Setting up and adding Azure credentials to Cloud Manager

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Setting up and adding Azure credentials to Cloud Manager

There are two ways to manage Azure credentials in Cloud Manager. First, if you want to deploy Cloud Volumes ONTAP in different Azure accounts, then you need to provide the required permissions and add the credentials to Cloud Manager. The second way is to associate additional subscriptions with the Azure managed identity.



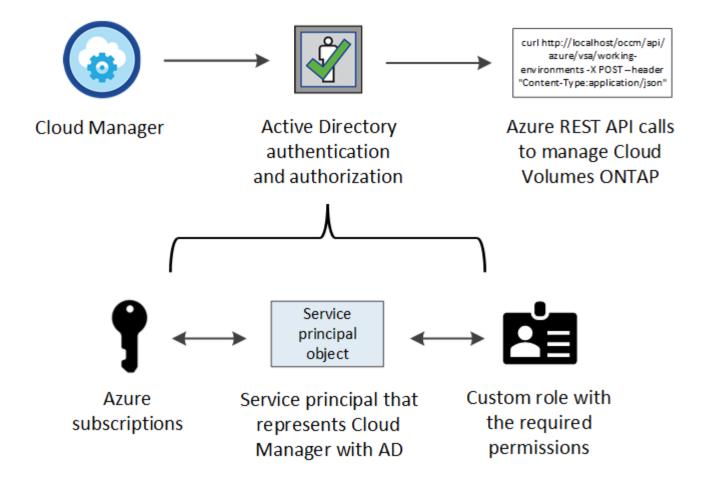
When you deploy Cloud Manager from Cloud Central, Cloud Manager automatically adds the Azure account in which you deployed Cloud Manager. An initial account is not added if you manually installed the Cloud Manager software on an existing system. Learn about Azure accounts and permissions.

Granting Azure permissions using a service principal

Cloud Manager needs permissions to perform actions in Azure. You can grant the required permissions to an Azure account by creating and setting up a service principal in Azure Active Directory and by obtaining the Azure credentials that Cloud Manager needs.

About this task

The following image depicts how Cloud Manager obtains permissions to perform operations in Azure. A service principal object, which is tied to one or more Azure subscriptions, represents Cloud Manager in Azure Active Directory and is assigned to a custom role that allows the required permissions.



Steps

- 1. Create an Azure Active Directory application.
- 2. Assign the application to a role.
- 3. Add Windows Azure Service Management API permissions.
- 4. Get the application ID and directory ID.
- 5. Create a client secret.

Creating an Azure Active Directory application

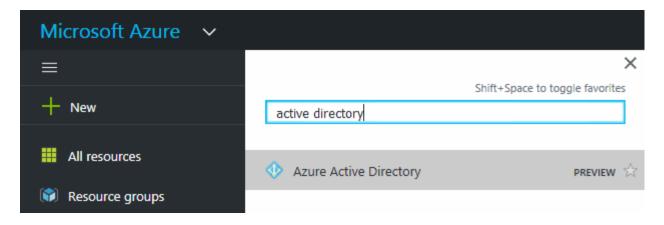
Create an Azure Active Directory (AD) application and service principal that Cloud Manager can use for role-based access control.

Before you begin

You must have the right permissions in Azure to create an Active Directory application and to assign the application to a role. For details, refer to Microsoft Azure Documentation: Required permissions.

Steps

1. From the Azure portal, open the **Azure Active Directory** service.



- 2. In the menu, click **App registrations**.
- 3. Click New registration.
- 4. Specify details about the application:
 - Name: Enter a name for the application.
 - Account type: Select an account type (any will work with Cloud Manager).
 - Redirect URI: Select Web and then enter any URL—for example, https://url
- 5. Click **Register**.

Result

You've created the AD application and service principal.

Assigning the application to a role

You must bind the service principal to one or more Azure subscriptions and assign it the custom "OnCommand Cloud Manager Operator" role so Cloud Manager has permissions in Azure.

Steps

- 1. Create a custom role:
 - a. Download the Cloud Manager Azure policy.
 - b. Modify the ISON file by adding Azure subscription IDs to the assignable scope.

You should add the ID for each Azure subscription from which users will create Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems.

