> network interface create -vserver cluster01 -lif
cluster01_icl01 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-01 -home-port e0e
-address 192.168.1.201
-netmask 255.255.255.0 -failover-group intercluster01

cluster01::> network interface create -vserver cluster01 -lif
cluster01_icl02 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-02 -home-port e0e
-address 192.168.1.202
-netmask 255.255.255.0 -failover-group intercluster01

```

6. Verify that the intercluster LIFs were created:

Option	Description
<b>In ONTAP 9.6 and later:</b>	network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
<b>In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:</b>	network interface show -role intercluster

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

```

cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster

```

	Logical	Status	Network	Current
Current Is				
Vserver	Interface	Admin/Oper	Address/Mask	Node
Home				Port
cluster01	cluster01_icl01	up/up	192.168.1.201/24	cluster01-01 e0e
true	cluster01_icl02	up/up	192.168.1.202/24	cluster01-02 e0f
true				

7. Verify that the intercluster LIFs are redundant:

Option	Description
In ONTAP 9.6 and later:	network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster -failover
In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:	network interface show -role intercluster -failover

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows that the intercluster LIFs `cluster01_icl01` and `cluster01_icl02` on the SVM `e0e` port will fail over to the `e0f` port.

```
cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
-failover
```

Vserver	Logical Interface	Home Node:Port	Failover Policy	Failover Group
cluster01	cluster01_icl01	cluster01-01:e0e	local-only	
intercluster01			Failover Targets: cluster01-01:e0e, cluster01-01:e0f	
cluster01	cluster01_icl02	cluster01-02:e0e	local-only	
intercluster01			Failover Targets: cluster01-02:e0e, cluster01-02:e0f	

## Configure intercluster LIFs in custom IPspaces

You can configure intercluster LIFs in custom IPspaces. Doing so allows you to isolate replication traffic in multitenant environments.

When you create a custom IPspace, the system creates a system storage virtual machine (SVM) to serve as a container for the system objects in that IPspace. You can use the new SVM as the container for any intercluster LIFs in the new IPspace. The new SVM has the same name as the custom IPspace.

### Steps

1. List the ports in the cluster:

```
network port show
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows the network ports in `cluster01`:

```
cluster01::> network port show
```

(Mbps)						Speed
Node	Port	IPspace	Broadcast Domain	Link	MTU	Admin/Oper
-----						
-----						
cluster01-01						
	e0a	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0b	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0c	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0d	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0e	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0f	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
cluster01-02						
	e0a	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0b	Cluster	Cluster	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0c	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0d	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0e	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0f	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000

## 2. Create custom IPspaces on the cluster:

```
network ipspace create -ipspace ipspace
```

The following example creates the custom IPspace `ipspace-IC1`:

```
cluster01::> network ipspace create -ipspace ipspace-IC1
```

## 3. Determine which ports are available to dedicate to intercluster communication:

```
network interface show -fields home-port,curr-port
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows that ports `e0e` and `e0f` have not been assigned LIFs:

```
cluster01::> network interface show -fields home-port,curr-port
vserver lif                home-port curr-port
-----
Cluster cluster01_clus1    e0a      e0a
Cluster cluster01_clus2    e0b      e0b
Cluster cluster02_clus1    e0a      e0a
Cluster cluster02_clus2    e0b      e0b
cluster01
      cluster_mgmt          e0c      e0c
cluster01
      cluster01-01_mgmt1    e0c      e0c
cluster01
      cluster01-02_mgmt1    e0c      e0c
```

#### 4. Remove the available ports from the default broadcast domain:

```
network port broadcast-domain remove-ports -broadcast-domain Default -ports
ports
```

A port cannot be in more than one broadcast domain at a time. For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example removes ports e0e and e0f from the default broadcast domain:

```
cluster01::> network port broadcast-domain remove-ports -broadcast
-domain Default -ports
cluster01-01:e0e,cluster01-01:e0f,cluster01-02:e0e,cluster01-02:e0f
```

#### 5. Verify that the ports have been removed from the default broadcast domain:

```
network port show
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows that ports e0e and e0f have been removed from the default broadcast domain:

```
cluster01::> network port show
```

						Speed (Mbps)
Node	Port	IPspace	Broadcast Domain	Link	MTU	Admin/Oper
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
cluster01-01						
	e0a	Cluster	Cluster	up	9000	auto/1000
	e0b	Cluster	Cluster	up	9000	auto/1000
	e0c	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0d	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0e	Default	-	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0f	Default	-	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0g	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
cluster01-02						
	e0a	Cluster	Cluster	up	9000	auto/1000
	e0b	Cluster	Cluster	up	9000	auto/1000
	e0c	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0d	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0e	Default	-	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0f	Default	-	up	1500	auto/1000
	e0g	Default	Default	up	1500	auto/1000

