

## How to Create Swap Partition ?

Step-1 First verify the all swap partition with harddisk status

```
[root@localhost ~]# free -h
              total          used          free          shared  buff/cache
available
Mem:          3.7Gi          1.2Gi          1.7Gi           15Mi          781Mi
2.2Gi
Swap:          2.0Gi              0B           2.0Gi
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapon -s
Filename                                Type              Size  Used  Priority
/dev/sda3                               partition 2047996    0
-2
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# lsblk
NAME        MAJ:MIN RM  SIZE RO TYPE MOUNTPOINT
sda           8:0    0   30G  0 disk
â"â"sda1      8:1    0 1000M  0 part /boot
â"â"sda2      8:2    0 14.7G  0 part /
â"â"sda3      8:3    0    2G  0 part [SWAP]
sr0          11:0    1   6.6G  0 rom  /run/media/root/RHEL-8-0-0-BaseOS-
x86_64
[root@localhost ~]#
```

step-2-Go into your harddisk and create a new partition (it can be a primary or can be a logical)

```
[root@localhost ~]# fdisk /dev/sda
```

```
Welcome to fdisk (util-linux 2.32.1).
Changes will remain in memory only, until you decide to write them.
Be careful before using the write command.
```

```
Command (m for help): n
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Partition type
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  p   primary (3 primary, 0 extended, 1 free)
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  e   extended (container for logical partitions)
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```
Select (default e): e
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```
Selected partition 4
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```
First sector (36866048-62914559, default 36866048):
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```
Last sector, +sectors or +size{K,M,G,T,P} (36866048-62914559, default 62914559):
```

Created a new partition 4 of type 'Extended' and of size 12.4 GiB.

Command (m for help):

Command (m for help): p

Disk /dev/sda: 30 GiB, 32212254720 bytes, 62914560 sectors  
Units: sectors of 1 \* 512 = 512 bytes  
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes  
I/O size (minimum/optimal): 512 bytes / 512 bytes  
Disklabel type: dos  
Disk identifier: 0xf085a991

Device	Boot	Start	End	Sectors	Size	Id	Type
/dev/sda1	*	2048	2050047	2048000	1000M	83	Linux
/dev/sda2		2050048	32770047	30720000	14.7G	83	Linux
/dev/sda3		32770048	36866047	4096000	2G	82	Linux swap / Solaris
/dev/sda4		36866048	62914559	26048512	12.4G	5	Extended

Command (m for help):

Command (m for help): n

All primary partitions are in use.  
Adding logical partition 5  
First sector (36868096-62914559, default 36868096):  
Last sector, +sectors or +size{K,M,G,T,P} (36868096-62914559, default 62914559): +1G

Command (m for help): p

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Units: sectors of 1 \* 512 = 512 bytes  
Sector size (logical/physical): 512 bytes / 512 bytes  
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/dev/sda3		32770048	36866047	4096000	2G	82	Linux swap / Solaris
/dev/sda4		36866048	62914559	26048512	12.4G	5	Extended
/dev/sda5		36868096	38965247	2097152	1G	83	Linux

Command (m for help):

Command (m for help): t

```
Partition number (1-5, default 5): 5
Hex code (type L to list all codes): l
Hex code (type L to list all codes): 82
```

Changed type of partition 'Linux swap / Solaris' to 'Linux swap / Solaris'.

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```
Command (m for help): w
The partition table has been altered.
Syncing disks.
```

```
[root@localhost ~]#
```

Step-3      update your partition table without reboot your machine....

```
[root@localhost ~]# partprobe    /dev/sda            {support till rhel-7}
```

OR

```
[root@localhost ~]# udevadm    settle                            {New command in rhel-8}
```

Step-4-      Create the swap partition and activate it

```
[root@localhost ~]# mkswap        /dev/sda5
Setting up swapspace version 1, size = 1024 MiB (1073737728 bytes)
no label, UUID=ceae22f0-523d-43c5-80f6-8b4faa9e6c8e
[root@localhost ~]#
```

```
[root@localhost ~]#  
[root@localhost ~]# swapon /dev/sda5
```

```
[root@localhost ~]# swapon -s  
Filename                                Type              Size  Used Priority  
/dev/sda3                               partition 2047996    0  
-2  
/dev/sda5                               partition 1048572    0  
-3
```

```
[root@localhost ~]# free -h  
              total        used          free        shared  buff/cache  
available  
Mem:          3.7Gi        1.2Gi        1.9Gi            18Mi        627Mi  
2.2Gi  
Swap:          3.0Gi            0B        3.0Gi  
[root@localhost ~]#
```

Step-5 now perform the permanent mounting step ...

```
[root@localhost ~]# vim /etc/fstab
```

add this line bottom of this file.....

```
/dev/sda5                                swap                                swap  
defaults                                0 0
```

save and quit from this file.

