## **NVMe/FC Host Configurations**

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## **NVMe/FC Host Configurations**

#### **RHEL**

#### NVMe/FC Host Configuration for RHEL 8.1 with ONTAP

#### **Supportability**

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

• RHEL 8.1

RHEL 8.1 host can run both NVMe & 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 see the NetApp Interoperability Matrix.

#### **Known limitations**

- Native NVMe/FC auto-connect scripts are not available in the nvme-cli package. You can use the HBA vendor provided external auto-connect script.
- By default, NVMe multipath is disabled. It must be manually enabled. Steps are provided in the section on Enabling NVMe/FC on RHEL 8.1.
- By default, round-robin load balancing is not enabled.

  You must write a udev rule to enable this functionality. Steps are provided in the section on Enabling NVMe/FC on RHEL 8.1.

#### **Enabling NVMe/FC on RHEL 8.1**

- 1. Install Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.1 on the server.
- 2. After the installation is complete, verify that you are running the specified Red Hat Enterprise Linux kernel. See the NetApp Interoperability Matrix for the most current list of supported versions.

```
# uname -r
4.18.0-147.el8.x86_64
```

3. Install the nvme-cli-1.8.1-3.el8 package.

```
# rpm -qa|grep nvme-cli
nvme-cli-1.8.1-3.el8.x86_64
```

4. Enable in-kernel NVMe multipath.

```
# grubby Dargs=nvme_core.multipath=Y Dupdate-kernel /boot/vmlinuz-4.18.0-147.el8.x86_64
```

5. Add the string below as a separate udev rule at /lib/udev/rules.d/71-nvme-iopolicy-netapp-ONTAP.rules. This enables round-robin load balancing for NVMe multipath.

```
# Enable round-robin for NetApp ONTAP
ACTION==DaddD, SUBSYSTEM==Dnvme-subsystemD, ATTR{model}==DNetApp ONTAP ControllerD,
ATTR{iopolicy}=Dround-robin
```

6. On the RHEL 8.1 host, check the host NQN string at /etc/nvme/hostnqn and verify that it matches the host NQN 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
-----
rhel_141_nvme_ss_10_0
nqn.2014-08.org.nvmexpress:uuid:75953f3b-77fe-4e03-bf3c-09d5a156fbcd
```



If the host NQN strings do not match, you should use the vserver modify command to update the host NQN string on your corresponding ONTAP array subsystem to match to host NQN string from /etc/nvme/hostnqn on the host.

7. 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. Copy and install the Broadcom lpfc outbox driver and auto-connect scripts.

```
# tar -xvzf elx-lpfc-dd-rhel8-12.4.243.20-ds-1.tar.gz
# cd elx-lpfc-dd-rhel8-12.4.2453.20-ds-1
# ./elx_lpfc_install-sh -i -n
```

#### Note:

The native drivers that come bundled with the OS are called inbox drivers. If you download the outbox drivers (drivers that are not included with the OS release), an auto-connect script is included in the download and should be installed as part of the driver installation process.

- 3. Reboot the host.
- 4. Verify that you are using the recommended Broadcom lpfc firmware, outbox driver & auto-connect package versions.

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

```
# cat /sys/module/lpfc/version
0:12.4.243.20
```

```
# rpm -qa | grep nvmefc
nvmefc-connect-12.6.61.0-1.noarch
```

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

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

6. 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
```

7. 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 DISCSRVC
ONLINE
NVME RPORT WWPN x203100a098c80f09 WWNN x202c00a098c80f09 DID x010601 TARGET DISCSRVC
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/JvAAAAAAAC NetApp ONTAP Controller 1 53.69 GB / 53.69 GB 4 KiB
+ 0 B FFFFFFFF
```

3. Verify the status of the ANA paths.

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/rhel_141_vol_10_0/rhel_141_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/rhel_141_vol_10_0/rhel_141_ns_10_0",
        "NSID" : 1,
        "UUID": "55baf453-f629-4a18-9364-b6aee3f50dad",
        "Size": "53.69GB",
        "LBA Data Size": 4096,
        "Namespace_Size" : 13107200
   }
1
```

#### 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
```

### **NVMe/FC Host Configuration for RHEL 8.2 with ONTAP**

#### **Supportability**

NVMe/FC is supported on ONTAP 9.6 or later for RHEL 8.2. The RHEL 8.2 host runs both NVMe and SCSI traffic through the same fibre channel (FC) initiator adapter ports. See the Hardware Universe for a list of supported FC adapters and controllers. For the most current list of supported configurations and versions, see the NetApp Interoperability Matrix.

#### **Known limitations**

For RHEL 8.2, in-kernel NVMe multipath remains disabled by default. Therefore, you need to enable it manually. Steps for doing so are provided in the next section, "Enabling NVMe/FC".

#### **Enabling NVMe/FC**

1. Install Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8.2 GA on the server.

If you are upgrading from RHEL 8.1 to RHEL 8.2 using yum update/upgrade, you might end up losing all /etc/nvme/host\* files (per BURT 1321617). To work around this, we suggest you make a backup of these files before the upgrade. In addition, remove the manually edited udev rule at /lib/udev/rules.d/71-nvme-iopolicy-netapp-ONTAP.rules (if it exists). Once you've upgraded to RHEL 8.2, run yum remove nvme-cli. Then run yum install nvmecli to restore the host files at /etc/nvme/. Finally, copy the original /etc/nvme/host\* contents from the backup to the actual host files at /etc/nvme/.

2. After the installation is complete, verify that you're running the specified Red Hat Enterprise Linux kernel.

