# PowerProtect DD Virtual Edition on Amazon Web Services

Installation and Administration Guide

**DDVE 6.0** 



#### Notes, cautions, and warnings

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CAUTION: A CAUTION indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.

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# **Revision history**

#### Table 1. DDVE 6.0 on AWS Installation and Administration Guide revision history

Revision	Date	Description
01	December 2020	Update for DD OS 7.4

# **Preface**

As part of an effort to improve its product lines, we periodically release revisions of its software and hardware. Therefore, some functions described in this document might not be supported by all versions of the software or hardware currently in use. The product release notes provide the most up-to-date information on product features.

# Purpose

This manual describes how to install, configure, and administer DD Virtual Edition (DDVE) systems.

### Audience

This manual is intended for use by both system administrators and general users of DD Virtual Edition.

### Related documentation

The following publications and websites provide additional information:

- DD Operating System Release Notes
- DD Operating System Initial Configuration Guide

This manual explains configuration steps that are common to hardware and virtual DD systems.

• DD Operating System OS Command Reference Guide

This manual explains how to administer DD systems from the command line.

DD Operating System OS Administration Guide

This manual explains how to administer DD systems with the System Manager graphical user interface.

• DD Boost for OpenStorage Administration Guide

This manual explains how to use the DD Boost protocol for data transfer between backup software and DD systems.

• Avamar, DD and NetWorker Compatibility Guide: http://compatibilityguide.emc.com:8080/CompGuideApp/

This website lists Avamar and NetWorker software support for DDVE.

# Where to get help

We support, product, and licensing information can be obtained as follows:

Product information

For documentation, release notes, software updates, or information about products, go to Online Support

at https://support.emc.com.

Technical support

For technical support of this release of DDVE, go to Online Support at https://support.emc.com.

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# **Getting Started**

This chapter includes the following topics:

#### Topics:

- Purpose of this guide
- Audience
- Prerequisites, limitations, and resources
- Architecture overview

# Purpose of this guide

This installation guide is intended as a supplement to the *DD Operating System Administration Guide*, which includes content applicable to all DD systems, including upgrading the DDVE software and using the DD System Manager to monitor DD systems for errors, disk space, and service events.

This guide contains content specific to deploying DD Virtual Edition (DDVE) on Amazon Web Services. Use this guide in conjunction with the DD Operating System Administration Guide and applicable AWS documentation.

See AWS Cloud Formation documentation for more information.

### **Audience**

This document is intended for data protection and storage administrators who want to use Amazon Web Services to back up DD Virtual Edition (DDVE) content. Users should have knowledge of the following technology:

- AWS Management Console
- AWS services, such as AWS IAM, AWS CloudFormation, VPC, AWS security group, and route tables
- Amazon EC2, EBS, and S3 services

# Prerequisites, limitations, and resources

Review the general requirements for deploying DDVE on Amazon Web Services (AWS).

#### Create an AWS account

To deploy DDVE on AWS, you must have an AWS account. To set up an account, go to https://aws.amazon.com/getting-started/.

# Identity and access management

AWS recommends that you create an IAM user or role for authenticating with AWS and never use root credentials to deploy the CloudFormation template. The IAM user must be allowed to perform AWS CloudFormation actions. The EC2 instance must be granted the IAM role to provide permissions to S3 storage.

The following links provide more information about AWS best practices:

- Creating-an-IAM-User-in-Your-AWS-Account
- Using-IAM-Roles
- What-is-AWS-CloudFormation?

### Security and operational best practices

Amazon recommends that you enable AWS CloudTrail logs to enable governance, compliance, and operational and risk auditing of your AWS account. AWS CloudTrail enables you to:

- View the event history of your AWS account activity, including AWS Management Console actions, AWS SDKs, CLI, and other AWS services.
- Identify the initiator of actions, resources involved, and event timing.

This event history helps to simplify security analysis, resource change tracking, and troubleshooting.

The following links provide more information:

- Working-with-CloudTrail
- Turn-on-CloudTrail-across-all-regions-and-support-for-Multiple-Trails

#### AWS service limits and restrictions

The following links provide more information about AWS service limits and restrictions:

- Bucket-Restrictions-and-Limitations
- IAM-and-STS-Limits
- How-do-I-manage-my-AWS-service-limits?
- AWS-Service-Quotas

#### Additional links

The following additional links provide more information about the AWS features that are used with a DDVE deployment:

- Working-with-the-AWS-Management-Console
- AWS-Cloud-Formation
- AWS-Identity-and-Access-Management-(IAM)
- Amazon-Virtual-Private-Cloud
- Amazon-Elastic-Compute-Cloud-Documentation

# **Architecture overview**

DDVE is a virtual deduplication appliance that provides data protection for entry, enterprise, and service provider environments.

The following diagram represents the architecture of the DDVE on AWS solution.

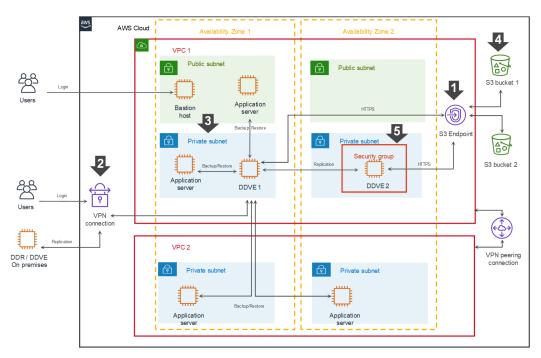


Figure 1. Dell EMC Power Protect DD Virtual Edition (DDVE) on AWS

#### Legend:

- 1. To keep data traffic between DDVE and the S3 bucket within the AWS infrastructure, it is recommended that you create an S3 endpoint. The S3 endpoint keeps DDVE from depending on a NAT Gateway or Public IP address to access the S3 bucket.
- 2. To keep data transfers secure, it is recommended to use a VPN connection to replicate data from an on-premises host to DDVE in the cloud or the opposite way.
- **3.** DDVE is categorized as a backend server. It must be kept in a private subnet with a private address. Never set a public IP address for DDVE.
- **4.** It is recommended that you create the S3 bucket in the region where the DDVE instance is running. A separate bucket per each DDVE is required.
- 5. All DDVE instances must be secured with the appropriate security group entries.

Typically SSH (Port 22) or HTTPS (Port 443) is used for DDVE inbound access.

HTTPS (443) must be allowed for outbound S3 bucket access for DDVE.

TCP ports 2049 and 2051 are used for DD Boost and replication purposes.

See the DDVE documentation for more information and for a complete list of ports.

# Availability Zones

DDVE is deployed within a single Availability Zone (AZ). It can be deployed within additional AZs to provide region redundancy using DD replication capabilities. The solution can also be deployed in alternative regions to provide further redundancy as needed.