#### 6. Create a broadcast domain in the custom IPspace:

```
network port broadcast-domain create -ipspace ipspace -broadcast-domain  
broadcast_domain -mtu MTU -ports ports
```

The following example creates the broadcast domain `ipspace-IC1-bd` in the IPspace `ipspace-IC1`:

```
cluster01::> network port broadcast-domain create -ipspace ipspace-IC1  
-broadcast-domain  
ipspace-IC1-bd -mtu 1500 -ports cluster01-01:e0e,cluster01-01:e0f,  
cluster01-02:e0e,cluster01-02:e0f
```

#### 7. Verify that the broadcast domain was created:

```
network port broadcast-domain show
```

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

```

cluster01::> network port broadcast-domain show
IPspace Broadcast
Name      Domain Name      MTU      Port List
-----
Cluster Cluster      9000
      cluster01-01:e0a      complete
      cluster01-01:e0b      complete
      cluster01-02:e0a      complete
      cluster01-02:e0b      complete
Default Default      1500
      cluster01-01:e0c      complete
      cluster01-01:e0d      complete
      cluster01-01:e0f      complete
      cluster01-01:e0g      complete
      cluster01-02:e0c      complete
      cluster01-02:e0d      complete
      cluster01-02:e0f      complete
      cluster01-02:e0g      complete
ipspace-IC1
      ipspace-IC1-bd
      1500
      cluster01-01:e0e      complete
      cluster01-01:e0f      complete
      cluster01-02:e0e      complete
      cluster01-02:e0f      complete

```

8. Create intercluster LIFs on the system SVM and assign them to the broadcast domain:

Option	Description
<b>In ONTAP 9.6 and later:</b>	<pre> network interface create -vserver system_SVM -lif LIF_name -service -policy default-intercluster -home -node node -home-port port -address port_IP -netmask netmask </pre>
<b>In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:</b>	<pre> network interface create -vserver system_SVM -lif LIF_name -role intercluster -home-node node -home -port port -address port_IP -netmask netmask </pre>

The LIF is created in the broadcast domain that the home port is assigned to. The broadcast domain has a default failover group with the same name as the broadcast domain. For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example creates intercluster LIFs `cluster01_icl01` and `cluster01_icl02` in the broadcast domain `ipspace-IC1-bd`:

```
cluster01::> network interface create -vserver ipspace-IC1 -lif
cluster01_icl01 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-01 -home-port e0e
-address 192.168.1.201
-netmask 255.255.255.0

cluster01::> network interface create -vserver ipspace-IC1 -lif
cluster01_icl02 -service-
policy default-intercluster -home-node cluster01-02 -home-port e0e
-address 192.168.1.202
-netmask 255.255.255.0
```

9. Verify that the intercluster LIFs were created:

Option	Description
In ONTAP 9.6 and later:	<code>network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster</code>
In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:	<code>network interface show -role intercluster</code>

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

```
cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
Logical      Status      Network      Current
Current Is
Vserver      Interface  Admin/Oper  Address/Mask      Node      Port
Home
-----
-----
ipspace-IC1
      cluster01_icl01
              up/up      192.168.1.201/24  cluster01-01  e0e
true
      cluster01_icl02
              up/up      192.168.1.202/24  cluster01-02  e0f
true
```

10. Verify that the intercluster LIFs are redundant:

Option	Description
In ONTAP 9.6 and later:	network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster -failover
In ONTAP 9.5 and earlier:	network interface show -role intercluster -failover

For complete command syntax, see the man page.

The following example shows that the intercluster LIFs cluster01\_icl01 and cluster01\_icl02 on the SVM e0e port fail over to the e0f port:

```
cluster01::> network interface show -service-policy default-intercluster
-failover
```

Vserver	Logical Interface	Home Node:Port	Failover Policy	Failover Group
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
ipspace-IC1				
	cluster01_icl01	cluster01-01:e0e	local-only	
intercluster01				
		Failover Targets:	cluster01-01:e0e,	
			cluster01-01:e0f	
	cluster01_icl02	cluster01-02:e0e	local-only	
intercluster01				
		Failover Targets:	cluster01-02:e0e,	
			cluster01-02:e0f	



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