



# **Host port protocol conversion**

## **E-Series Systems**

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# Host port protocol conversion

## Requirements for EF300 or EF600 host protocol conversion

Before converting the host protocol for an EF300 or EF600 array, review the following requirements.

- You have scheduled a downtime maintenance window for this procedure.
- You must stop host I/O operations when you perform the conversion. You cannot access data on the storage array until you have successfully completed the conversion.
- You are using out-of-band management. (You cannot use in-band management to complete this procedure.)
- You have obtained the necessary hardware for the conversion, which may include a new set of HICs and/or SFPs. Your NetApp Sales Representative can help you determine what hardware you need and help you order the correct parts.
- The dual-protocol SFP transceivers support 16Gb and 8Gb FC, as well as 10Gb iSCSI. Therefore, you may not need to change SFPs if you have the dual-protocol and are simply switching between FC and iSCSI or vice versa.
- Some host port protocol conversions may require a host interface card addition, or upgrade.

## Change host protocol for an EF300 or EF600

Follow this procedure to change the host port protocol in an EF300 or EF600 array. This procedure applies only to host interface cards (HICs) using either Infiniband (IB) or Fibre Channel (FC).

### Step 1: Obtain the feature pack key

To obtain the feature pack key, you need the serial number from the controller shelf, a Feature Activation Code, and the Feature Enable Identifier for the storage array.

#### Steps

1. Locate the serial number.
  - a. From SANtricity System Manager, select **Support > Support Center**.
  - b. With the **Support Resources** tab selected, scroll to the **View top storage array properties** section.
  - c. Locate the **Chassis Serial Number**, and copy this value to a text file.

## View top storage array properties

Storage array world-wide identifier (ID):	600A0980006CEF9B00000000574DB18C
Chassis serial number:	1142FG00061
Number of shelves:	2
Number of drives:	41
Drive media types:	HDD
Number of controllers:	2
Controller board ID:	2806

2. Locate the **feature pack submodel ID**.
  - a. From the SANtricity System Manager, select **Support**.
  - b. Select the **Support Center** tile.
  - c. On the Support Resources tab, locate and select the **Storage Array Profile** link.
  - d. Type **feature pack submodel ID** in the text box, and click **Find**.
  - e. Locate the feature pack submodel ID for the starting configuration.

Storage Array Profile

Feature pack submodel ID

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Find

Results: 1 of 1

Feature pack submodel ID:

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Additional feature information

Snapshot groups allowed per base volume (see note below): 4

Volume assignments per host or host cluster: 256

Note: If a volume is a member of a snapshot consistency group, that membership (member volume) counts against both th

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Storage Array

Report Date: 2/13/17 4:56:33 PM UTC

Storage Array Name: LDAPandCLI-Cfg04-Arapaho

Current SANtricity OS Software Version: 88.40.39.74.001

Management Software Version: 11.40.0010.0051

Controller Firmware Version: 88.40.39.74

Supervisor Software Version: 88.40.39.74

IOM (ESM) Version: 81.40.0G00.0006

Current NVSRAM Version: N280X-840834-402

Staged SANtricity OS Software Version: None

Staged NVSRAM Version: None

3. Using the feature pack submodel ID, locate the corresponding Controller submodel ID for the starting configuration and find the Feature Activation Code for the desired ending configuration within the following

table. Then, copy that Feature Activation Code to a text file.

Starting configuration		Ending configuration		Feature Activation Code
Controller submodel ID	HIC ports	Controller submodel ID	HIC ports	
443	NVMe/FC or NVMe/RoCE	444	NVMe/IB	DH5-HB4-ZK9QH
		448	FC	7HZ-EB4-ZHAYW
		491	iSER/IB	0H1-675-Z5SII
		492	SRP/IB	NHD-V75-ZB6ZX
444	NVMe/FC or NVMe/IB	443	NVMe/RoCE	YH3-XB4-ZJRIZ
		448	FC	2HU-BB4-ZFCG5
		491	iSER/IB	2H3-P75-Z6AQQ
		492	SRP/IB	5HG-G75-ZDNEZ
448	FC	443	NVMe/FC or NVMe/RoCE	JHX-UB4-ZGTP1
		444	NVMe/FC or NVMe/IB	LHS-RB4-ZDV29
		491	iSER/IB	FH6-975-Z7Q7H
		492	SRP/IB	0HI-Z75-ZE4L5

Starting configuration		Ending configuration		Feature Activation Code
491	iSER/IB	443	NVMe/FC or NVMe/RoCE	MHQ-M85-ZIJNT
		444	NVMe/FC or NVMe/IB	4HS-685-ZJZ1U
		448	FC	YHU-P85-ZLHCX
		465	FC/PTL	AHX-985-ZMXMI
		492	SRP/IB	ZHZ-S85-ZNF4J
492	SRP/IB	443	NVMe/FC or NVMe/RoCE	EH3-C85-Z0V93
		444	NVMe/FC or NVMe/IB	BH5-V85-ZQDQJ
		448	FC	1H8-F85-ZRT1V
		465	FC/PTL	1HA-Y85-ZSB7S
		491	iSER/IB	KHD-I85-ZUSMI
465	FC/PTL	491	iSER	6H8-S75-Z98FH
		492	SRP	NHL-J75-ZFL3W
516	NVMe/RoCE	517	NVMe/IB	LHF-285-ZV9YZ
		518	FC	IHI-L85-ZXQEP
		519	iSER/IB	RHK-585-ZY7P5
		520	FC-PTL	NHN-095-ZZ0XF
		521	SRP/IB	GHP-895-Z25BD