# **Introducing DDVE**

This chapter includes the following topics:

#### Topics:

- Introducing DDVE
- DDVE cloud features

# **Introducing DDVE**

DD Virtual Edition (DDVE) is a software-only protection storage appliance: a virtual deduplication appliance that provides data protection for entry, enterprise and service provider environments. Like any DD system, DDVE is always paired with backup software.

DDVE runs the DD Operating System (DD OS), and includes the DD System Manager graphical user interface (GUI) and the DD OS command line interface (CLI) for performing system operations.

DDVE includes the following features:

- High-speed, variable length deduplication for a 10 to 30 times reduction in storage requirements
- Unparalleled data integrity to ensure reliable recovery, and seamless integration with leading backup and archiving applications
- DD Boost to speed backups by 50 percent
- DD Encryption for enhanced security of data
- DD Replicator for network efficient replication that enables faster time-to-DR readiness

DDVE runs on two types of platforms:

- On premises, DDVE supports VMware, Hyper-V, KVM, and VxRail.
- In the cloud, DDVE also runs in the Amazon Web Services (AWS) (cloud and gov cloud), Azure (cloud and gov cloud),
   VMware Cloud (VMC) on AWS cloud platforms, and Google Cloud Platform (GCP).

For more information about the features and capabilities of DD systems (both physical and virtual), see the DD Operating System Administration Guide.

# **DDVE** cloud features

DDVE provides the capabilities of a cloud DD system using the following resource configuration sizes:

#### Table 2. DDVE on AWS resource configuration size

Туре	Resource configuration size	
DDVE on Block storage	up to 16 TB	
DDVE on S3 storage	up to 256 TB	

The following sections list supported DD protocols and features in DDVE.

# Supported DD protocols

- DD Boost over IP
- DD Boost FS

# Supported DD features

- DD Boost managed file replication (MFR)
- Encryption
- MTree replication
- DD System Manager GUI for DDVE management
- DD Active Tier (DD Cloud Tier is not supported)
- Secure multitenancy (SMT) with Network Isolation Support
- DD Boost/BoostFS for Big Data
- Key Management Interoperability Protocol (KMIP)
- More restricted IPtables settings
- AWS for Government Cloud
- NOTE: DDVE supports these replication capabilities:
  - Managed file replication and MTree replication
  - Replication across availability zones and regions
  - Bi-directional replication between on-premises and AWS

The DD OS Administration Guide, DD Boost OST Guide, DD Boost for Partner Integration Administration Guide provide additional information about supported protocols and features.

# **Deploying DDVE**

This chapter includes the following topics:

#### Topics:

- Preparing your environment to deploy DDVE on AWS
- Deploying DDVE in AWS

# Preparing your environment to deploy DDVE on AWS

While DDVE is running in AWS cloud, customers can backup and restore their operational data from an S3 object store.

Observe these requirements:

- Storage tier DDVE on AWS supports Active Tier (Cloud Tier is not supported).
- Storage class AWS provides multiple storage classes (Standard S3, Standard-IA, and so on). Standard S3 offers high durability, availability, and performance for frequently accessed data. DDVE on AWS supports Standard S3.

The following sections provide general guidelines to deploy, configure, and run DDVE on AWS with Active Tier on S3 storage.

The high-level steps are as follows:

1. Configure the network environment.

For secure access to the DDVE, follow the best practices recommended by AWS for your VPC architecture. Configure the following components:

- VPC
- Subnet
- Route tables
- Security groups
- Network access control list
  - NOTE: Make sure to allow DDVE inbound and outbound access to S3. If you are unsure which S3 IP addresses to allow, refer to the route table entry for S3 endpoint.
- VPC Gateway endpoint for connectivity to S3
  - NOTE: DDVE supports standard endpoint format. If you configure firewall rules for endpoints, requests that map to the standard endpoints (\*.s3.</region>.amazonaws.com) must be allowed.

Networking Best Practices for DDVE in the Cloud on page 53 provides more information.

- 2. Create an S3 bucket.
- 3. Configure role-based access to the AWS object store.
- 4. For secure login to DDVE, create an EC2 key access pair. See Amazon EC2 Key Pairs for instructions.

#### Create an S3 bucket

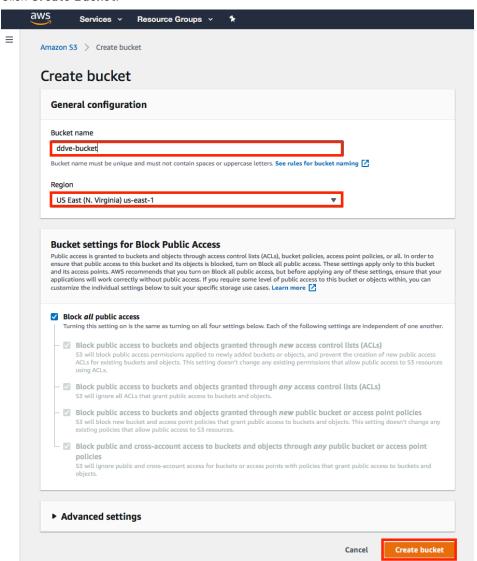
#### About this task

Create a bucket in S3 and make note of the bucket name. The bucket name is used in the IAM policy template to get access to the bucket. It is also used to create the object store profile on the DDVE.

- 1. Log in to the AWS console. Select **Services** > **S3**.
- 2. Click Create bucket and enter the bucket name and region.

- i NOTE: Observe these requirements when creating a bucket for DDVE use:
- To access an S3 bucket, AWS recommends using hosted-style URLs (where domain name includes the bucket name) instead of path-style URLs. For hosted-style URLs to work, do not use dots (".") in the bucket name.
- Create the bucket in the same region as the DDVE instance.
- Provide a bucket name that is no longer than 48 characters.
- Do not enable bucket versioning for the bucket that is associated with the DDVE for these reasons:
  - Versioning adds to storage costs because older versions of the objects are retained despite running the DDVE garbage collection process.
  - o Enabling versioning can also cause potential performance issues.

#### 3. Click Create Bucket.



NOTE: Do not set up life-cycle rules for this bucket. Life-cycle rules could cause loss of critical data from the object store.

# Set up role-based access to the AWS object store

Object store in AWS uses role-based access for S3 access. To access the S3 bucket, create and attach the Identity and Access Management (IAM) role to DDVE.

#### **Prerequisites**

To create the IAM role and the policy that is associated with the role, the AWS user must have the necessary IAM privileges. The following IAM privileges and actions are required to create and attach the IAM role:

```
"iam: AddRoleToInstanceProfile",
                 "iam: AttachRolePolicy",
                "iam:CreateRole",
                "iam:DeleteRole"
                "iam: DeleteRolePolicy",
                "iam:DetachRolePolicy",
                "iam:GetRole",
                "iam:GetRolePolicy",
                "iam:ListRolePolicies",
                "iam:ListRoles",
                "iam:PassRole",
                "iam: RemoveRoleFromInstanceProfile",
                "iam:UpdateRolePolicy",
                "iam:CreateInstanceProfile",
                "iam:PutRolePolicy",
                "iam:DeleteInstanceProfile"
```

#### About this task

When the role is attached to DDVE, the S3 object store credentials are automatically fetched. The AWS infrastructure periodically rotates the access credentials. The DDVE automatically fetches the new credentials before the old credentials expire.