```
# uname -r
4.18.0-193.el8.x86_64
```

See the NetApp Interoperability Matrix for the most current list of supported versions.

3. Install the nvme-cli package.

```
# rpm -qa|grep nvme-cli
nvme-cli-1.9.5.el8.x86_64
```

4. Enable in-kernel NVMe multipath.

```
# grubby Dargs=nvme_core.multipath=Y Dupdate-kernel /boot/vmlinuz-4.18.0-193.el8.x86_64
```

5. On the RHEL 8.2 host, check the host NQN string at /etc/nvme/hostnqn and verify that it matches the host NQN string for the corresponding subsystem on the ONTAP array.

If the host NQN strings do not match, use the vserver modify command to update the host NQN string on the corresponding ONTAP array subsystem to match to host NQM string from /etc/nvme/hostngn on the host.

- 6. Reboot the host.
- 7. Update the enable\_foreign setting (optional).

If you intend to run both NVMe and SCSI traffic on the same RHEL 8.2 co-existent host, we recommend you use in-kernel NVMe multipath for ONTAP namespaces and dm-multipath for ONTAP LUNs, respectively. You should aslo blacklist the ONTAP namespaces in dm-multipath to prevent dm-multipath from claiming these namespace devices. You do this by adding the enable\_foreign setting to the /etc/multipath.conf, as shown below.

```
# cat /etc/multipath.conf
defaults {
   enable_foreign NONE
}
```

8. Restart the multipathd daemon by running a systemctl restart multipathd.

#### Configuring the Broadcom FC Adapter

For the most current list of supported adapters see the see the NetApp Interoperability Matrix.

1. Verify that you are using the supported adapter.

```
# 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 as well as the inbox driver.

```
# cat /sys/class/scsi_host/host*/fwrev
12.6.182.8, sli-4:2:c
12.6.182.8, sli-4:2:c
```

```
# cat /sys/module/lpfc/version
0:12.6.0.2
```

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 and are able to see the target LIFs.

```
# cat /sys/class/fc_host/host*/port_name
0x100000109b1c1204
0x100000109b1c1205
```

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

# cat /sys/class/scsi\_host/host\*/nvme\_info NVME Initiator Enabled XRI Dist lpfc0 Total 6144 IO 5894 ELS 250 NVME LPORT lpfc0 WWPN x100000109b1c1204 WWNN x200000109b1c1204 DID x011d00 ONLINE NVME RPORT WWPN x203800a098dfdd91 WWNN x203700a098dfdd91 DID x010c07 TARGET DISCSRVC ONLINE NVME RPORT WWPN x203900a098dfdd91 WWNN x203700a098dfdd91 DID x011507 TARGET DISCSRVC ONI THE **NVME** Statistics LS: Xmt 0000000f78 Cmpl 0000000f78 Abort 00000000 LS XMIT: Err 00000000 CMPL: xb 00000000 Err 00000000 Total FCP Cmpl 000000002fe29bba Issue 000000002fe29bc4 OutIO 000000000000000 abort 00001bc7 noxri 00000000 nondlp 00000000 gdepth 00000000 wgerr 00000000 err 00000000 FCP CMPL: xb 00001e15 Err 0000d906 NVME Initiator Enabled XRI Dist lpfc1 Total 6144 IO 5894 ELS 250 NVME LPORT lpfc1 WWPN x100000109b1c1205 WWNN x200000109b1c1205 DID x011900 ONLINE NVME RPORT WWPN x203d00a098dfdd91 WWNN x203700a098dfdd91 DID x010007 TARGET DISCSRVC NVME RPORT WWPN x203a00a098dfdd91 WWNN x203700a098dfdd91 DID x012a07 TARGET DISCSRVC ONLINE **NVME** Statistics LS: Xmt 0000000fa8 Cmpl 0000000fa8 Abort 00000000 LS XMIT: Err 00000000 CMPL: xb 00000000 Err 00000000 abort 000016bb noxri 00000000 nondlp 00000000 qdepth 00000000 wqerr 00000000 err 00000000 FCP CMPL: xb 00001f50 Err 0000d9f8

5. Enable 1 MB I/O size (optional).

The lpfc\_sg\_seg\_cnt parameter needs to be set to 256 for the lpfc driver to issue I/O requests up to 1 MB in size.

