



OpCon Commvault Connector

User Guide

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General Information

The Commvault software platform delivers the unparalleled advantage and benefits of a truly holistic approach to data and information management. Within the platform, tightly integrated, powerful software delivers functionality throughout your physical and virtual environments to protect and recover data, manage costs and complexity, and gain better insight into your information.

Connector Implementation

The current connector implementation is installed on a Windows environment. It communicates with the Commvault System using the Commvault Rest API. Job definitions are passed to the connector as arguments on the command line.

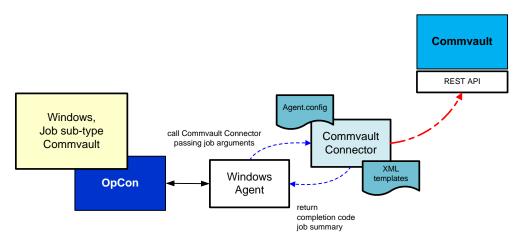


Figure 1: Commvault Connector Overview

The Commvault connector receives the arguments from OpCon and then reads the defined XML template and updates the values in the XML template associated with the arguments. The connector then uses the QCommand/qoperation execute function to submit the request to Commvault. The connector then tracks the progress of the task in Commvault, updated the status of the task in the OpCon Operations Views as the status changes. When the task is completed, the Job Summary associated with the task is retrieved and added to the OpCon Job Log.

OpCon Commvault Connector Installation.

The OpCon Commvault Connector installation consists of multiple steps. The steps that are required to complete the installation successfully consist of the following:

- Installing a Windows Agent if not already installed.
- Installing the OpCon Commvault Connector.
- Configuring the OpCon Commvault connector.
- Installing the OpCon Commvault Windows job subtype.

Supported Software Levels

The following software levels are required to implement the OpCon Commvault Connector.

- OpCon Release 16.2 or higher.
- No Java restrictions as the connector uses an embedded OpenJDK 1.8 which is installed during the connector installation.
- Commvault version 11 or greater.

Migration Considerations from previous versions

The CommVault connector has been rebuilt to use embedded Open JDK and adopt SMA Connector naming standards as well as a simplified installation process.

- Executable name has changed from cvault.exe to SMACVault.exe.
- Java version has been changed to use embedded OpenJDK 1.8 referenced from <installation root>/java directory.
- After Enterprise Manager plugin installation will need check job definitions as connector name has changed. Contact SMA for SQL script to change definitions.
- Configuration filename was changed from Agent.config to Connector.config. Before installation save the Agent.config file and copy it into the new <installation root> renaming it as Connector.config.

Connector Installation

Copy the supplied zip file to a directory on the server.

Unzip the file and copy the content to a directory on the server.

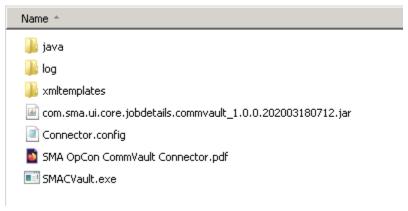


Figure 2: Connector installed infrastructure

- <install directory> contains:
 - > Connector.config
 - ➢ SMACVault.exe
 - com.sma.ui.core.jobdetails.commvault_1.0.0.nnnnnnnnnnnn.jar
 - ▶ SMA OpCon CommVault Connector.pdf
- java contains:
 - the embedded open JDK required by the connector
- log contains:
 - > empty, but will contain logs after connector has been started.
- xmltemplates contains:

```
contains three templates that can be used to execute backup tasks.
FILE_SYSTEM.XML
script_nutanix_prism_incr.xml
script nutanix prism synthetic full.xml
```

Connector Configuration

The configuration of the OpCon Commvault Connector requires setting the required values in the Agent.config file. The Agent.config file contains information about the Commvault system that the connector will communicate with via web services.