#### Steps

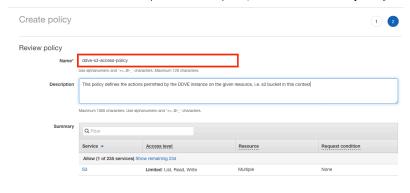
- 1. Create the policy to attach with the IAM role:
  - a. Sign in to the AWS Management Console and open the IAM Service Console.
  - b. In the navigation pane of the IAM console, select Policies > Create policy.
  - c. Do one of the following:
    - Create a policy for AWS Standard Cloud:

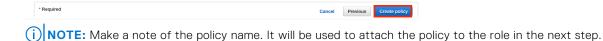
In the **Create policy** web page, select the **JSON** tab. Replace the text under the JSON tab with the following content. Replace my-bucket-name with the name of the bucket that was created previously.

• Create a policy for AWS Gov Cloud:

In the **Create policy** web page, select the **JSON** tab. Replace the text under the JSON tab with the following content. Replace my-bucket-name with the name of the bucket that was created previously. For the resource tag below, use arn:aws-us-gov:s3:::my-bucket-name for AWS Gov clouds.

- d. Verify this information, and then click Review policy.
- e. Provide a name and description for the policy, and click Create policy.





- 2. Create the role for S3 bucket access:
  - a. In the navigation pane of the IAM console, select Roles > Create role.
  - b. On the Create role page:
    - i. For Select type of trusted entity, select AWS service.
    - ii. For Choose the service that will use this role, select EC2, and then click Next Permissions.
  - c. On the Attach permissions policies page, select the policy that you created in the previous step. Select Next Tags to create a tag for the role.

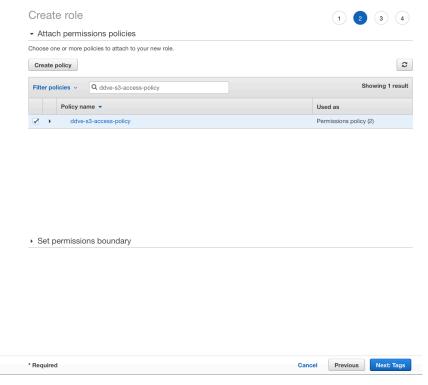


Figure 2. Creating a role

d. Click Next:Review. In the Review section, provide a name for the role and click Create role.

#### **Next steps**

You must attach the role to the DDVE instance before it can be configured. This task can be done during or after deployment.

# **Deploying DDVE in AWS**

You can deploy DDVE on AWS in two ways.

#### About this task

Methods of deployment in AWS:

- Cloud Formation Template (CFT) from AWS marketplace
- DDVE Manual Deployment from AWS console

Dell EMC strongly recommends using the CFT method because it automatically creates and attaches NVRAM and metadata disks in the correct order according to Storage best practices.

# **Deploying DDVE using a Cloud Formation Template**

This method is recommended.

- 1. Go to the appropriate Website:
  - For deployment in AWS standard cloud, use https://aws.amazon.com/marketplace.
  - For deployment in AWS Gov cloud, use https://aws.amazon.com/mp/govcloud/.
- 2. Search for PowerProtect DD Virtual.
- 3. Select Dell EMC PowerProtect DD Virtual Edition (DDVE) version\_number> and click Continue to Subscribe.

i NOTE: Your screen might be different than shown in the following figure.

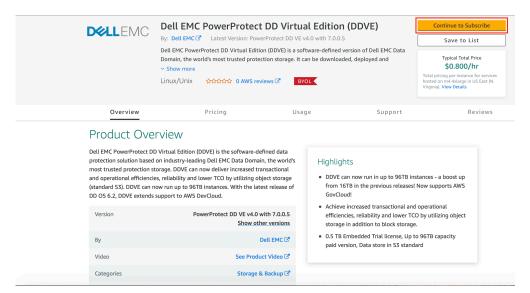


Figure 3. Deploying DDVE using a CFT

4. Click Continue to Configuration.



Figure 4. Subscribing to the software

- 5. Select the following configuration, and then click Continue to Launch.
  - Fulfillment Option—Select Cloud Formation Template.
  - Software Version—Select the correct version.
  - Region—Select where the DDVE is to deploy.

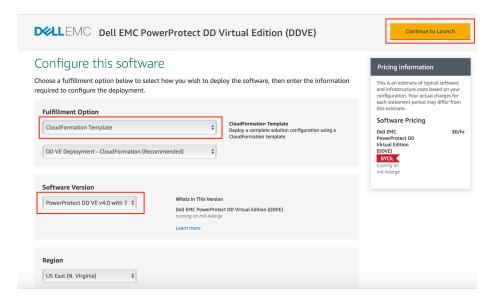
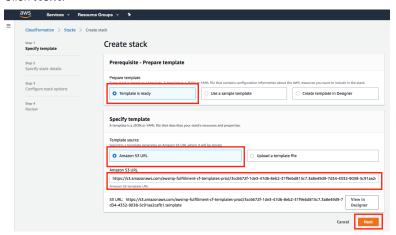


Figure 5. Configuring software

- **6.** Review the configuration details, select **Launch the Cloud Formation template**, and then select **Launch**. The template URL is populated.
- 7. Click Next.

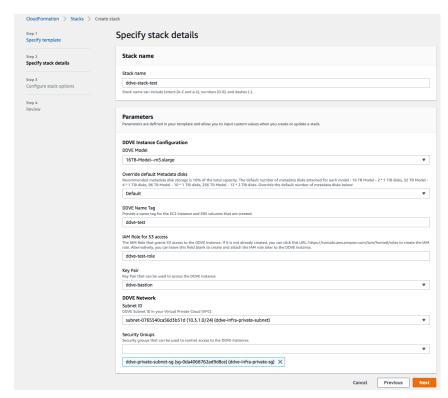


- 8. Enter the following values to create the stack.
  - Stack name
  - DDVE Model—Four options are available:
    - o 16 TB-Model—m5.xlarge
    - o 32 TB-Model—m5.2xlarge
    - o 96 TB-Model—m5.4xlarge
    - o 256 TB-Model—m5.8xlarge

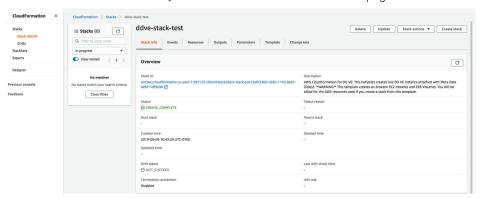
System capacity	Instance type	vCPU	Memory (GiB)	Number of default metadata disks
16 TB	M5.xlarge	4	16	2 x 1 TiB
32 TB	M5.2xlarge	8	32	4 x 1 TiB
96 TB	M5.4xlarge	16	64	10 x 1 TiB
256 TB	M5.8xlarge	32	128	13 x 2 TiB

- Override default metadata disks— You can choose to override the default number of metadata disks by selecting a value from 1-24. The maximum number of metadata disks that can be attached to a DDVE instance in AWS is 24.
  - (i) NOTE: Only the number of metadata disks can be overridden. The size of individual disks cannot be changed.

