# Azure FileShare Mount Issue Bad Option\_Storage

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## **Symptoms**

You receive "mount bad option" when you try to mount an Azure Files share on Linux.

This issue specially been seen on Red Hat Enterprise Linux release 8.2 (Ootpa)

```
[root@TSG-VM ~]# sudo mount -t cifs //storagetsg1.file.core.windows.net/fileshare1 /mnt/fileshare1 -o credenti
mount: /mnt/fileshare1: bad option; for several filesystems (e.g. nfs, cifs) you might need a /sbin/mount.<typ
[root@TSG-VM ~]# mount -av
                         : ignored
/boot
                         : already mounted
/boot/efi
                         : already mounted
/home
                         : already mounted
                         : already mounted
/tmp
                         : already mounted
/usr
                         : already mounted
/var
/mnt
                         : already mounted
mount: /mnt/fileshare1: bad option; for several filesystems (e.g. nfs, cifs) you might need a /sbin/mount.<typ
[root@TSG-VM ~]#
```

Error while mounting the cifs azure file share: "bad option; for several filesystems (e.g. nfs, cifs) you might need a /sbin/mount.<type> helper program."

#### Cause

Known issue in RHEL 8.2 as /sbin/mount.cifs binary file is not present because cifs-utils rpm package is not installed by default.

This can be verified by navigating to the /sbin/mount.cifs path using the below command:

```
[root@TSG-VM ~]# ls -l /sbin/mount.cifs
ls: cannot access '/sbin/mount.cifs': No such file or directory
[root@TSG-VM ~]#
```

This result would be: '/sbin/mount.cifs': No such file or directory

### Resolution

Need to check which rpm package provides the binary: '/sbin/mount.cifs'

```
[root@TSG-VM ~]# yum whatprovides /sbin/mount.cifs
Last metadata expiration check: 0:10:17 ago on Sun 23 Oct 2022 01:51:03 PM UTC.
cifs-utils-6.8-2.el8.x86_64 : Utilities for mounting and managing CIFS mounts
Repo : rhel-8-for-x86_64-baseos-eus-rhui-rpms
Matched from:
Filename : /usr/sbin/mount.cifs

cifs-utils-6.8-3.el8.x86_64 : Utilities for mounting and managing CIFS mounts
Repo : rhel-8-for-x86_64-baseos-eus-rhui-rpms
Matched from:
Filename : /usr/sbin/mount.cifs
```

Install rpm package cifs-utils using the below command:

```
yum install cifs-utils
Last metadata expiration check: 0:15:53 ago on Sun 23 Oct 2022 01:51:03 PM UTC.
Dependencies resolved.
```

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Architecture Version Repository \_\_\_\_\_\_ Installing: cifs-utils x86\_64 6.8-3.el8 rhel-8-for-x86 64-b Installing dependencies: keyutils x86 64 1.5.10-6.el8 rhel-8-for-x86 64-b Transaction Summary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Install 2 Packages Total download size: 159 k Installed size: 306 k Is this ok [y/N]: y Downloading Packages: (1/2): keyutils-1.5.10-6.el8.x86 64.rpm (2/2): cifs-utils-6.8-3.el8.x86 64.rpm Total Running transaction check Transaction check succeeded. Running transaction test Transaction test succeeded. Running transaction Preparing :
Installing : keyutils-1.5.10-6.el8.x86\_64
Installing : cifs-utils-6.8-3.el8.x86\_64 Running scriptlet: cifs-utils-6.8-3.el8.x86\_64 Verifying : keyutils-1.5.10-6.el8.x86\_64 Verifying : cifs-utils-6.8-3.el8.x86\_64 Installed products updated. Installed: cifs-utils-6.8-3.el8.x86\_64 keyutils-1.5.10-6.el8.x86\_64 Complete! [root@TSG-VM ~]#

Once the above rpm is installed we can verify if the binary file is present.

```
[root@TSG-VM ~]# ls -l /sbin/mount.cifs
-rwxr-xr-x. 1 root root 46792 Dec 18 2019 /sbin/mount.cifs
[root@TSG-VM ~]#
```

Post verifying the binary file, you will be able to successfully mount the file share.

```
[root@TSG-VM ~]# sudo mount -t cifs //storagetsg1.file.core.windows.net/fileshare1 /mnt/fileshare1 -o credenti
[root@TSG-VM ~]# df -hT /mnt/fileshare1
                                              Type Size Used Avail Use% Mounted on
Filesystem
//storagetsg1.file.core.windows.net/fileshare1 cifs 5.0T
                                                             0 5.0T 0% /mnt/fileshare1
[root@TSG-VM ~]#
[root@TSG-VM ~]# umount /mnt/fileshare1
[root@TSG-VM ~]#
[root@TSG-VM ~]#
[root@TSG-VM ~]# mount -av
                        : ignored
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                        : already mounted
/home
                        : already mounted
/tmp
                        : already mounted
/usr
                        : already mounted
/var
                        : already mounted
                        : already mounted
mount.cifs kernel mount options: ip=20.60.7.136,unc=\\storagetsg1.file.core.windows.net\fileshare1,dir_mode=07
/mnt/fileshare1 : successfully mounted
[root@TSG-VM ~]#
```

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