

# Performing switchover for tests or maintenance

**ONTAP MetroCluster** 

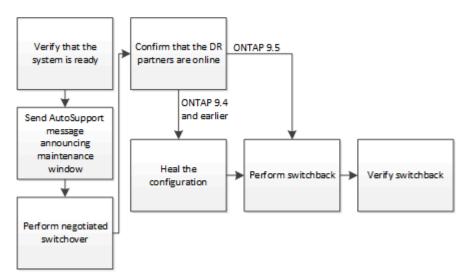
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If you want to test the MetroCluster functionality or to perform planned maintenance, you can perform a negotiated switchover in which one cluster is cleanly switched over to the partner cluster. You can then heal and switch back the configuration.





Starting with ONTAP 9.6, switchover and switchback operations can be performed on MetroCluster IP configurations with ONTAP System Manager.

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