- DDVE name tag
- IAM Role for S3 access—Type in the correct IAM role to be attached to the DDVE.
- Key pair—Select an existing key pair from the drop-down list.
- Subnet ID
- Security Groups



- i NOTE: The values in this figure are examples only. Replace them with values from your setup.
- 9. Continue stack configuration as needed. Click Next.
- 10. Review the stack configuration and click Create Stack.
- 11. Check the status of the stack you create on the ddve-stack-test page.



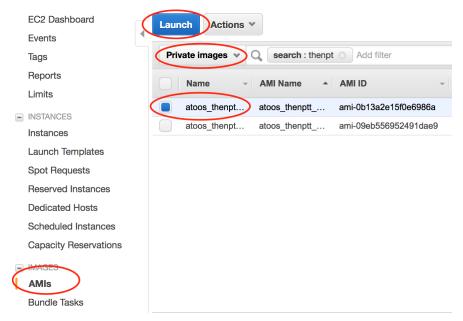
- **12.** When the stack creation is complete, go to the EC2 instances and select the region to deploy the DDVE. Use the DDVE name tag from step 8 and verify that the corresponding EC2 instance is running.
  - NOTE: Avoid disabling or modifying the primary interface settings. The primary interface in cloud deployments has the default gateway setting and is the only interface with which the DDVE can connect to the metadata server. The metadata server is critical for DDVE operation.

# Deploying DDVE manually from the AWS console

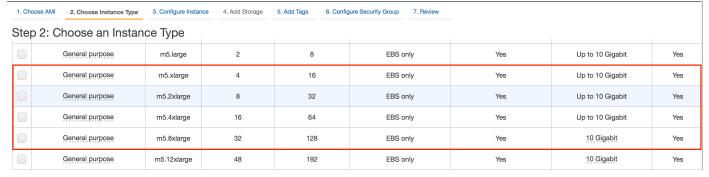
This is an alternate approach for deployment.

#### Steps

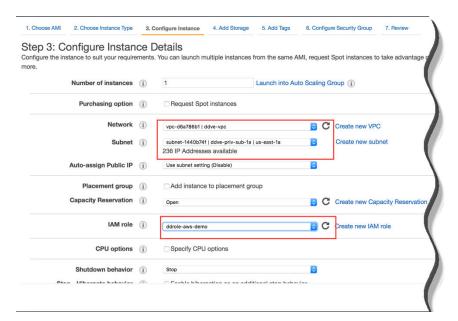
- 1. Login to AWS console and navigate to the EC2 instances link.
- 2. Under the **EC2 instances** tab, select **Private Images**. Select the AMI image from the region in which you wish to deploy DDVE, and then click **Launch**.



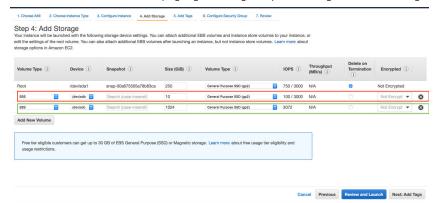
3. Select the instance type from the three supported instance types. Click **Configure Instance Details**. For more details, refer to Storage best practices.



**4.** Select the VPC and subnet in which to deploy DDVE, and select the IAM role that you created in the previous section. Selecting the role during deployment automatically attaches it to this DDVE instance. If you did not previously create the VPC, subnet, or the IAM role, you can create them in this step. When you are done, click **Add Storage**.



- 5. Add the NVRAM disk and metadata disks as shown below. Then click Add Tags.
  - a. Add a 10 GiB NVRAM disk (highlighted in red).
  - b. Add the metadata disks (highlighted in green) according to the following configuration table.



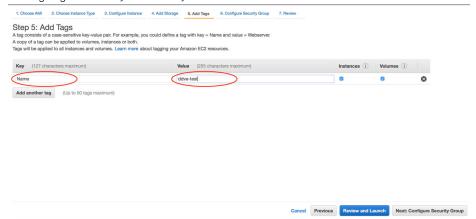
NOTE: It is important to add the NVRAM disk **before** adding the metadata disks. Adding them in a different order causes an unsupported hardware configuration error. Also, ensure that the EBS volume type is GP2 for all disks.

Table 3. Recommended configuration

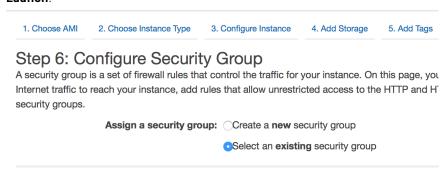
Instance Type	Number of metadata disks	Size of each metadata disk	Object store capacity
M5.xlarge	2	1 TiB	16 TB
M5.2xlarge	4	1 TiB	32 TB
M5.4xlarge	10	1 TiB	96 TB
M5.8xlarge	13	2 TiB	256 TB

- NOTE: By default, the recommended metadata storage is 10% of the total capacity. This recommendation is based on a 10x deduplication ratio and a 2x compression ratio. For workloads with higher deduplication ratios, you can add more metadata disks.
- 6. Add the tags as shown in the following figure, and then click Configure Security Groups.

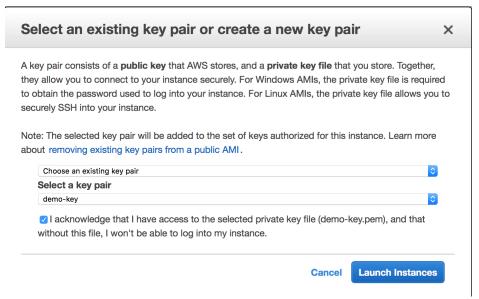
Adding tags enables you to easily search for volumes and instances.

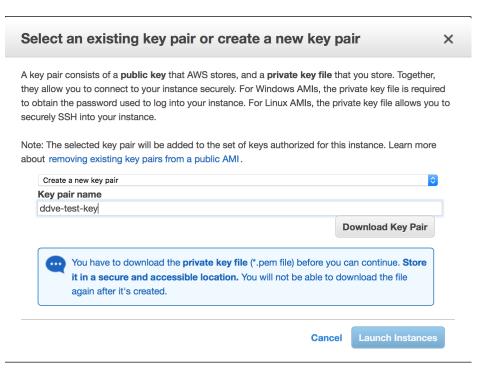


7. Select from an existing security group. If you haven't created one previously, you can create it now. Click **Review and Launch**.