Example

```
"AssignableScopes": [
"/subscriptions/d333af45-0d07-4154-943d-c25fbzzzzzzzz",
"/subscriptions/54b91999-b3e6-4599-908e-416e0zzzzzzzz",
"/subscriptions/398e471c-3b42-4ae7-9b59-ce5bbzzzzzzzz"
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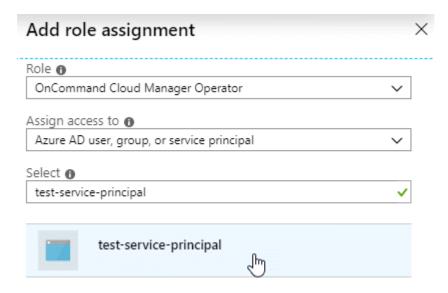
c. Use the JSON file to create a custom role in Azure.

The following example shows how to create a custom role using the Azure CLI 2.0:

az role definition create --role-definition C:\Policy_for_cloud_Manager_Azure_3.8.5.json

You should now have a custom role called *Cloud Manager Operator*.

- 2. Assign the application to the role:
 - a. From the Azure portal, open the **Subscriptions** service.
 - b. Select the subscription.
 - c. Click Access control (IAM) > Add > Add role assignment.
 - d. Select the **Cloud Manager Operator** role.
 - e. Keep Azure AD user, group, or service principal selected.
 - f. Search for the name of the application (you can't find it in the list by scrolling).



g. Select the application and click **Save**.

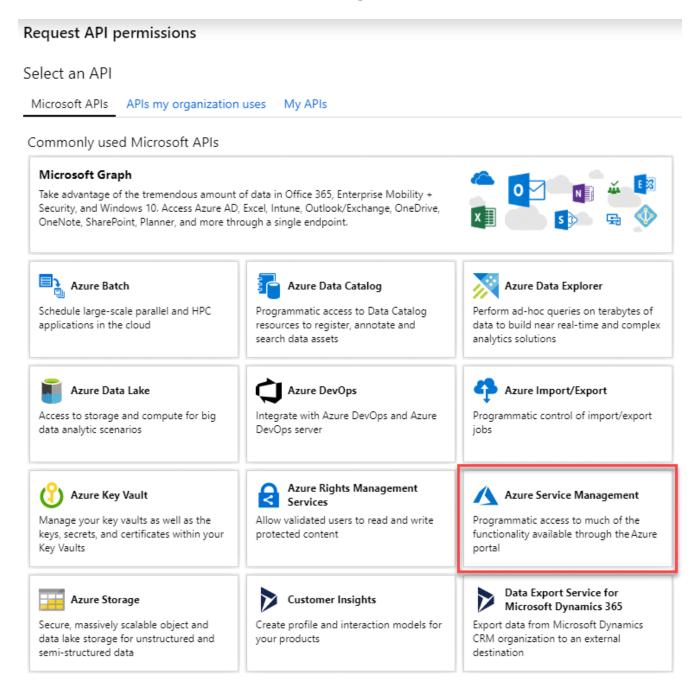
The service principal for Cloud Manager now has the required Azure permissions for that subscription.

If you want to deploy Cloud Volumes ONTAP from multiple Azure subscriptions, then you must bind the service principal to each of those subscriptions. Cloud Manager enables you to select the subscription that you want to use when deploying Cloud Volumes ONTAP.

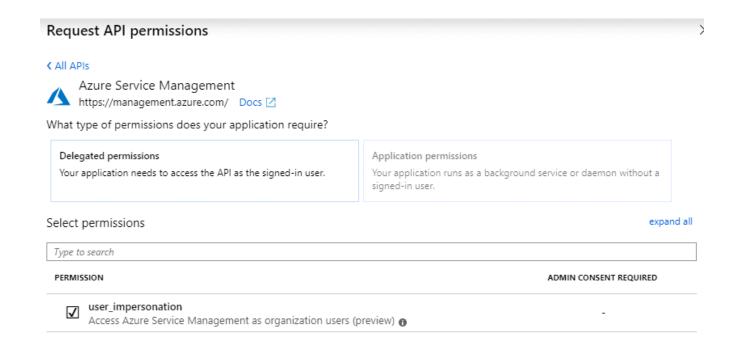
Adding Windows Azure Service Management API permissions

The service principal must have "Windows Azure Service Management API" permissions.

- 1. In the **Azure Active Directory** service, click **App registrations** and select the application.
- 2. Click API permissions > Add a permission.
- 3. Under Microsoft APIs, select Azure Service Management.



4. Click Access Azure Service Management as organization users and then click Add permissions.

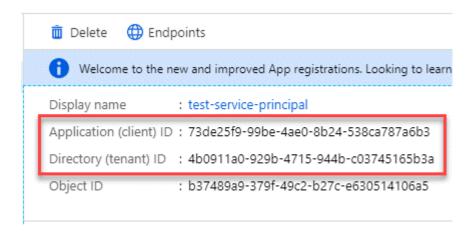


Getting the application ID and directory ID

When you add the Azure account to Cloud Manager, you need to provide the application (client) ID and the directory (tenant) ID for the application. Cloud Manager uses the IDs to programmatically sign in.

Steps

- 1. In the **Azure Active Directory** service, click **App registrations** and select the application.
- 2. Copy the **Application (client) ID** and the **Directory (tenant) ID**.



Creating a client secret

You need to create a client secret and then provide Cloud Manager with the value of the secret so Cloud Manager can use it to authenticate with Azure AD.



When you add the account to Cloud Manager, Cloud Manager refers to the client secret as the Application Key.

Steps

- 1. Open the **Azure Active Directory** service.
- 2. Click **App registrations** and select your application.
- 3. Click Certificates & secrets > New client secret.
- 4. Provide a description of the secret and a duration.