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

- 6. Run a dracut -f command and then reboot the host.
- 7. After the host boots up, verify that lpfc sg seg cnt is set to 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
```

#### **SUSE**

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

#### **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 nyme-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 host NQN string at /etc/nvme/hostnqn and verify that it matches the host NQN 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 x100000090fae0ec61 WWNN x200000090fae0ec61 DID x012000 ONLINE
NVME RPORT WWPN x202d00a098c80f09 WWNN x202c00a098c80f09 DID x010201 TARGET DISCSRVC
ONLINE
NVME RPORT WWPN x203100a098c80f09 WWNN x202c00a098c80f09 DID x010601 TARGET DISCSRVC
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/JvAAAAAAAC NetApp ONTAP Controller 1 53.69 GB / 53.69 GB 4 KiB
+ 0 B FFFFFFFF
```

3. Verify the status of the ANA paths.

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

```
# nvme netapp ontapdevices -o column
        Vserver Namespace Path
                                            NSID
                                                   UUID Size
/dev/nvme0n1
              vs_nvme_10 /vol/sles_117_vol_10_0/sles_117_ns_10_0
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
   }
1
```

#### 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\_sq\_seq\_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
```

#### **Oracle Linux**

#### NVMe/FC Host Configuration for Oracle Linux 7.7 with ONTAP

#### **Supportability**

NVMe/FC is supported on ONTAP 9.6 or later for the following versions of Oracle Linux

• OL 7.7

OL 7.7 host can run both NVMe & 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 see the NetApp Interoperability Matrix.

#### **Known limitations**

- Native NVMe/FC auto-connect scripts are not available in the nvme-cli package. You can use the HBA vendor provided external auto-connect scripts.
- By default, round-robin load balancing is not enabled.

  You must write a udev rule to enable this functionality. Steps are provided in the section on Enabling NVMe/FC on OL 7.7.

#### **Enabling NVMe on OL 7.7**

- 1. Ensure the default Oracle Linux 7.7 kernel is installed.
- 2. Reboot the host and verify that it boots into specified OL 7.7 kernel.

```
# uname -r
4.14.35-1902.9.2.el7uek
```

3. Upgrade to the nvme-cli-1.8.1-3.el7 package.

```
# rpm -qa|grep nvme-cli
nvme-cli-1.8.1-3.el7.x86_64
```

4. Add the string below as a separate udev rule at /lib/udev/rules.d/71-nvme-iopolicy-netapp-ONTAP.rules. This enables round-robin load balancing for NVMe multipath.

```
# Enable round-robin for NetApp ONTAP
ACTION==DaddD, SUBSYSTEM==Dnvme-subsystemD, ATTR{model}==DNetApp ONTAP ControllerD,
ATTR{iopolicy}=Dround-robin
```

5. On the OL 7.7 host, check the host NQN string at /etc/nvme/hostnqn and verify that it matches the host NQN 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
------
ol_157_nvme_ss_10_0
nqn.2014-08.org.nvmexpress:uuid:75953f3b-77fe-4e03-bf3c-09d5a156fbcd
```



If the host NQN strings do not match, you should use the vserver modify command to update the host NQN string on your corresponding ONTAP array subsystem to match to host NQN string from /etc/nvme/hostnqn on the host.

1. 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. Copy and install the Broadcom outbox auto-connect scripts package.

```
# rpm -ivh nvmefc-connect-12.4.65.0-1.noarch.rpm
```

- 3. Reboot the host.
- 4. Verify that you are using the recommended Broadcom lpfc firmware, native inbox driver & outbox auto-connect package versions. For a list of supported versions, see the NetApp Interoperability Matrix.

```
# 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
0:12.0.0.10

# rpm -qa | grep nvmefc
nvmefc-connect-12.4.65.0-1.noarch
```

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

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

6. 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
```

7. 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 DISCSRVC
ONLINE
NVME RPORT WWPN x203100a098c80f09 WWNN x202c00a098c80f09 DID x010601 TARGET DISCSRVC
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/JvAAAAAAAC NetApp ONTAP Controller 1 53.69 GB / 53.69 GB 4 KiB
+ 0 B FFFFFFFF
```

3. Verify the status of the ANA paths.

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/rhel_141_vol_10_0/ol_157_ns_10_0
55baf453-f629-4a18-9364-b6aee3f50dad
                                      53.69GB
# nvme netapp ontapdevices -o json
   "ONTAPdevices" : [
  {
       Device" : "/dev/nvme0n1",
        "Vserver" : "vs_nvme_10",
        "Namespace_Path" : "/vol/rhel_141_vol_10_0/ol_157_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
```

#### **ESXi**

#### NVMe/FC Host Configuration for ESXi 7.0 with ONTAP

#### **Supportability**

NVME/FC is supported on ONTAP 9.7 or later for ESXi 7.0.

ESXi initiator host can run both NVMe/FC & FCP traffic through the same 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**

The following are not supported:

- · RDM mapping
- VVols

#### **Enabling NVMe/FC with ANA**

1. Disable the HppManageDegradedPaths parameter for improved interoperability with ONTAP:

```
# esxcfg-advcfg -s 0 /Misc/HppManageDegradedPaths
```

- 2. Reboot the host.
- 3. After reboot, verify that the HppManageDegradedPaths parameter is now disabled:

```
# esxcfg-advcfg -g /Misc/HppManageDegradedPaths
Value of HppManageDegradedPaths is 0
```

4. Check the ESXi host NQN string and verify that it matches with the host NQN string for the corresponding subsystem on the ONTAP array.

#### Listing 1. Example

#### Configuring the Broadcom FC adapter for NVMe/FC

1. Install the recommended lpfc driver by copying it to a temporary folder and then executing the following command:

```
# esxcli software vib install -d /tmp/t/Emulex-FCoE-FC-lpfc-12.4.224.0-offline-bundle-
13621872.zip --no-sig-check
Installation Result
   Message: The update completed successfully, but the system needs to be rebooted for the changes to be effective.
   Reboot Required: true
   VIBs Installed: EMU_bootbank_lpfc_12.4.224.0-10EM.688.0.0.13621872
   VIBs Removed: EMU_bootbank_lpfc_12.4.211.6-10EM.688.0.0.13621872
   VIBs Skipped:
```

2. If necessary, set the lpfc driver parameter lpfc\_enable\_fc4\_type=3 for enabling NVMe/FC support in the lpfc driver:



This parameter is set by default for the LPe35000-series adapters. You must perform the following step to set it manually for LPe32000-series & LPe31000-series adapters.

```
# esxcli system module parameters set -m lpfc -p lpfc_enable_fc4_type=3
```

3. Use the elxmgmt utility to upgrade the Broadcom FC adapter firmware to the recommended version:

```
# esxcli software vib install -d /tmp/t/Emulex-elxmgmt-6.8.7-12.4.211.7.zip --no-sig
-check
Installation Result
   Message: The update completed successfully, but the system needs to be rebooted for
the changes to be effective.
   Reboot Required: true
   VIBs Installed: EMU_bootbank_emu-esx-elxmgmt_12.4.211.7-01
   VIBs Removed:
   VIBs Skipped:
...
```

- 4. Reboot the host.
- 5. After reboot, verify that the recommended lpfc driver and adapter firmware versions have applied and the initiator ports are online:

```
# esxcli storage san fc list
Adapter: vmhba3
   Port ID: 010600
   Node Name: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8e
   Port Name: 10:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8e
   Speed: 32 Gbps
   Port Type: NPort
   Port State: ONLINE
  Model Description: Emulex LightPulse LPe32002-M2 2-Port 32Gb Fibre Channel Adapter
  Hardware Version: 0000000c
   OptionROM Version: 12.4.217.2
   Firmware Version: 12.4.217.2
   Driver Name: lpfc
  DriverVersion: 12.4.224.0
  Adapter: vmhba4
   Port ID: 010F00
   Node Name: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8f
   Port Name: 10:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8f
   Speed: 32 Gbps
   Port Type: NPort
   Port State: ONLINE
  Model Description: Emulex LightPulse LPe32002-M2 2-Port 32Gb Fibre Channel Adapter
  Hardware Version: 0000000c
  OptionROM Version: 12.4.217.2
   Firmware Version: 12.4.217.2
   Driver Name: lpfc
   DriverVersion: 12.4.224.0
```

#### Validating NVMe/FC

1. Verify that the ONTAP target NVMe/FC controllers are properly discovered on the ESXi host:

```
# esxcli nvme controller list
Name
Controller Number Adapter Transport Type Is Online
ngn.1992-
08.com.netapp:sn.e7f89c2c245d11e9975300a098dfce55:subsystem.interop_57_vm_01#vmhba32#2
04900a098dfe3d1:204a00a098dfe3d1
                                               259 vmhba32 FC
false
ngn.1992-
08.com.netapp:sn.e7f89c2c245d11e9975300a098dfce55:subsystem.interop_57_vm_09#vmhba32#2
                                               263 vmhba32 FC
04900a098dfe3d1:204a00a098dfe3d1
false
ngn.1992-
08.com.netapp:sn.e7f89c2c245d11e9975300a098dfce55:subsystem.interop_57_vm_11#vmhba32#2
04900a098dfe3d1:204a00a098dfe3d1
                                               267 vmhba32 FC
false
ngn.1992-
08.com.netapp:sn.e7f89c2c245d11e9975300a098dfce55:subsystem.interop_57_vm_10#vmhba32#2
04900a098dfe3d1:204a00a098dfe3d1
                                                265 vmhba32 FC
false
ngn.1992-
08.com.netapp:sn.e7f89c2c245d11e9975300a098dfce55:subsystem.interop_57_vm_02#vmhba32#2
04900a098dfe3d1:204a00a098dfe3d1
                                                261 vmhba32 FC
false
```

#### 2. Verify that the NVMe/FC namespaces are properly created:

The UUIDs in the following example represent the NVMe/FC namespace devices.