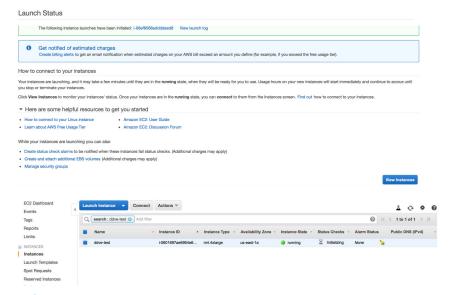


- 8. Review the configuration details, and then click Launch.
- 9. Select a key pair value or create a new key pair value for this instance, and then click Launch Instance.





10. Click View instances to navigate to the EC2 instance tab. Search for the tag you created in step 6.



NOTE: Avoid disabling or modifying the primary interface settings. The primary interface in cloud deployments has the default gateway setting and is the only interface with which the DDVE can connect to the metadata server. The metadata server is critical for DDVE operation.

# Adding more metadata disks for the DDVE instance

If required, more metadata disks can be added to the DDVE instance from the AWS console.

#### **Prerequisites**

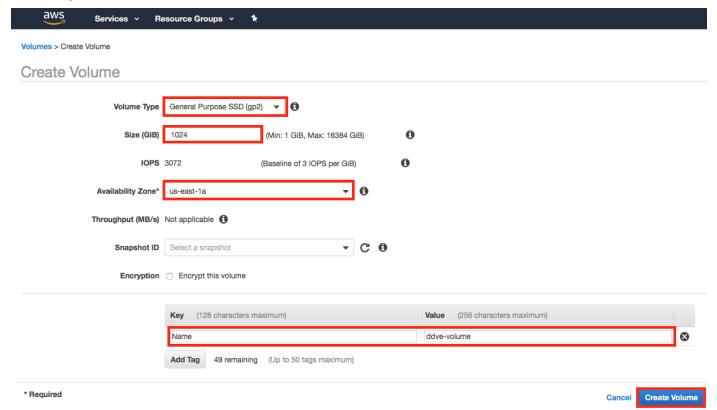
AWS DDVE instances support adding only up to 24 metadata disks. If you reach the limit for adding metadata disks, you can choose to expand the existing metadata disks. See Expand metadata storage on page 26 for details.

#### Steps

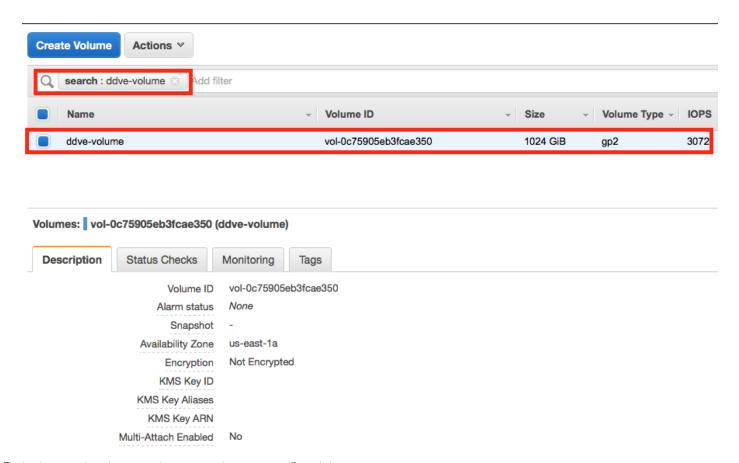
1. Log in to the AWS console.

- 2. Select EC2 dashboard under services. Navigate to the Elastic Block Store pane and click Volumes.
- 3. Provide the following details. Then click Create Volume.
  - Volume Type: Select GP2.
  - Size (GiB): Select 1024 for 16/32/96 TB DDVE instance and 2048 for 256 TB DDVE instance.
  - Availability Zone (AZ): Choose the same AZ in which the DDVE instance is deployed.
  - Name Tag: Add a name tag for the volume to filter it in searches.

Leave Snapshot ID blank.



4. In the **Volumes** tab, enter the name tag (created in previous step) for the volume. Select the volume, click **Actions**, and select **Attach Volume**.



- 5. In the attach volume window, enter the instance ID and device name:
  - Instance: Enter the name/instance ID of the DDVE instance, and select the correct instance from the list of instance options.
  - **Device**: Based on the instance, a default device name is automatically populated in this field. The device names for existing volumes on this instance can be /dev/sd\* or /dev/xvd\*. Ensure that the new volume being attached follows the device naming convention for other metadata disks on this instance.



NOTE: You can check the device names for an instance by selecting an instance in the EC2 dashboard and viewing the block device names for its EBS volumes:

Root device type ebs

Root device /dev/sda1

Block devices /dev/sda1

/dev/sdb

/dev/sdc

/dev/sdd

Elastic Graphics ID -

Elastic Inference accelerator ID -

- 6. To create and attach additional metadata disks to the DDVE instance, repeat steps 2 on page 24 to 5 on page 25.
- 7. To configure the metadata storage using CLI or DDSM, log in to the DDVE instance. Using CLI:
  - Run the disk show hardware command to verify that the new metadata disk or disks are successfully added to the DDVE instance.
  - Run the storage add dev<n> command to add the new metadata disk or disks to the active tier.
  - Run the filesys expand to make the newly added metadata disk or disks available to the filesystem.

Using DDSM:

Alternatively, you can configure the storage using DDSM. Click Hardware > Storage > Configure Storage.

i NOTE: Do not manually configure spindle groups. Spindle group configuration occurs automatically.

# **Expand metadata storage**

Expand metadata storage by increasing the size of existing metadata disks.

#### **Prerequisites**

It is recommended that you expand metadata storage by adding new metadata disks. When the total number of metadata disks reaches its limit, you can expand metadata storage by increasing the size of existing metadata disks.

- Before expanding metadata storage, disable the file system.
- You cannot expand the first metadata disk.
- When expanding the size of an existing metadata disk, it is recommended to expand it in 1 TiB increments.
- Shrinking the metadata disk is not supported.

- 1. Shut down the DDVE instance by using the system <code>system poweroff</code> command from the CLI.
- 2. Log in to the AWS web console.
  - a. From the Volumes tab, select the metadata disk that you want to expand.
    - NOTE: The first metadata disk is not available for expansion.
  - b. Click Actions > Modify Volume.
  - c. Change the size of the metadata disk (for example, from 1024 TiB to 2048 TiB), and click **Modify**.
- 3. To increase the size of other metadata disks, if required, repeat step 2 on page 26.
- 4. From the AWS web console, select the DDVE and start it.
- 5. Disable the file system with the filesys disable command.
- 6. Expand metadata storage with the filesys expand command.
- 7. Enable the file system by using the filesys enable command.
- 8. To confirm the metadata storage expansion, use the filesys show space tier active local-metadata command.

