

# License management

**Cloud Volumes ONTAP** 

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## License management

## Manage capacity-based licenses

Manage your capacity-based licenses from the Digital Wallet to ensure that your NetApp account has enough capacity for your Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems.

Capacity-based licenses enable you to pay for Cloud Volumes ONTAP per TiB of capacity.

The *Digital Wallet* enables you to manage licenses for Cloud Volumes ONTAP from a single location. You can add new licenses and update existing licenses.

Learn more about Cloud Volumes ONTAP licenses.

## How licenses are added to the Digital Wallet

After you purchase a license from your NetApp sales representative, NetApp will send you an email with the serial number and additional licensing details.

In the meantime, BlueXP automatically queries NetApp's licensing service to obtain details about the licenses associated with your NetApp Support Site account. If there are no errors, BlueXP automatically adds the licenses to the Digital Wallet.

If BlueXP can't add the license, you'll need to manually add them to the Digital Wallet yourself. For example, if the Connector is installed in a location that doesn't have internet access, you'll need to add the licenses yourself. Learn how to add purchased licenses to your account.

## View the consumed capacity in your account

The Digital Wallet shows you the total consumed capacity in your account and the consumed capacity by licensing package. This can help you understand how you're being charged and whether you need to purchase additional capacity.

### **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. With **Capacity Based Licenses** selected, view the packages summary, which shows you consumed capacity, total licensed capacity, and total PAYGO capacity.
  - Total consumed capacity is the total provisioned capacity of all Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems in your NetApp account. The charging is based on each volume's provisioned size, regardless of local, used, stored, or effective space within the volume.
  - · Total licensed is the total licensed capacity (BYOL) that you purchased from NetApp.
  - Total PAYGO is the total provisioned capacity using cloud marketplace subscriptions. Charging via PAYGO is used only if the consumed capacity is higher than the licensed capacity or if there is no BYOL license available in the Digital Wallet.

Here's an example of an account that has 2000 TiB of consumed capacity:



- 3. Under the summary, view the consumed capacity for each of your licensing packages.
  - Consumed capacity shows you the total capacity of the volumes for that package. For more details
    about a specific package, hover your mouse over the tooltip.

To better understand the capacities that display for the Essentials package, you should be familiar with how charging works. Learn about charging for the Essentials package.

- BYOL shows you the licensed capacity that you purchased from NetApp.
- PAYGO shows you the total consumed capacity by license consumption model.

Here's an example for an account that has several licensing packages:

## Add purchased licenses to your account

If you don't see your purchased licenses in the Digital Wallet, you'll need to add the licenses to BlueXP so that the capacity is available for Cloud Volumes ONTAP.

#### What you'll need

- You need to provide BlueXP the serial number of the license or the license file.
- If you want to enter the serial number, you first need to add your NetApp Support Site account to BlueXP. This is the NetApp Support Site account that's authorized to access the serial number.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select Digital Wallet.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, keep Capacity Based Licenses selected and click Add License.
- 3. Enter the serial number for your capacity-based license or upload the license file.

If you entered a serial number, you also need to select the NetApp Support Site account that's authorized to access the serial number.

4. Click Add License.

## Update a capacity-based license

If you purchased additional capacity or extended the term of your license, BlueXP automatically updates the license in the Digital Wallet. There's nothing that you need to do.

However, if you deployed BlueXP in a location that doesn't have internet access, then you'll need to manually update the license in BlueXP.

## What you'll need

The license file (or files if you have an HA pair).

## Steps

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, click the action menu next to the license and select Update License.
- 3. Upload the license file.
- 4. Click Upload License.

## **Change charging methods**

You can change the charging method for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP system that uses capacity-based licensing. For example, if you deployed a Cloud Volumes ONTAP system with the Essentials package, you can change it to the Professional package if your business needs changed.

### Limitation

Changing to or from the Edge Cache license isn't supported.

## Important note

If you have a private offer or contract from your cloud provider's marketplace, changing to a charging method that's not included in your contract will result in charging against BYOL (if you purchased a license from NetApp) or PAYGO.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, click Change Charging Method.



3. Select a working environment, choose the new charging method, and then confirm your understanding that changing the package type will affect service charges.



4. Click Change Charging Method.

#### Result

BlueXP changes the charging method for the Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.

You might also notice that the Digital Wallet refreshes the consumed capacity for each package type to account for the change that you just made.

## Remove a capacity-based license

If a capacity-based license expired and is no longer in use, then you can remove it at any time.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, click the action menu next to the license and select Remove License.
- 3. Click **Remove** to confirm.