Connector Config

Configure the Agent.config file in the main directory setting the required information.

```
[CONNECTOR]

CONNECTOR NAME=Commvault Connector

CONNECTOR SERVER_ADDRESS=commvault.infra.sma.local

CONNECTOR SERVER NAME=commvault.infra.sma.local

CONNECTOR USE TLS=False

CONNECTOR COMM_VAULT USER_DOMAIN=smaeurope

CONNECTOR COMM_VAULT USER=yEhRqH//yG4Ym3qqZ/RhoA==

CONNECTOR COMM_VAULT USER_PASSWORD=QlkY416n2LwbwqYviHofUA==

CONNECTOR_MSLSAM_ROOT_DIRECTORY=c:\\test\mslsam

CONNECTOR_FOLL_INTERVAL=5

CONNECTOR_INITTAL_POLL_DELAY=10

CONNECTOR_DEBUG=OFF
```

Figure 3: Connector.config file sample

The Connector.config contains the following values

Property Name	Value
[CONNECTOR]	header
CONNECTOR_NAME	The name of the connector. This value should not be changed.
CONNECTOR_SERVER_ADDRESS	The address of the Commvault system that the connector must communicate with.
CONNECTOR_SERVER_NAME	The name of the Commvault server. This is used for the HOST parameter in the web services header record.
CONNECTOR_USE_TLS	If the link between the connector and the Commvault server requires TLS, then set this to true.
CONNECTOR_COMM_VAULT_USER_DOMAIN	If the Commvault user defined for the connector requires a domain name, then enter the domain name.
CONNECTOR_COMM_VAULT_USER	The Commvault user defined with the appropriate privileges so it can start backup jobs. The user code must be encrypted using the Encryption Tool supplied with Enterprise manager.
CONNECTOR_COMM_VAULT_USER_PASSWORD	The Commvault user password. The password must be encrypted using the Encryption Tool supplied with Enterprise manager.
CONNECTOR_MSLSAM_ROOT_DIRECTORY	While jobs are running the status of the job is displayed in OpCon. The connector

	uses the capability of the Windows Agent				
	to submit a status message to OpCon.				
CONNECTOR_POLL_INTERVAL	The time in seconds between checks to				
	determine the status of a request				
	Value: decimal number representing				
	seconds (default value is 5				
	seconds).				
	Must not be set to 0.				
CONNECTOR_INITIAL POLL_DELAY	The time in seconds before the first check				
	is made to determine the status of a				
	request.				
	Value: decimal number representing				
	seconds (default value is 5				
	seconds).				
	Must not be set to 0.				
DEBUG	The Connector supports a debug mode which				
	can be enabled by setting the value to ON.				
	The connector should be run DEBUG disabled				
	(OFF) and enabled (ON) when requested to				
	capture an error condition.				
	Value: either ON or OFF (default OFF).				

Table 1: Connector.config definitions

Define the CommvaultPath Global Property

Create the CommvaultPath global property containing the root installation directory of the connector.

Create Commvault special properties

The Commvault connector uses a global property to hold the values of backup types that are supported by the connector.

CV_BACKUP_TYPES
 Create the global property and add the values contained in Appendix A using a comma to separate them. The doubles quotes surrounding the values must be retained. These values will then be visible in the drop-down list.

Install the EMPlugin

Copy the Enterprise Manager plug-in com.sma.ui.core.jobdetails.commvault_1.0.0.nnn.jar from the installation emplugins directory to the dropins directory of the Enterprise Manager installation. If the dropins directory does not exist, create the dropins directory in the Enterprise Manager root directory.

Restart Enterprise Manager and a new Windows Job SubType Commvault will be visible.

Defining Commvault Jobs using Enterprise Manager

The Enterprise Manager includes Job SubType definitions for the Commvault Connector. The Job SubType can be accessed by selecting the Commvault Job SubType from the dropdown list when the Windows Job Type has been selected.

Before defining jobs, the global property CV_BACKUP_TYPES should be completed. The global property holds the definitions that populate the drop-down list when creating the job definitions.

- CV_BACKUP_TYPES
 - This contains a list of backup types that can be selected when defining jobs (see 'Create Commvault special properties' section).

Commvault Job definitions

When defining a Commvault job, select a Job Type of Windows and then a Job SubType of Commvault. The Commvault Definition screen will then appear.



Figure 4: Windows Job Definition showing Commvault Job SubType selection

Once the Job SubType has been selected, the Commvault Definition will appear. The job definition details consist of a Windows Batch User and the Job Definition and Failure Criteria TABs.

The Job Definition TAB is used to define parameters that are passed to the Commvault Connector and replaced in the template xml before the job request is submitted to Commvault. The XML template itself not updated, only the template in memory.



Figure 5 : Commvault JOB Definition Screen

The Commvault definitions are used to define the arguments that are submitted to the job.

Field	Description				
User Id	Required field that contains the name of the Windows Batch user				
	that the Commvault Connector will be execute on the Windows				
	system.				

Table 2: Commvault Job definitions

The Job Definition TAB field definitions are used to define the arguments that are submitted to the job.