# **Completing Initial DDVE Configuration**

This chapter includes the following topics:

#### Topics:

- Configuring DDVE on AWS
- Recovering DDVE with system headswap
- Recovering the system

# **Configuring DDVE on AWS**

You can use the DDSM interface or the CLI to configure the DDVE on AWS.

#### **Prerequisites**

Ensure that you complete the following:

- Consider metadata storage size and count requirements. See Storage Best Practices.
- Create an S3 bucket in the same region in which DDVE is deployed. Create a bucket in AWS provides instructions.
- Make a note of the bucket name. You will need it to create the object store profile.

#### About this task

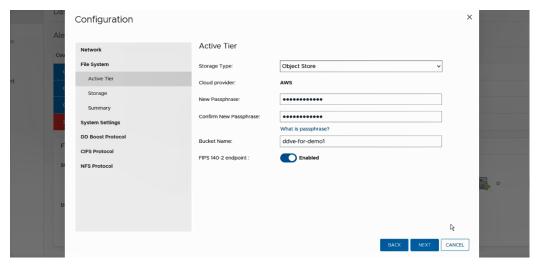
Use one of the following procedures to configure the DDVE on AWS:

- Using the DD System Manager to configure DDVE on page 27
- Using the CLI to configure the DDVE on page 30

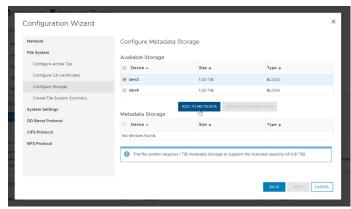
# Using the DD System Manager to configure DDVE

Use this procedure to configure DDVE on AWS using the DD System Manager interface.

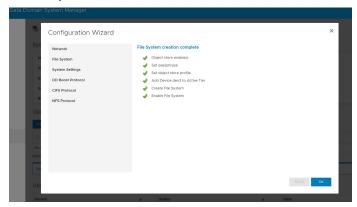
- 1. Log in to DD System Manager using the DDVE IP address. The default login credentials for the DDVE instance are:
  - Username: sysadmin
  - AWS default password: Default sysadmin password is the EC2 instance-id for the DDVE
- 2. Add licenses. Select from the list of options of licenses to apply:
  - Pre-Installed Evaluation License (provides 45 days of limited access to DDVE software for evaluation purposes and may only be used in a non-production environment.)
    - NOTE: If you begin the configuration with the evaluation license, but want to purchase a license later, you need the Node Locking ID for the DDVE instance. Click **Administration** > **Licenses** to view the Node Locking ID.
  - License File
  - License Server (if available)
- 3. Accept the End User License Agreement.
- 4. The configuration wizard is launched automatically. Leave the Network settings as default and click No to proceed.
- 5. Click Yes to set up File System configuration.
- 6. For the **Storage Type**, select **Object Store** and enter the passphrase and the bucket name. For AWS GovCloud, there is an option to select the FIPS endpoint, as shown in the following figure.



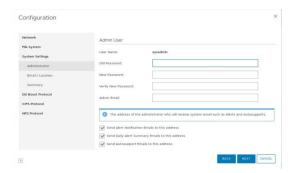
- 7. For Configure CA Certificates, import the Baltimore CyberTrust Root certificate to communicate with AWS S3 Object Store.
- 8. Configure Storage. Under Available Storage, select the disks and click Add to Metadata to move them to the Metadata Storage section. Add the disks to the active tier to add the metadata storage disk to the instance.



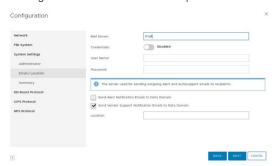
- 9. On the File System Summary Page, select the Summary tab to review all the fields. Select Enable file system after creation and click Submit.
- 10. The file system is created and enabled.



- 11. Click OK to go to the System Settings tab.
- 12. Change the DDVE password.



13. Configure the email server as required.



- 14. Click **Submit** to save the system settings. Close the wizard.
- **15.** DDVE must have accurate and consistent time synchronization for object store communication. DDVE can synchronize time by using Amazon Time Sync Service or by configuring an NTP server.

Option	Description
Method 1 - Using Amazon Time Sync Service (recommended)	By default, DDVE uses Amazon Time Sync Service for time synchronization through a chrony client. DDVE does not require Internet access or configuration of security group rules to use this time synchronization service. Dell EMC recommends using the Amazon Time Sync Service.
Method 2 - Configuring NTP server (not recommended)	To override the default, you can configure an NTP server on the DDVE:  a. Select Administration > Settings. b. Select More Tasks > Configure Time Settings. c. Under More Tasks, select NTP > Manually Configure and add the NTP servers as 0.amazon.pool.ntp.org.  i NOTE: To switch to the default service (Amazon Time Sync), select Administration > Settings > More Tasks > Configure Time Settings > Choose None.

#### Results

The DDVE configuration is complete.

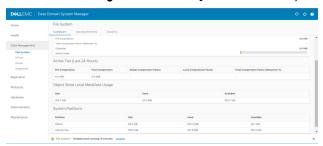
# Updating the configuration

If you modify the object-store profile or make other changes after the initial DDVE configuration, you will need to relaunch the configuration wizard.

- 1. Select Maintenance > System.
- 2. Select Configuration System.



3. Select Data Management > File System to view object store local metadata storage.



# Using the CLI to configure the DDVE

You can log in through SSH to configure the DDVE using the command line interface (CLI). Authentication using EC2 key access pair and username and password are supported.

#### Steps

- 1. Log in to the DDVE instance to configure the system. The default login credentials for the DDVE instance are:
  - Username: sysadmin
  - AWS default password: Default sysadmin password is the EC2 instance-id for the DDVE.

```
# ssh sysadmin@<IP address of DDVE>
EMC DD Virtual Edition
Password:

Welcome to Data Domain OS 7.2.0.5-xyz
sysadmin@myddve0#
```

- 2. During the first login, users are prompted to accept the EULA and change the password.
- 3. The configuration wizard launches.
- 4. Follow the steps in the wizard to add an elicense and to configure object store.