## Manage Keystone Flex Subscriptions

Manage your Keystone Flex Subscriptions from the Digital Wallet by enabling subscriptions for use with Cloud Volumes ONTAP. You can also request changes to the committed capacity and you can unlink subscriptions.

A Keystone Flex Subscription is a pay-as-you-grow storage service offered by NetApp.

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Learn more about Cloud Volumes ONTAP licenses.

## **Authorize your account**

Before you can use and manage Keystone Flex Subscriptions in BlueXP, you need to contact NetApp to authorize your BlueXP user account with your Keystone Flex Subscriptions.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- Click Keystone Flex Subscription.
- If you see the Welcome to NetApp Keystone page, send an email to the address listed on the page.

A NetApp representative will process your request by authorizing your user account to access the subscriptions.

Come back to the Keystone Flex Subscription to view your subscriptions.



#### What's next?

Link the subscriptions that you want to use with Cloud Volumes ONTAP.

## Link a subscription

After NetApp authorizes your account, you need to link Keystone Flex Subscriptions for use with Cloud Volumes ONTAP. This action enables users to select the subscription as the charging method for new Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems.

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. Click Keystone Flex Subscription.

3. For the subscription that you want to link, click ••• and select Link.



## Result

The subscription is now linked to your BlueXP account and available to select when creating a Cloud Volumes ONTAP working environment.

## Request more or less committed capacity

If you need to adjust the committed capacity for a subscription, you can send a request right from the BlueXP interface.

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select Digital Wallet.
- 2. Click Keystone Flex Subscription.
- 3. For the subscription that you want adjust the capacity, click ••• and select View detail and edit.
- 4. Enter the requested committed capacity for one or more subscriptions.



5. Scroll down, enter any additional details for the request, and then click Submit.

## Result

Your request creates a ticket in NetApp's system for processing.

## Unlink a subscription

If you no longer want to use a Keystone Flex Subscription with new Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems, you can unlink the subscription. Note that you can only unlink a subscription that isn't attached to an existing Cloud Volumes ONTAP subscription.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. Click Keystone Flex Subscription.
- 3. For the subscription that you want to unlink, click ••• and select **Unlink**.

#### Result

The subscription is unlinked from your BlueXP account and no longer available to select when creating a Cloud Volumes ONTAP working environment.

## Manage node-based licenses

Manage node-based licenses in the Digital Wallet to ensure that each Cloud Volumes ONTAP system has a valid license with the required capacity.

Node-based licenses are the previous generation licensing model (and not available for new customers):

- BYOL licenses purchased from NetApp
- Hourly pay-as-you-go (PAYGO) subscriptions from your cloud provider's marketplace

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## Manage PAYGO licenses

The Digital Wallet page enables you to view details about each of your PAYGO Cloud Volumes ONTAP systems, including the serial number and PAYGO license type.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select Digital Wallet.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, select Node Based Licenses from the drop-down.
- 3. Click PAYGO.
- 4. View details in the table about each of your PAYGO licenses.



5. If needed, click Manage PAYGO License to change the PAYGO license or to change the instance type.

## Manage BYOL licenses

Manage licenses that you purchased directly from NetApp by adding and removing system licenses and extra capacity licenses.

## Add unassigned licenses

Add a node-based license to the Digital Wallet so that you can select the license when you create a new Cloud Volumes ONTAP system. The Digital Wallet identifies these licenses as *unassigned*.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, select Node Based Licenses from the drop-down.
- 3. Click Unassigned.
- 4. Click Add Unassigned Licenses.
- 5. Enter the serial number of the license or upload the license file.

If you don't have the license file yet, refer to the section below.

Click Add License.

#### Result

BlueXP adds the license to the Digital Wallet. The license will be identified as unassigned until you associate it with a new Cloud Volumes ONTAP system. After that happens, the license moves to the **BYOL** tab in the Digital Wallet.

## **Exchange unassigned node-based licenses**

If you have an unassigned node-based license for Cloud Volumes ONTAP that you haven't used, you can exchange the license by converting it to a Cloud Backup license, a Cloud Data Sense license, or a Cloud Tiering license.

Exchanging the license revokes the Cloud Volumes ONTAP license and creates a dollar-equivalent license for the service:

- Licensing for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP HA pair is converted to a 51 TiB data service license
- Licensing for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP single node is converted to a 32 TiB data service license

The converted license has the same expiry date as the Cloud Volumes ONTAP license.