Field	Description								
Connector Path	Required	field	that	contains	the	installed	location	of	the

Client Name	Commvault Connector. This should not be changed and the location should be defined in the CommvaultPath property. If more than one Connector is installed on the same system, then a new global property should be defined and the entry in this field updated. Required field that contains the name of the computer on which the required commvault agent is installed. The value is inserted
Sub Client Name	into the XML template associated with the request. Optional field that defines a logical container that identifies and manages production data to be protected. When not present, the default value in the XML template is used otherwise the value is inserted into the XML template associated with the request.
Instance	Optional field that contains the name of an instance that is associated with the job. When not present, the default value in the XML template is used otherwise the value is inserted into the XML template associated with the request.
BackupsetName	Required field that contains the name of a backup set that contains the logical grouping of the sub clients which are the containers of all data managed by the agent. The value is inserted into the XML template associated with the request.
XML Template Name	Required field that contains the name of the XML template to use for the request.
Backup Type	Required field that contains the backup type to use. The value is selected from the dropdown list (DIFFERENTIAL, INCREMENTAL, FULL or SYNTHETIC_FULL. The value is inserted into the XML template associated with the request.

Table 3: Commvault Job Definitions TAB

The Failure Criteria TAB field definitions are used to define the successful completion of the job.



Figure 6 : Commvault Failure Criteria TAB

Completion Codes supported by the Commvault Connector.

- O COMPLETED, the job completed processing.
- 1 COMPLETED_WITH_WARNINGS, the job completed processing, but contains warnings.
- 2 COMPLETED_WITH_ERRORS, the job completed processing, but contains errors.
- 3 FAILED, the job failed.
- 4 FAILED_TO_START, the job did not start.
- 18 WEB_SERVER_ERROR, an error occurred when communicating with the Commvault web server.

This means that to check for a successful completion, the Failure Criteria should be set to NE (Not Equal) to 0 means a Fail condition.

Figure 9 shows a failure criteria definition where COMPLETED and COMPLETED_WITH_WARNINGS is accepted as successful completion.

Logging

The default logging implemented by the connector consists of a maximum cycle of five log files. The log files contain information about the Commvault Connector and any jobs run by the Commvault Connector. The log files (Agent.log - Agent.log.5) are located in the <installation root>\log directory. Information is appended into the log files and any error messages, return codes can be viewed in these log files.

```
2017-03-14 16:21:35,676 [main] INFO Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:35 : -----
 2017-03-14 16:21:35,678 [main] INFO Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:35 : CommVault Connector 2017-03-14 16:21:35,678 [main] INFO Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:35 : ----------------------------
| 2017-03-14 16:21:35,678 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : Server Address | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,678 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : Server Name | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,679 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : -st (XML Template) | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,679 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : -st (XML Template) | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,679 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : -st (Subclient) | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,679 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : -st (Subclient) | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,680 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : -st (Instance) | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,680 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : -t (Backup Type) | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,680 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : -t (Backup Type) | 2017-03-14 16:21:35,680 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] | 20170314 16:21:35 : -t (Backup Type) | 2017-03-14 16:21:3
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 : INCREMENTAL
  2017-03-14 16:21:35,886 [main] INFO Logger - [CommVaultConnectionFactory] 20170314 16:21:35 : Authenticating User opcon_commvault to Server
2017-03-14 16:21:55,631 [main] INFO Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : CommVault Connector 2017-03-14 16:21:55,631 [main] INFO Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : ---------------------------
| 2017-03-14 16:21:55,631 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : Server Address | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,631 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : Server Name | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,632 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : -xt (MML Template) | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,632 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : -bsn (Backupset Name) | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,633 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : -sc (Subclient) | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,633 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : -sc (Subclient) | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,633 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : -sc (Subclient) | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,633 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : -t (Backup Type) | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,634 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : -t (Backup Type) | 2017-03-14 16:21:55,634 [main] INFO | Logger - [CommVaultConnector] 20170314 16:21:55 : -t (Backup Type) | 2017-03-14 16:21:55 : -t (Backup T
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  INCREMENTAL
  2017-03-14 16:21:55,845 [main] INFO Logger - [CommVaultConnectionFactory] 20170314 16:21:55 : Authenticating User opcon_commvault to Server
 (Error 0x10c: Another backup is
```

Figure 7: Sample Connector.log file

APPENDIX A

List of backup types.

"DIFFERENTIAL"

"INCREMENTAL"

"FULL"

"PRE_SELECT"

"SYNTHETIC_FULL"