```
#esxcfg-mpath -b
uuid.0d12b7cd97344be8a53b7913f8f72f04 : NVMe Fibre Channel Disk
(uuid.0d12b7cd97344be8a53b7913f8f72f04)
  vmhba65:C0:T9:L30 LUN:30 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8f
20:4d:00:a0:98:df:e3:d1
  vmhba64:C0:T9:L30 LUN:30 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8e
20:4c:00:a0:98:df:e3:d1
  vmhba64:C0:T5:L30 LUN:30 state:standby fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8e
20:4a:00:a0:98:df:e3:d1
  vmhba65:C0:T0:L30 LUN:30 state:standby fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8f
20:4b:00:a0:98:df:e3:d1
uuid.49de7683950d47c9898f51443d893910 : NVMe Fibre Channel Disk
(uuid.49de7683950d47c9898f51443d893910)
  vmhba65:C0:T12:L39 LUN:39 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8f
20:27:00:a0:98:df:e3:d1
  vmhba65:C0:T13:L39 LUN:39 state:standby fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8f
20:29:00:a0:98:df:e3:d1
  vmhba64:C0:T12:L39 LUN:39 state:active fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8e
20:3b:00:a0:98:df:e3:d1
  vmhba64:C0:T13:L39 LUN:39 state:standby fc Adapter: WWNN: 20:00:00:90:fa:e0:ec:8e
20:28:00:a0:98:df:e3:d1
```



In ONTAP 9.7, the default block size for a NVMe/FC namespace is 4K. This default size is not compatible with ESXi. Therefore, when creating namespaces for ESXi, you must set the namespace block size 512b. You can do this using the vserver namespace create command.

#### Example

vserver nvme namespace create -vserver vs\_1 -path /vol/nsvol/namespace1 -size 100g -ostype vmware -block-size 512B

Refer to the ONTAP 9 Command man pages for additional details.

3. Verify the status of the individual ANA paths of the respective NVMe/FC namespace devices:

# esxcli storage hpp path list

```
fc.20000090fae0ec8f:10000090fae0ec8f-fc.204900a098dfe3d1:204d00a098dfe3d1-
uuid.1aa669c5376240a28ae47d8d549586ea
   Runtime Name: vmhba65:C0:T9:L33
   Device: uuid.1aa669c5376240a28ae47d8d549586ea
   Device Display Name: NVMe Fibre Channel Disk
(uuid.1aa669c5376240a28ae47d8d549586ea)
   Path State: active
fc.20000090fae0ec8e:10000090fae0ec8e-fc.204900a098dfe3d1:204a00a098dfe3d1-
uuid.1aa669c5376240a28ae47d8d549586ea
   Runtime Name: vmhba64:C0:T5:L33
   Device: uuid.1aa669c5376240a28ae47d8d549586ea
   Device Display Name: NVMe Fibre Channel Disk
(uuid.1aa669c5376240a28ae47d8d549586ea)
   Path State: standby
:leveloffset: -1
= Windows
:leveloffset: +1
[[IDe33bc71c427003a80b912e5b177d6b73]]
= NVMe/FC Host Configuration for Windows Server 2019 with ONTAP
:toc: macro
:hardbreaks:
:toclevels: 1
:nofooter:
:icons: font
:linkattrs:
:imagesdir: ./media/
== Supportability
NVMe/FC is supported on ONTAP 9.7 or later for Windows Server 2019.
Note that the Broadcom initiator can serve both NVMe/FC and FCP traffic through the
same 32G FC adapter ports. For FCP and FC/NVMe, use MSDSM as the Microsoft Multipath
I/O (MPIO) option.
See the link:https://hwu.netapp.com/Home/Index[Hardware Universe] for a list of
supported FC adapters and controllers. For the most current list of supported
configurations & versions, see the link:https://mysupport.netapp.com/matrix/[NetApp
Interoperability Matrix].
```

== Known limitations

Windows Failover Cluster (WFC) is not supported with ONTAP NVMe/FC because ONTAP does not currently support persistent reservations with NVMe/FC.

NOTE: The external driver shipped by Broadcom for Windows NVMe/FC is not a true NVMe/FC driver but a translational SCSI \( \text{ NVMe driver.} \) This translational overhead does not necessarily impact performance, but it does negate the performance benefits of NVMe/FC. Thus, on Windows servers, NVMe/FC and FCP performance is the same, unlike on other operating systems such as Linux, where NVMe/FC performance is significantly better than that of FCP.

== Enabling NVMe/FC on a Windows initiator host

Follow these steps to enable FC/NVMe on the Windows initiator host:

- . Install OneCommand Manager utility on the Windows host.
- . On each of the HBA initiator ports, set the following HBA driver parameters:
- +
- \* EnableNVMe = 1
- \* NVMEMode = 0
- \* LimTransferSize=1
- +
- . Reboot the host.
- == Configuring the Broadcom FC adapter in Windows for NVMe/FC

With the Broadcom adapter for FC/NVMe in a Windows environment, a `+hostnqn+` is associated with each host bus adapter (HBA) port. The `+hostnqn+` is formatted as follows.

.Example