```
[root@localhost ~]# mount -a  
[root@localhost ~]#  
[root@localhost ~]#  
[root@localhost ~]# systemctl daemon-reload
```

```
[root@localhost ~]# free -h  
              total        used          free        shared  buff/cache  
available  
Mem:          3.7Gi        1.2Gi        1.8Gi            19Mi        638Mi  
2.2Gi  
Swap:          3.0Gi            0B        3.0Gi
```

```
[root@localhost ~]#  
[root@localhost ~]# cat /proc/swaps  
Filename                                Type              Size  Used Priority  
/dev/sda3                               partition2047996    0    -2  
/dev/sda5                               partition1048572    0    -3  
[root@localhost ~]#  
[root@localhost ~]#  
[root@localhost ~]# cat /proc/meminfo | grep -i swap  
SwapCached:            0 kB  
SwapTotal:             3096568 kB
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SwapFree: 3096568 kB

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how to remove Swap partition step by step..... ?

```
[root@localhost ~]# swapoff /dev/sda5
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapon -s
Filename                                Type              Size  Used  Priority
/dev/sda3                               partition 2047996      0
    -2
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapon /dev/sda5
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapon -s
Filename                                Type              Size  Used  Priority
/dev/sda3                               partition 2047996      0
    -2
/dev/sda5                               partition 1048572      0
    -3
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapoff -a
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapon -s
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[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]#
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    -2
/dev/sda5                               partition 1048572      0
    -3
[root@localhost ~]#

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[root@localhost ~]#
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    -2
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# vim /etc/fstab
```

delete the last line from this fgile.

:wq

root@localhost ~]# mount -a

[root@localhost ~]#

[root@localhost ~]#

[root@localhost ~]# free -h

	total	used	free	shared	buff/cache
available					
Mem:	3.7Gi	1.2Gi	1.9Gi	19Mi	637Mi
2.2Gi					
Swap:	2.0Gi	0B	2.0Gi		

[root@localhost ~]#

[root@localhost ~]# fdisk /dev/sda

Welcome to fdisk (util-linux 2.32.1).

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Command (m for help): d

Partition number (1-5, default 5): 5

Partition 5 has been deleted.

Command (m for help): d

Partition number (1-4, default 4): 4

Partition 4 has been deleted.

Command (m for help): w

The partition table has been altered.  
Syncing disks.

[root@localhost ~]#

[root@localhost ~]#

[root@localhost ~]#

[root@localhost ~]# udevadm settle

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how to Create SWAP by using FILE method ?

Types of Swap creation method ?

1- By using partition

2- by using File with the help of dd command

```
[root@localhost ~]# df -h
Filesystem      Size  Used Avail Use% Mounted on
devtmpfs        1.9G   0    1.9G   0% /dev
tmpfs           1.9G   0    1.9G   0% /dev/shm
tmpfs           1.9G  9.9M   1.9G   1% /run
tmpfs           1.9G   0    1.9G   0% /sys/fs/cgroup
/dev/sda2       15G   3.9G   11G   27% /
/dev/sda1       994M  165M   830M   17% /boot
tmpfs          376M   16K   376M   1% /run/user/42
tmpfs          376M   4.6M   372M   2% /run/user/0
/dev/sr0        6.7G   6.7G    0 100% /run/media/root/RHEL-8-0-0-BaseOS-x86_64
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# dd if=/dev/zero of=/swapfile bs=1G count=1
1+0 records in
1+0 records out
1073741824 bytes (1.1 GB, 1.0 GiB) copied, 7.95487 s, 135 MB/s
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# ls /
bin boot dev etc home lib lib64 media mnt opt proc root
run sbin srv swapfile sys tmp usr var
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# du -sh /swapfile
1.0G /swapfile
[root@localhost ~]# file /swapfile
/swapfile: data
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# mkswap -v1 -f /swapfile
mkswap: /swapfile: insecure permissions 0644, 0600 suggested.
Setting up swapspace version 1, size = 1024 MiB (1073737728 bytes)
no label, UUID=49f5f56a-6614-4e83-b5f0-50afb18aedc8
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapon /swapfile
swapon: /swapfile: insecure permissions 0644, 0600 suggested.
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# chmod 600 /swapfile
[root@localhost ~]#
```

```
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapon -s
Filename                                Type              Size  Used Priority
/dev/sda3                               partition        2047996    524
-2
/swapfile                               file              1048572     0
-3
```

```
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# free -h
              total        used         free       shared    buff/cache
available
Mem:          3.7Gi        1.2Gi        1.1Gi          19Mi        1.4Gi
2.2Gi
Swap:          3.0Gi         0.0Ki        3.0Gi
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# vim /etc/fstab
```

```
/swapfile                                swap
defaults 0 0
```

save and quit

```
[root@localhost ~]# mount -a
```

how to Remove Swap file ?.....

```
[root@localhost ~]# swapoff /swapfile
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# swapon -s
Filename                                Type              Size  Used Priority
/dev/sda3                               partition        2047996    272
-2
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# vim /etc/fstab
```

delete the last line

save and quit.

```
[root@localhost ~]# mount -a
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# file /swapfile
/swapfile: Linux/i386 swap file (new style), version 1 (4K pages),
size 262143 pages, no label, UUID=49f5f56a-6614-4e83-b5f0-50afb18aedc8
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# rm -rf /swapfile
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]#
[root@localhost ~]# df -h
```



Filesystem	Size	Used	Avail	Use%	Mounted on
devtmpfs	1.9G	0	1.9G	0%	/dev
tmpfs	1.9G	0	1.9G	0%	/dev/shm
tmpfs	1.9G	9.9M	1.9G	1%	/run
tmpfs	1.9G	0	1.9G	0%	/sys/fs/cgroup
/dev/sda2	15G	3.9G	11G	27%	/
/dev/sda1	994M	165M	830M	17%	/boot
tmpfs	376M	16K	376M	1%	/run/user/42
tmpfs	376M	4.6M	372M	2%	/run/user/0
/dev/sr0	6.7G	6.7G	0	100%	/run/media/root/RHEL-8-0-0-

BaseOS-x86\_64  
[root@localhost ~]#

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