#### (i) NOTE:

- If an elicense file cannot be found in /ddr/var, the license can be pasted directly in the wizard.
- The System Passphrase is required to encrypt the object store credentials. If file system encryption is enabled, the System Passphrase is also used to encrypt keys.
- For AWS, the profile creation requires that you import the Baltimore CyberTrust Root certificate to communicate with the object store.
- For AWS GovCloud, profile creation has an additional option to enable the FIPS endpoint.

```
Do you want to configure system using GUI wizard (yes|no) [no]:
Network Configuration
       Configure Network at this time (yes|no) [no]:
eLicenses Configuration
       Configure eLicenses at this time (yes|no) [no]: yes
Available eLicense Files
        # File Name
        1 elicense.lic
        Do you want to use an existing eLicense file (yes|no)[yes]: yes
       Enter the index of eLicense file [1|cancel]: 1
Pending eLicense Settings
Existing Licenses:
. . . . . .
New Licenses:
         Capacity licenses:
         ## Feature Capacity Type State Expiration Date Note
         1 CAPACITY 87.31 TiB permanent (int) active n/a
** New license(s) will overwrite existing license(s).
         Do you want to save these settings (Save|Cancel|Retry): Save
Successfully updated eLicenses.
Filesystem Configuration
        Configure Filesystem at this time (yes|no) [no]: no
System Configuration
        Configure System at this time (yes|no) [no]: no
CIFS Configuration
        Configure CIFS at this time (yes|no) [no]: no
NFS Configuration
         Configure NFS at this time (yes|no) [no]: no
SMT Configuration
        Configure SMT at this time (yes|no) [no]: no
Storage object-store profile Configuration
         Configure Storage object-store profile at this time (yes|no) [no]: yes
        Do you want to enable object store (yes|no)[yes]: yes
A passphrase needs to be set on the system.
Enter new passphrase:
Re-enter new passphrase:
Passphrases matched.
DD VE is running in AWS. Role-based access will be used to access s3.
         Enter the bucket name: simp-test-bucket
        Object-store endpoint needs the Baltimore CyberTrust Root certificate to be
imported.
         Do you want to import that certificate with below fingerprint?
         D4:DE:20:D0:5E:66:FC:53:FE:1A:50:88:2C:78:DB:28:52:CA:E4:74 (yes|no) [yes]: yes
Pending Object Store Settings
        Bucket name: simp-test-bucket
         Do you want to save these settings (Save|Cancel|Retry): Save
The passphrase is set
```

```
Successfully set object store profile.

Configuration complete.
```

5. Run the following command to view the disks that are attached to the DDVE:

```
# disk show hardware
      Slot
                  Manufacturer/Model
                                         Firmware
                                                  Serial No.
                                                                Capacity
Disk
                                                                            Type
       (pci/idx)
                                        n/a
                                                                            BLOCK
dev1
      -/a
                  Virtual BLOCK Device
                                                   (unknown)
                                                                250.0 GiB
                                                  (unknown) 250.0 GIB
(unknown) 10.0 GiB
      -/b
                  Virtual BLOCK Device n/a
                                                                            BLOCK
dev3
      -/c
                  Virtual BLOCK Device n/a
                                                   (unknown)
                                                                1.0 TiB
                                                                            BLOCK
```

- **6.** Add the metadata storage disks to the active tier:
  - # storage add tier active dev<n>
- 7. Create and enable the file system:
  - # filesys create
    # filesys enable
- **8.** DDVE requires reliable time synchronization for object store communication. DDVE can synchronize time by using Amazon Time Sync Service or by configuring an NTP server.

Option	Description
Method 1 - Using Amazon Time Sync Service (recommended)	By default, DDVE uses Amazon Time Sync Service for time synchronization through a chrony client. DDVE does not require Internet access or configuration of security group rules to use this time synchronization service. Dell EMC recommends using the Amazon Time Sync Service.
Method 2 - Configuring NTP server (not recommended)	To override the default, you can configure an NTP server by running these commands:  • ntp add timeserver 0.amazon.pool.ntp.org  • ntp enable  • ntp sync  i NOTE: ntp disable switches to the default time synchronization option (Amazon Time Sync Service).

#### Results

The DDVE configuration is complete.

# Configure the DDVE manually

This section describes how to manually configure the DDVE, e.g., updating elicense, setting the system passphrase, enabling the object-store feature and setting the object-store profile. These steps can be executed if the configuration wizard was skipped or at any point after the initial configuration.

- Add the elicense by placing the license file under /ddr/var/license. Run the command elicense update license.lic
  - i) NOTE: If the license file cannot be found in /ddr/var its content can be pasted directly on the console.

```
# elicense update license.lic
Existing licenses:
Capacity licenses:
```

```
## Feature Capacity Type
                                            State Expiration Date Note
   CAPACITY 0.45 TiB unexpired evaluation active n/a
1
             -----
Feature licenses:
## Feature
                            Count
                                     Type
                                                          State Expiration
Date Note
   _____
                                     ______
1
   REPLICATION
                                 1
                                     unexpired evaluation active n/
a
   DDBOOST
                                 1
                                     unexpired evaluation
2
                                                         active n/
3
   RETENTION-LOCK-GOVERNANCE
                                     unexpired evaluation active n/
                                1
а
4
   ENCRYPTION
                                1
                                     unexpired evaluation active n/
а
New licenses:
Capacity licenses:
## Feature Capacity Type
                                        State Expiration Date Note
   CAPACITY 87.31 TiB permanent (int) active n/a
Feature licenses:
## Feature
                Count Type
                                       State Expiration Date Note
   DDBOOST 1 permanent (int) active n/a ENCRYPTION 1 permanent (int) active n/a REPLICATION 1 permanent (int) active n/a
1
3
   ** New license(s) will overwrite all existing license(s).
   Do you want to proceed? (yes|no) [yes]: yes
eLicense(s) updated.
```

2. Set the system passphrase by running the command system passphrase set.

```
# system passphrase set
Enter new passphrase:
Re-enter new passphrase:
Passphrases matched.
Passphrase is set.
```

3. Enable object store using the command storage object-store enable.

```
# storage object-store enable
Object-store is enabled.
```

- **4.** 4. Run the following command to create/modify the cloud profile: # storage object- store profile set. Enter the bucket name and import the Baltimore CyberTrust Root certificate to communicate with the object store.
  - (i) NOTE: For AWS GovCloud, profile creation will have an additional option to enable the FIPS endpoint.

```
Do you want to use the FIPs 140-2 endpoint (yes|no) [no]: no
Object-store endpoint needs the Baltimore CyberTrust Root
certificate to be imported.
Do you want to import that certificate with below fingerprint?
D4:DE:20:D0:5E:66:FC:53:FE:1A:50:88:2C:78:DB:28:52:CA:E4:74
(yes|no) [yes]:
Profile is set
```

# Recovering DDVE with system headswap

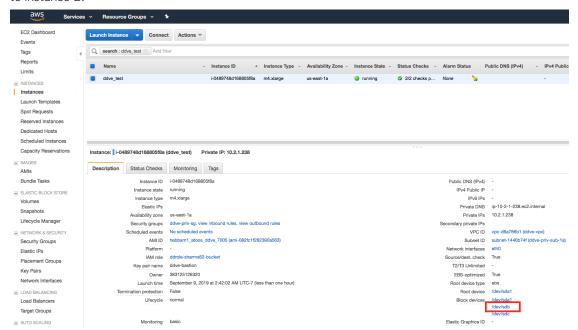
The system headswap command recovers DDVE with head unit failure in AWS.

#### **Prerequisites**

System headswap between the same DDOS versions is recommended. When the same DDOS version not available, system headswap can be done with a higher DDOS version. The version check rules for RPM upgrade also apply.