```
nqn.2017-01.com.broadcom:ecd:nvmf:fc:100000109b1b9765
nqn.2017-01.com.broadcom:ecd:nvmf:fc:100000109b1b9766
```

=== Enabling MPIO for NVMe devices on the Windows host

- . Install Windows Host Utility Kit 7.1 to set the driver parameters that are common to both FC and NVMe.
- . Open the MPIO properties.
- . From the \*Discover Multi-Paths\* tab, add the device ID listed for NVMe.

MPIO becomes aware of the NVMe devices, which are visible under disk management.

- . Open \*Disk Management\* and go to \*Disk Properties\*.
- . From the \*MPIO\* tab, click \*Details\*.
- . Set the following MSDSM settings:

HKLM\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Services\mpio\Parameters\PathRecoveryInterval DWORD → 30

```
+
. Reboot the host.
+
The NVMe configuration is now complete on the Windows host.
== Validating NVMe/FC

. Validate that the Port Type is FC+NVMe.
+
Now that NVMe is enabled, you should see the `+Port Type+` listed as `+FC+NVMe+`, as follows.
+
```

PS C:\Program Files\Emulex\Util\OCManager> .\hbacmd listhba

#### Manageable HBA List

Port WWN: 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:65 Node WWN: 20:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:65 Fabric Name: 10:00:c4:f5:7c:a5:32:e0

Flags: 8000e300

Host Name : INTEROP-57-159 Mfg : Emulex Corporation Serial No. : FC71367217

Port Number : 0 Mode : Initiator PCI Bus Number : 94 PCI Function : 0 Port Type: FC+NVMe Model: LPe32002-M2

Port WWN: 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66 Node WWN: 20:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66 Fabric Name: 10:00:c4:f5:7c:a5:32:e0

Flags: 8000e300

Host Name: INTEROP-57-159 Mfg: Emulex Corporation Serial No.: FC71367217

Port Number: 1 Mode: Initiator PCI Bus Number: 94 PCI Function: 1 Port Type: FC+NVMe

Model: LPe32002-M2

. Validate that NVMe/FC subsystems have been discovered.

+

The '+nvme-list+' command lists the NVMe/FC discovered subsystems.

+

PS C:\Program Files\Emulex\Util\OCManager> .\hbacmd nvme-list 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:65

Discovered NVMe Subsystems for 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:65

NVMe Qualified Name : ngn.1992-

08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159

Port WWN: 20:09:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0180

Model Number : NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number : 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version : FFFFFFFF Total Capacity : Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

NVMe Qualified Name : ngn.1992-

 $08. com. net app: sn. a 3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105: subsystem. win\_nvme\_interop-57-159$ 

Port WWN: 20:06:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0181

Model Number : NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number : 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version: FFFFFFF

Total Capacity: Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

Note: At present Namespace Management is not supported by NetApp Arrays.

+

PS C:\Program Files\Emulex\Util\OCManager> .\hbacmd nvme-list 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66

Discovered NVMe Subsystems for 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66

NVMe Qualified Name : nqn.1992-

08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159

Port WWN: 20:07:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0140

Model Number : NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number : 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version : FFFFFFF Total Capacity : Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

NVMe Qualified Name : ngn.1992-

08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159

Port WWN: 20:08:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0141

Model Number : NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number : 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version : FFFFFFF Total Capacity : Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

Note: At present Namespace Management is not supported by NetApp Arrays.

. Validate that namespaces have been created.

+

The '+nvme-list-ns+' command lists the namespaces for a specified NVMe target that lists the namespaces connected to the host.

+

PS C:\Program Files\Emulex\Util\OCManager> .\HbaCmd.exe nvme-list-ns 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66 20:08:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 nq

.1992-08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159 0

NSID	DeviceName	SCSI Bus Number	SCSI Target Number	SCSI OS LUN
00000001	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE9	0	1	0
00000002	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE10	0	1	1
00000003	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE11	0	1	2
00000004	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE12	0	1	3
00000005	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE13	0	1	4
00000006	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE14	0	1	5
00000007	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE15	0	1	6
8000000	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE16	0	1	7

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= NVMe/FC Host Configuration for Windows Server 2016 with ONTAP

:toc: macro
:hardbreaks:
:toclevels: 1
:nofooter:
:icons: font
:linkattrs:

:imagesdir: ./media/

#### == Supportability

NVMe/FC is supported on ONTAP 9.7 or later for Windows Server 2016.

Note that the Broadcom initiator can serve both NVMe/FC and FCP traffic through the same 32G FC adapter ports. For FCP and FC/NVMe, use MSDSM as the Microsoft Multipath I/O (MPIO) option.

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Windows Failover Cluster (WFC) is not supported with ONTAP NVMe/FC because ONTAP does not currently support persistent reservations with NVMe/FC.

NOTE: The external driver shipped by Broadcom for Windows NVMe/FC is not a true NVMe/FC driver but a translational SCSI D NVMe driver. This translational overhead does not necessarily impact performance, but it does negate the performance benefits of NVMe/FC. Thus, on Windows servers, NVMe/FC and FCP performance is the same, unlike on other

operating systems such as Linux, where NVMe/FC performance is significantly better than that of FCP. == Enabling NVMe/FC on a Windows initiator host Follow these steps to enable FC/NVMe on the Windows initiator host: . Install OneCommand Manager utility on the Windows host. . On each of the HBA initiator ports, set the following HBA driver parameters: \* EnableNVMe = 1 \* NVMEMode = 0 \* LimTransferSize=1 . Reboot the host. == Configuring the Broadcom FC adapter in Windows for NVMe/FC With the Broadcom adapter for FC/NVMe in a Windows environment, a '+hostnqn+' is associated with each host bus adapter (HBA) port. The '+hostngn+' is formatted as follows. .Example ngn.2017-01.com.broadcom:ecd:nvmf:fc:100000109b1b9765 ngn.2017-01.com.broadcom:ecd:nvmf:fc:100000109b1b9766 === Enabling MPIO for NVMe devices on the Windows host . Install Windows Host Utility Kit 7.1 to set the driver parameters that are common to both FC and NVMe. . Open the MPIO properties. . From the \*Discover Multi-Paths\* tab, add the device ID listed for NVMe. MPIO becomes aware of the NVMe devices, which are visible under disk management. . Open \*Disk Management\* and go to \*Disk Properties\*. . From the \*MPIO\* tab, click \*Details\*. . Set the following MSDSM settings: + \* PathVerifiedPeriod: \*10\* \* PathVerifyEnabled: \*Enable\* \* RetryCount: \*6\* \* RetryInterval: \*1\* \* PDORemovedPeriod: \*130\* . Select the MPIO Policy \*Round Robin with Subset\*.