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, select Node Based Licenses from the drop-down.
- 3. Click Unassigned.
- 4. Click Exchange License.



- 5. Select the service that you'd like to exchange the license with.
- 6. If you're prompted, select an additional license for the HA pair.
- 7. Read the legal consent and click Agree.

#### Result

BlueXP converts the unassigned license to the service that you selected. You can view the new license in the **Data Services Licenses** tab.

## Obtain a system license file

In most cases, BlueXP can automatically obtain your license file using your NetApp Support Site account. But if it can't, then you'll need to manually upload the license file. If you don't have the license file, you can obtain it from netapp.com.

## **Steps**

- 1. Go to the NetApp License File Generator and log in using your NetApp Support Site credentials.
- 2. Enter your password, choose your product, enter the serial number, confirm that you have read and accepted the privacy policy, and then click **Submit**.

## **Example**

Choose whether you want to receive the serialnumber.NLF JSON file through email or direct download.

## Update a system license

When you renew a BYOL subscription by contacting a NetApp representative, BlueXP automatically obtains the new license from NetApp and installs it on the Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.

If BlueXP can't access the license file over the secure internet connection, you can obtain the file yourself and then manually upload the file to BlueXP.

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, select Node Based Licenses from the drop-down.
- 3. In the BYOL tab, expand the details for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.
- 4. Click the action menu next to the system license and select **Update License**.
- 5. Upload the license file (or files if you have an HA pair).

6. Click **Update License**.

#### Result

BlueXP updates the license on the Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.

## Manage extra capacity licenses

You can purchase extra capacity licenses for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP BYOL system to allocate more than the 368 TiB of capacity that's provided with a BYOL system license. For example, you might purchase one extra license capacity to allocate up to 736 TiB of capacity to Cloud Volumes ONTAP. Or you could purchase three extra capacity licenses to get up to 1.4 PiB.

The number of licenses that you can purchase for a single node system or HA pair is unlimited.

## Add capacity licenses

Purchase an extra capacity license by contacting us through the chat icon in the lower-right of BlueXP. After you purchase the license, you can apply it to a Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, select Node Based Licenses from the drop-down.
- 3. In the BYOL tab, expand the details for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.
- 4. Click Add Capacity License.
- 5. Enter the serial number or upload the license file (or files if you have an HA pair).
- 6. Click Add Capacity License.

### **Update capacity licenses**

If you extended the term of an extra capacity license, you'll need to update the license in BlueXP.

## **Steps**

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, select Node Based Licenses from the drop-down.
- In the BYOL tab, expand the details for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.
- 4. Click the action menu next to the capacity license and select **Update License**.
- 5. Upload the license file (or files if you have an HA pair).
- 6. Click Update License.

#### Remove capacity licenses

If an extra capacity license expired and is no longer in use, then you can remove it at any time.

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, select Node Based Licenses from the drop-down.
- 3. In the **BYOL** tab, expand the details for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.
- Click the action menu next to the capacity license and select Remove License.

Click Remove.

### Convert an Eval license to a BYOL

An evaluation license is good for 30 days. You can apply a new BYOL license on top of the evaluation license for an in-place upgrade.

When you convert an Eval license to a BYOL, BlueXP restarts the Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.

- For a single-node system, the restart results in I/O interruption during the reboot process.
- For an HA pair, the restart initiates takeover and giveback to continue serving I/O to clients.

## Steps

- 1. From the left navigation menu, select **Digital Wallet**.
- 2. On the Cloud Volumes ONTAP tab, select Node Based Licenses from the drop-down.
- Click Eval.
- In the table, click Convert to BYOL License for a Cloud Volumes ONTAP system.
- 5. Enter the serial number or upload the license file.
- Click Convert License.

#### Result

BlueXP starts the conversion process. Cloud Volumes ONTAP automatically restarts as part of this process. When it's back up, the licensing information will reflect the new license.

## Change between PAYGO and BYOL

Converting a system from PAYGO by-node licensing to BYOL by-node licensing (and vice versa) isn't supported. If you want to switch between a pay-as-you-go subscription and a BYOL subscription, then you need to deploy a new system and replicate data from the existing system to the new system.

### **Steps**

- 1. Create a new Cloud Volumes ONTAP working environment.
- 2. Set up a one-time data replication between the systems for each volume that you need to replicate.

Learn how to replicate data between systems

3. Terminate the Cloud Volumes ONTAP system that you no longer need by deleting the original working environment.

Learn how to delete a Cloud Volumes ONTAP working environment.

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