



# Upgrades overview

## HCI

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# Upgrades overview

The content in this section introduces recommended upgrade sequences for components in a NetApp HCI system or SolidFire all-flash storage system.

**System upgrade sequences** content describes the tasks that are needed to complete a NetApp HCI system or SolidFire all-flash storage system upgrade. Ideally these procedures are performed as part of the larger upgrade sequence and not in isolation. If a component-based upgrade or update is needed, see the procedure prerequisites to ensure additional complexities are addressed.

**vSphere upgrade sequences including Element Plug-in for vCenter Server** content describes additional pre- and post-upgrade steps required to re-install the Element Plug-in for vCenter Server.

## System upgrade sequences

Choose one of the following sequences based on your system:

- [Upgrade your NetApp HCI installation for version 1.8.](#)
- [Upgrade your NetApp SolidFire all-flash storage system for Element 12.0.](#)

## vSphere upgrade sequences including Element Plug-in for vCenter Server

Choose one of the following sequences based on your system:

- [Upgrade your vSphere components for a NetApp HCI system with the Element Plug-in for vCenter Server.](#)
- [Upgrade your vSphere components for a NetApp SolidFire storage system with the Element Plug-in for vCenter Server.](#)

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- [NetApp HCI Documentation Center](#)
- [SolidFire and Element Documentation Center](#)

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