Starting configuration		Ending configuration		Feature Activation Code
517	NVMe/IB	516	NVMe/RoCE	7HS-R95-Z3M06
		518	FC	UHU-B95-Z43X2
		519	FC-PTL	8HX-U95-Z5K6F
		520	iSER/IB	UHZ-E95-Z71LH
		521	SRP/IB	SH2-X95-Z8IVS
518	FC	516	NVMe/FC or NVMe/RoCE	UH5-H95-Z9Z58
		517	NVMe/FC or NVMe/IB	XH7-195-ZBGJC
		519	FC-PTL	FHA-K95-ZCXX0
		520	iSER/IB	JHC-595-ZDE3X
		521	SRP/IB	0HF-095-ZFVFN
519	FC-PTL	516	NVMe/FC or NVMe/RoCE	YHH-895-ZGCXS
		517	NVMe/FC or NVMe/IB	2HK-R95-ZHT83
		518	FC	1HM-BA5-ZJALA
		520	iSER/IB	YHP-UA5-ZKRXA
		521	SRP/IB	MHR-EA5-ZL83V

Starting configuration		Ending configuration		Feature Activation Code
520	iSER/IB	516	NVMe/FC or NVMe/RoCE	HHU-XA5-ZNPLT
		517	NVMe/FC or NVMe/IB	YHW-HA5-Z07QK
		518	FC	WHZ-1A5-ZPN4U
		519	FC/PTL	7H2-KA5-ZR5C3
		521	SRP	3H5-4A5-ZSLVX
521	SRP/IB	516	NVMe/FC or NVMe/RoCE	1H7-NA5-ZT31W
		517	NVMe/FC or NVMe/IB	XHA-7A5-ZVJGC
		518	FC	KHC-QA5-ZW1P3
		519	FC/PTL	CHE-AA5-ZXH2F
		520	iSER/IB	SHH-TA5-ZZYHS



If your controller submodel ID is not listed, contact [NetApp Support](#).

4. In System Manager, locate the Feature Enable Identifier.
  - a. Go to **Settings > System**.
  - b. Scroll down to **Add-ons**.
  - c. Under **Change Feature Pack**, locate the **Feature Enable Identifier**.
  - d. Copy and paste this 32-digit number to a text file.



Change Feature Pack

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Ensure you have obtained a feature pack file from your Technical Support Engineer. After you have obtained the file, transfer it to the storage array to change your feature pack.

Feature Enable Identifier: 333030343238333030343439574DB18C

Select the feature pack file: 

Browse...

Current feature pack: SMID 261

**Important:** Changing a feature pack is an offline operation. Verify that there are no hosts or applications accessing the storage array and back up all data before proceeding.

Type CHANGE to confirm that you want to perform this operation.

Type change

Change

Cancel

5. Go to [NetApp License Activation: Storage Array Premium Feature Activation](#), and enter the information required to obtain the feature pack.
  - Chassis Serial Number
  - Feature Activation Code
  - Feature Enable Identifier NOTE: The Premium Feature Activation web site includes a link to “Premium Feature Activation Instructions.” Do not attempt to use those instructions for this procedure.
6. Choose whether to receive the key file for the feature pack in an email or download it directly from the site.

## Step 2: Stop host I/O

Stop all I/O operations from the host before converting the protocol of the host ports.

You cannot access data on the storage array until you successfully complete the conversion.

### Steps

1. Ensure that no I/O operations are occurring between the storage array and all connected hosts. For example, you can perform these steps:
  - Stop all processes that involve the LUNs mapped from the storage to the hosts.
  - Ensure that no applications are writing data to any LUNs mapped from the storage to the hosts.
  - Unmount all file systems associated with volumes on the array.



The exact steps to stop host I/O operations depend on the host operating system and the configuration, which are beyond the scope of these instructions. If you are not sure how to stop host I/O operations in your environment, consider shutting down the host.



**Possible data loss** — If you continue this procedure while I/O operations are occurring, you might lose data.

2. Wait for any data in cache memory to be written to the drives.

The green Cache Active LED on the back of each controller is on when cached data needs to be written to the drives. You must wait for this LED to turn off.

3. From the Home page of SANtricity System Manager, select **View Operations in Progress**.
4. Wait for all operations to complete before continuing with the next step.

### Step 3: Change the feature pack

Change the feature pack to convert the host protocol of your host ports.

#### Steps

1. From SANtricity System Manager, select **Settings > System**.
2. Under **Add-ons**, select **Change Feature Pack**.



3. Click **Browse**, and then select the feature pack you want to apply.
4. Type **CHANGE** in the field.
5. Click **Change**.

The feature pack migration begins. Both controllers automatically reboot twice to allow the new feature pack to take effect. The storage array returns to a responsive state after the reboot is complete.

6. Confirm the host ports have the protocol you expect.
  - a. From SANtricity System Manager, select **Hardware**.
  - b. Click **Show back of shelf**.
  - c. Select the graphic for either Controller A or Controller B.
  - d. Select **View settings** from the context menu.
  - e. Select the **Host Interfaces** tab.
  - f. Click **Show more settings**.

#### What's next?

Go to [Complete host protocol conversion](#).

## Complete host protocol conversion for an EF300 or EF600

After you apply the feature pack key to convert the protocol, you must configure the host to use the appropriate protocol.

For step-by-step instructions, see the guide appropriate for your system:

- [Linux express configuration](#)
- [VMware express configuration](#)
- [Windows express configuration](#)

Specific settings might vary. Check the [NetApp Interoperability Matrix](#) for specific instructions and additional recommended settings for your solution.

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