



# NVMe/FC Host Configuration for SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP1 with ONTAP

## ONTAP SAN Host

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## Supportability

NVMe/FC is supported on ONTAP 9.6 or later for the following versions of SLES:

- SLES15 SP1

SLES15 SP1 host can run both NVMe/FC, & FCP (FC-SCSI) traffic through the same fibre channel initiator adapter ports. See the [Hardware Universe](#) for a list of supported FC adapters and controllers.

For the most current list of supported configurations & versions, see the [NetApp Interoperability Matrix](#).

## Known limitations

None. Native NVMe/FC auto-connect scripts are included in the nvme-cli package. You can use the native inbox lpfc driver on SLES15 SP1.

## Enabling NVMe/FC on SLES15 SP1

1. Upgrade to SLES15 SP1 MU kernel-default-4.12.14-197.40.1. See the [NetApp Interoperability Matrix](#) for the most current list of supported versions.

```
# uname -r
4.12.14-197.40-default
```

2. Upgrade to nvme-cli-1.8.1-6.9.1 MU package.

This nvme-cli package contains the native NVMe/FC auto-connect scripts, so you do not need to install the external NVMe/FC auto-connect scripts provided by Broadcom on the SLES15 SP1 host. This package also includes the ONTAP udev rule which enables round-robin load balancing for NVMe multipath, and the NetApp plug-in for ONTAP devices.

```
# rpm -qa | grep nvme-cli
nvme-cli-1.8.1-6.9.1.x86_64
```

3. On the SLES15 SP1 host, check the hostnqn string at `/etc/nvme/hostnqn` and verify that it matches the hostnqn string for the corresponding subsystem on the ONTAP array.

```
# cat /etc/nvme/hostnqn
nqn.2014-08.org.nvmexpress:uuid:75953f3b-77fe-4e03-bf3c-09d5a156fbcd
```

```
*> vserver nvme subsystem host show -vserver vs_nvme_10
Vserver Subsystem Host NQN
-----
sles_117_nvme_ss_10_0
nqn.2014-08.org.nvmexpress:uuid:75953f3b-77fe-4e03-bf3c-09d5a156fbcd
```

4. Reboot the host.

## Configuring the Broadcom FC Adapter for NVMe/FC

1. Verify that you are using the supported adapter. For the most current list of supported adapters see the [NetApp Interoperability Matrix](#).

```
# cat /sys/class/scsi_host/host*/modelname
LPe32002-M2
LPe32002-M2
```

```
# cat /sys/class/scsi_host/host*/modeldesc
Emulex LightPulse LPe32002-M2 2-Port 32Gb Fibre Channel Adapter
Emulex LightPulse LPe32002-M2 2-Port 32Gb Fibre Channel Adapter
```

2. Verify that you are using the recommended Broadcom lpfc firmware and native inbox driver versions.

```
# cat /sys/class/scsi_host/host*/fwrev
12.4.243.17, sil-4.2.c
12.4.243.17, sil-4.2.c
```

```
# cat /sys/module/lpfc/version
0:12.6.0.0
```

3. Verify that lpfc\_enable\_fc4\_type is set to 3.

```
# cat /sys/module/lpfc/parameters/lpfc_enable_fc4_type
3
```

4. Verify that the initiator ports are up and running.

```
# cat /sys/class/fc_host/host*/port_name
0x10000090fae0ec61
0x10000090fae0ec62
```

```
# cat /sys/class/fc_host/host*/port_state
Online
Online
```

5. Verify that the NVMe/FC initiator ports are enabled, running and able to see the target LIFs.

```
# cat /sys/class/scsi_host/host*/nvme_info
NVME Initiator Enabled
XRI Dist lpfc0 Total 6144 NVME 2947 SCSI 2977 ELS 250
NVME LPORT lpfc0 WWPN x10000090fae0ec61 WWNN x20000090fae0ec61 DID x012000 ONLINE
NVME RPORT WWPN x202d00a098c80f09 WWNN x202c00a098c80f09 DID x010201 TARGET DISCSRV
ONLINE
NVME RPORT WWPN x203100a098c80f09 WWNN x202c00a098c80f09 DID x010601 TARGET DISCSRV
ONLINE
NVME Statistics
...
```