```
. Change the registry values:
+
```

HKLM\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Services\mpio\Parameters\PathRecoveryInterval DWORD → 30

+
. Reboot the host.
+
The NVMe configuration is now complete on the Windows host.
== Validating NVMe/FC
. Validate that the Port Type is FC+NVMe.
+
Now that NVMe is enabled, you should see the `+Port Type+` listed as `+FC+NVMe+`, as follows.
+

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Flags: 8000e300

Host Name: INTEROP-57-159 Mfg: Emulex Corporation Serial No.: FC71367217

Port Number: 0 Mode: Initiator PCI Bus Number: 94 PCI Function: 0 Port Type: FC+NVMe Model: LPe32002-M2

Port WWN: 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66 Node WWN: 20:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66 Fabric Name: 10:00:c4:f5:7c:a5:32:e0

Flags: 8000e300

Host Name: INTEROP-57-159

Mfg: Emulex Corporation Serial No.: FC71367217

Port Number: 1
Mode: Initiator
PCI Bus Number: 94
PCI Function: 1

Port Type: FC+NVMe Model: LPe32002-M2

. Validate that NVMe/FC subsystems have been discovered.

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The '+nvme-list+' command lists the NVMe/FC discovered subsystems.

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PS C:\Program Files\Emulex\Util\OCManager> .\hbacmd nvme-list 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:65

Discovered NVMe Subsystems for 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:65

NVMe Qualified Name : nqn.1992-

08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159

Port WWN: 20:09:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0180

Model Number : NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number : 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version : FFFFFFF Total Capacity : Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

NVMe Qualified Name : ngn.1992-

08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159

Port WWN: 20:06:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0181

Model Number : NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number : 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version : FFFFFFFF Total Capacity : Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

Note: At present Namespace Management is not supported by NetApp Arrays.

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Discovered NVMe Subsystems for 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66

NVMe Qualified Name : nqn.1992-

08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159

Port WWN: 20:07:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0140

Model Number : NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number : 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version : FFFFFFF Total Capacity : Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

NVMe Qualified Name : nqn.1992-

08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159

Port WWN: 20:08:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0141

Model Number: NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number: 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version : FFFFFFF Total Capacity : Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

Note: At present Namespace Management is not supported by NetApp Arrays.

. Validate that namespaces have been created.

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The `+nvme-list-ns+` command lists the namespaces for a specified NVMe target that lists the namespaces connected to the host.

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PS C:\Program Files\Emulex\Util\OCManager> .\HbaCmd.exe nvme-list-ns 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:66 20:08:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 nq

.1992-08.com.netapp:sn.a3b74c32db2911eab229d039ea141105:subsystem.win\_nvme\_interop-57-159 0

Active Namespaces (attached to controller 0x0141):

NSID	DeviceName	SCSI Bus Number	SCSI Target Number	SCSI OS LUN
x00000001	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE9	0	1	0
x00000002	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE10	0	1	1
x00000003	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE11	0	1	2
x00000004	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE12	0	1	3
x00000005	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE13	0	1	4
x00000006	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE14	0	1	5
x00000007	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE15	0	1	6
80000000x	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE16	0	1	7

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= NVMe/FC Host Configuration for Windows Server 2012 R2 with ONTAP

:toc: macro
:hardbreaks:
:toclevels: 1
:nofooter:
:icons: font
:linkattrs:

:imagesdir: ./media/

== Supportability