- 5. Click Add.
- 6. Copy the value of the client secret.



Result

Your service principal is now setup and you should have copied the application (client) ID, the directory (tenant) ID, and the value of the client secret. You need to enter this information in Cloud Manager when you add an Azure account.

Adding Azure credentials to Cloud Manager

After you provide an Azure account with the required permissions, you can add the credentials for that account to Cloud Manager. This enables you to launch Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems in that account.

Steps

1. In the upper right of the Cloud Manager console, click the Settings icon, and select **Credentials**.

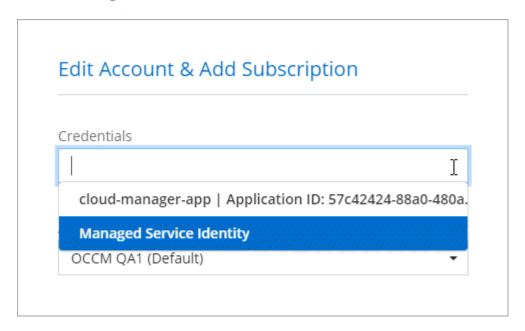


- 2. Click Add Credentials and select Microsoft Azure.
- 3. Enter information about the Azure Active Directory service principal that grants the required permissions:
 - Application (client) ID: See Getting the application ID and directory ID.
 - Directory (tenant) ID: See Getting the application ID and directory ID.
 - Client Secret: See Creating a client secret.

4. Confirm that the policy requirements have been met and then click **Create Account**.

Result

You can now switch to different set of credentials from the Details and Credentials page when creating a new working environment:



Associating additional Azure subscriptions with a managed identity

Cloud Manager enables you to choose the Azure credentials and Azure subscription in which you want to deploy Cloud Volumes ONTAP. You can't select a different Azure subscription for the managed identity profile unless you associate the managed identity with those subscriptions.

About this task

A managed identity is the initial Azure account when you deploy Cloud Manager from NetApp Cloud Central. When you deployed Cloud Manager, Cloud Central created the Cloud Manager Operator role and assigned it to the Cloud Manager virtual machine.

Steps

- 1. Log in to the Azure portal.
- 2. Open the **Subscriptions** service and then select the subscription in which you want to deploy Cloud Volumes ONTAP.
- 3. Click Access control (IAM).
 - a. Click **Add** > **Add role assignment** and then add the permissions:
 - Select the **Cloud Manager Operator** role.

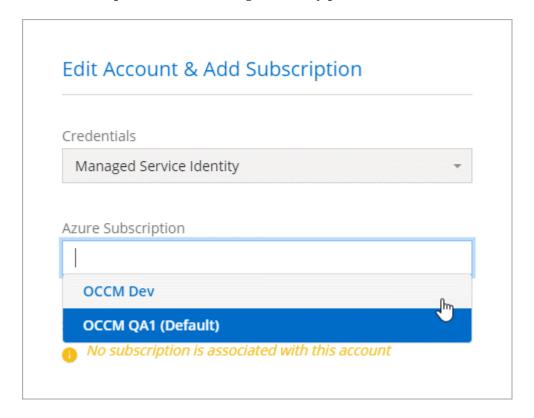


Cloud Manager Operator is the default name provided in the Cloud Manager policy. If you chose a different name for the role, then select that name instead.

- Assign access to a Virtual Machine.
- Select the subscription in which the Cloud Manager virtual machine was created.
- Select the Cloud Manager virtual machine.
- Click Save.
- 4. Repeat these steps for additional subscriptions.

Result

When you create a new working environment, you should now have the ability to select from multiple Azure subscriptions for the managed identity profile.



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