# Disable the smartd service on NetApp HCI compute nodes

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By default, the smartd service periodically polls the drives in your compute nodes. You should disable this service on all compute nodes after you deploy NetApp HCI.

#### Steps

- 1. Using SSH or a local console session, log in to VMware ESXi on the compute node using root credentials.
- 2. Stop the running smartd service:

/etc/init.d/smartd stop

3. Prevent the smartd service from starting at boot:

chkconfig smartd off

4. Repeat these steps on the rest of the compute nodes in your installation.

### Find more information

- Turn off the smartd service in VMware ESXi
- VMware KB article 2133286

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