## Validating NVMe/FC

1. Verify the following NVMe/FC settings.

```
# cat /sys/module/nvme_core/parameters/multipath
Y
```

```
# cat /sys/class/nvme-subsystem/nvme-subsys*/model
NetApp ONTAP Controller
NetApp ONTAP Controller
```

```
# cat /sys/class/nvme-subsystem/nvme-subsys*/iopolicy
round-robin
round-robin
```

2. Verify that the namespaces are created.

```
# nvme list
Node SN Model Namespace Usage Format FW Rev
-----
/dev/nvme0n1 80BADBKnB/JvAAAAAAC NetApp ONTAP Controller 1 53.69 GB / 53.69 GB 4 KiB
+ 0 B FFFFFFFF
```

### 3. Verify the status of the ANA paths.

```
# nvme list-subsys/dev/nvme0n1
Nvme-subsysf0 □ NQN=nqn.1992-
08.com.netapp:sn.341541339b9511e8a9b500a098c80f09:subsystem.sles_117_nvme_ss_10_0
\
+- nvme0 fc traddr=nn-0x202c00a098c80f09:pn-0x202d00a098c80f09 host_traddr=nn-
0x20000090fae0ec61:pn-0x10000090fae0ec61 live optimized
+- nvme1 fc traddr=nn-0x207300a098dfdd91:pn-0x207600a098dfdd91 host_traddr=nn-
0x200000109b1c1204:pn-0x100000109b1c1204 live inaccessible
+- nvme2 fc traddr=nn-0x207300a098dfdd91:pn-0x207500a098dfdd91 host_traddr=nn-
0x200000109b1c1205:pn-0x100000109b1c1205 live optimized
+- nvme3 fc traddr=nn-0x207300a098dfdd91:pn-0x207700a098dfdd91 host traddr=nn-
0x200000109b1c1205:pn-0x100000109b1c1205 live inaccessible
```

### 4. Verify the NetApp plug-in for ONTAP devices.

```
# nvme netapp ontapdevices -o column
Device  Vserver  Namespace Path          NSID  UUID  Size
-----  -
/dev/nvme0n1  vs_nvme_10  /vol/sles_117_vol_10_0/sles_117_ns_10_0  1
55baf453-f629-4a18-9364-b6aee3f50dad  53.69GB

# nvme netapp ontapdevices -o json
{
  "ONTAPdevices" : [
    {
      "Device" : "/dev/nvme0n1",
      "Vserver" : "vs_nvme_10",
      "Namespace_Path" : "/vol/sles_117_vol_10_0/sles_117_ns_10_0",
      "NSID" : 1,
      "UUID" : "55baf453-f629-4a18-9364-b6aee3f50dad",
      "Size" : "53.69GB",
      "LBA_Data_Size" : 4096,
      "Namespace_Size" : 13107200
    }
  ]
}
```

# Enabling 1MB I/O Size for Broadcom NVMe/FC

The `lpfc_sg_seg_cnt` parameter must be set to 256 in order for the host to issue 1MB size I/O.

1. Set the `lpfc_sg_seg_cnt` parameter to 256.

```
# cat /etc/modprobe.d/lpfc.conf
options lpfc lpfc_sg_seg_cnt=256
```

2. Run a `dracut -f` command, and reboot the host.
3. Verify that `lpfc_sg_seg_cnt` is 256.

```
# cat /sys/module/lpfc/parameters/lpfc_sg_seg_cnt
256
```

## LPFC Verbose Logging

1. You can set the `lpfc_log_verbose` driver setting to any of the following values to log NVMe/FC events.

```
#define LOG_NVME 0x00100000 /* NVME general events. */
#define LOG_NVME_DISC 0x00200000 /* NVME Discovery/Connect events. */
#define LOG_NVME_ABTS 0x00400000 /* NVME ABTS events. */
#define LOG_NVME_IOERR 0x00800000 /* NVME IO Error events. */
```

2. After setting any of these values, run `dracut-f` and reboot host.
3. After rebooting, verify the settings.

```
# cat /etc/modprobe.d/lpfc.conf
lpfc_enable_fc4_type=3 lpfc_log_verbose=0xf00083

# cat /sys/module/lpfc/parameters/lpfc_log_verbose
15728771
```

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