NVMe/FC is supported on ONTAP 9.7 or later for Windows Server 2016.

Note that the Broadcom initiator can serve both NVMe/FC and FCP traffic through the same 32G FC adapter ports. For FCP and FC/NVMe, use MSDSM as the Microsoft Multipath I/O (MPIO) option.

See the link:https://hwu.netapp.com/Home/Index[Hardware Universe] for a list of supported FC adapters and controllers. For the most current list of supported configurations & versions, see the link:https://mysupport.netapp.com/matrix/[NetApp Interoperability Matrix].

#### == Known limitations

Windows Failover Cluster (WFC) is not supported with ONTAP NVMe/FC because ONTAP does not currently support persistent reservations with NVMe/FC.

NOTE: The external driver shipped by Broadcom for Windows NVMe/FC is not a true NVMe/FC driver but a translational SCSI D NVMe driver. This translational overhead does not necessarily impact performance, but it does negate the performance benefits of NVMe/FC. Thus, on Windows servers, NVMe/FC and FCP performance is the same, unlike on other operating systems such as Linux, where NVMe/FC performance is significantly better than that of FCP.

== Enabling NVMe/FC on a Windows initiator host Follow these steps to enable FC/NVMe on the Windows initiator host: . Install OneCommand Manager utility on the Windows host. . On each of the HBA initiator ports, set the following HBA driver parameters: \* EnableNVMe = 1 \* NVMEMode = 0 \* LimTransferSize=1 . Reboot the host. == Configuring the Broadcom FC adapter in Windows for NVMe/FC With the Broadcom adapter for FC/NVMe in a Windows environment, a '+hostngn+' is associated with each host bus adapter (HBA) port. The '+hostnqn+' is formatted as follows. .Example ngn.2017-01.com.broadcom:ecd:nvmf:fc:100000109b1b9765 ngn.2017-01.com.broadcom:ecd:nvmf:fc:100000109b1b9766 === Enabling MPIO for NVMe devices on the Windows host . Install Windows Host Utility Kit 7.1 to set the driver parameters that are common to both FC and NVMe. . Open the MPIO properties. . From the \*Discover Multi-Paths\* tab, add the device ID listed for NVMe. MPIO becomes aware of the NVMe devices, which are visible under disk management. . Open \*Disk Management\* and go to \*Disk Properties\*. . From the \*MPIO\* tab, click \*Details\*. . Set the following MSDSM settings: \* PathVerifiedPeriod: \*10\* \* PathVerifyEnabled: \*Enable\* \* RetryCount: \*6\* \* RetryInterval: \*1\* \* PDORemovedPeriod: \*130\* . Select the MPIO Policy \*Round Robin with Subset\*. . Change the registry values: +

 $HKLM \ SYSTEM \ Current Control Set \ Services \ mpio$ 

\Parameters\

UseCustomPathRecoveryInterval

DWORD → 1

. Reboot the host.

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The NVMe configuration is now complete on the Windows host.

== Validating NVMe/FC

. Validate that the Port Type is FC+NVMe.

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Now that NVMe is enabled, you should see the `+Port Type+` listed as `+FC+NVMe+`, as follows.

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#### PS C:\Program Files\Emulex\Util\OCManager> .\hbacmd listhba

#### Manageable HBA List

Port WWN: 10:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:65 Node WWN: 20:00:00:10:9b:1b:97:65 Fabric Name: 10:00:c4:f5:7c:a5:32:e0

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Flags: 8000e300

Host Name: INTEROP-57-159 Mfg: Emulex Corporation Serial No.: FC71367217

Port Number: 1

Mode: Initiator PCI Bus Number: 94 PCI Function: 1 Port Type: FC+NVMe Model: LPe32002-M2

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Controller ID: 0x0140

Model Number : NetApp ONTAP Controller Serial Number : 81CGZBPU5T/uAAAAAAB

Firmware Version : FFFFFFF Total Capacity : Not Available

Unallocated Capacity: Not Available

NVMe Qualified Name : nqn.1992-

 $08. com. net app: sn. a 3b 74c 32db 2911eab 229d 039ea 141105: subsystem. win \_nvme\_interop-57-159ab 229d 039ea 141000: subsystem. win \_nvme\_interop-57-159ab 229d$ 

Port WWN: 20:08:d0:39:ea:14:11:04 Node WWN: 20:05:d0:39:ea:14:11:04

Controller ID: 0x0141

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Active Namespaces (attached to controller 0x0141):

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0000001	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE9	0	1	0
00000002	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE10	0	1	1
00000003	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE11	0	1	2
00000004	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE12	0	1	3
0000005	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE13	0	1	4
0000006	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE14	0	1	5
00000007	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE15	0	1	6
80000000	\\.\PHYSICALDRIVE16	0	1	7

:leveloffset: -1

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