Ensure that vNVRAM disk and Metadata disks from system A (original system) are available. These disks will be attached to the new instance B. If either vNVRAM disk or any metadata disk is not available, use the system recovery from objectstore command instead.

- 1. Create instance B with Head Unit (root disk only) with the same instance type as instance A.
- 2. Attach the same role to instance B as that of instance A.
- 3. On instance A, make a note of the vNVRAM disk name (usually sdb). Use the same name when attaching the vNVRAM disk to instance B.



- 4. Detach the vNVRAM and metadata disks from the failed head unit.
- 5. Attach the vNVRAM disk to instance B. While attaching the vNVRAM disk, ensure that the name of the disk on instance B is same as that on instance A.



- (i) NOTE: Ensure that the vNVRAM disk is attached before attaching the metadata disks.
- 6. Attach the metadata disks to instance B.
- 7. Set the system passphrase.
  - i NOTE: Set the passphrase to match system A, otherwise, the headswap fails.

```
# system passphrase set
Enter new passphrase:
Re-enter new passphrase:
Passphrases matched.
The passphrase is set.
```

- **8.** Before executing the headswap command, ensure that system A is powered off. This step is required to detach the bucket from system A and make it available to be attached to system B.
- 9. Execute system headswap.
  - i NOTE: The system will reboot during the headswap process.

```
# system headswap
This command returns the system back to its prior operational
conditions. The system will be rebooted before
resuming normal operations.
    If system passphrase was set on the old head, you will
    need to do one of the following after headswap completes:
     - unlock the filesystem
                                     if you have encrypted data, or
                                  if you don't have encrypted data
     - set the system passphrase
Are you sure? (yes|no) [no]: yes
ok, proceeding.
Please enter sysadmin password to confirm 'system headswap':
Restoring the system configuration, do not power off / interrupt
process ..
Broadcast message from root (Mon Apr 30 13:44:10 2018):
The system is going down for reboot NOW!
```

10. Verify the file system status after the headswap process completes.

```
# filesys status
The filesystem is enabled and running.
```

### (i) NOTE:

- You may need to re-activate the license on the new instance if an unserved-mode license is used.
- The CLI elicense check-out and elicense check-in are used to obtain licenses from the DDVE.
  - o If you experience an invalid key magic issue after a headswap, set the passphrase on the new DDVE system, and then perform the headswap ddboost user revoke token-access sysadmin command.
  - If the DDVE was attached to an AV-server and you experienced a certificate authentication issue after a
    headswap, detach and re-attach the DD from the AV-server. The AV-server regenerates the certificate and
    imports it to DD.

# Recovering the system

The system recovery command recovers the DDVE system with head unit, vNVRAM disk, and metadata disk after a failure of one or more of these components.

#### About this task

If both vNVRAM disk and Metadata disks are available, then the system headswap command should be used instead.

#### **Steps**

- 1. Create instance B with the same configuration as instance A, including instance type, metadata disk capacity, and role.
- 2. Enable object-store:

```
# storage object-store enable
Object-store is enabled.
```

- 3. Set object-store profile:
  - a. Set the passphrase to match system A, otherwise, the recovery fails to proceed.
  - **b.** Set the same s3 bucket name from system A:

- # storage object-store profile set
- c. Follow the rest of the CLI prompts.
- 4. Add EBS volumes to the active tier:
  - (i) NOTE: Add EBS volumes to match or exceed the capacity of system A .

```
# storage add dev3
Checking storage requirements...done
Adding dev3 to the active tier...done
Updating system information...done
dev3 successfully added to the active tier.
```

**5.** Run the system recovery precheck:

```
# system recovery precheck from object-store
Recovery precheck passed. Use start command to start the recovery.
```

6. Run the recovery:

```
# system recovery start from object-store
System recovery has started. Use status command to check the status.
```

7. Check the recovery status:

```
# system recovery status
System recovery is running: stage 2 of 6 (attaching object-store)
```

- i NOTE: The system reboots during the recovery process.
- 8. Check that the filesys status after the recovery process completes:

# filesys status
The filesystem is enabled and running.

# **Administering DDVE**

This chapter includes the following topics:

#### Topics:

- Upgrade from M4 to M5 instance type
- Upgrading M5 instance type
- Extensions to DDOS for DDVE
- DDVE-only commands
- Modified DD OS commands
- Unsupported DD OS commands
- Troubleshooting performance issues

# Upgrade from M4 to M5 instance type

To benefit from performance improvements, you can upgrade an M4 instance type to the next generation M5 instance type.

#### **Prerequisites**

Ensure that:

- DDOS version is 7.2 or later. If the DDOS version is older, upgrade the DDOS version. Run the system show version command to check the DDOS version on the DDVE.
- The DDOS upgrade is successful.

#### **Steps**

- 1. To ensure a clean file system shutdown, run the system poweroff command.
- 2. From the AWS management console, change the instance type to one with the same or higher capacity.

Capacity (TB)	vCPU #, memory (GiB)	M4 instance type	M5 instance type
16	4, 16	m4.xlarge	m5.xlarge
32	8, 32	m4.2xlarge	m5.2xlarge
96	16, 64	m4.4xlarge	m5.4xlarge

NOTE: Alternatively, you can change the instance type with this command:

```
aws ec2 modify-instance-attribute --instance-id < instance-id> --instance-type "{\"Value\": \"<M5 instance type>\"}"
```

For example:

**3.** Enable the ena attribute by using this AWS command:

```
aws ec2 modify-instance-attribute --instance-id <instance id> --ena-support
```

4. To verify that ena support is enabled for the instance, run this AWS command:

```
aws ec2 describe-instances --instance-ids <instance_id> --query
"Reservations[].Instances[].EnaSupport"
```

5. From the AWS management console, power on the DDVE.

- 6. On the DDVE, verify that the system is up, and ensure that the file system status is enabled and running.
- 7. To confirm that the instance type is an M5 instance type, run the system vresource show current command:

# **Upgrading M5 instance type**

You can upgrade the current M5 instance type to higher capacity supported configuration.

#### About this task

For details about supported configurations, see Storage size specifications on page 49.

(i) NOTE: Instance upgrade is not supported for DDVE with block storage as it supports a maximum capacity of 16 TB.

#### Steps

- Power off the system using the system poweroff command.
   From the AWS console, check that the DDVE instance is in the stopped state.
- 2. Select Action > Instance Settings > Change Instance Type.
- 3. Select the new instance type and click Apply.
- 4. Power on the DDVE from the AWS console.
- 5. Once the DDVE is powered on, run the command system vresource show to verify the new instance configuration.

## Extensions to DDOS for DDVE

Several DDOS commands are supported on the DDVE platform only. This section describes these commands.

### perf

```
Collect and show DDVE performance statistics.
perf disable trace event-regexp [module {default | ddfs}]
Disable tracing of specified events.
perf enable trace event-regexp [module {default | ddfs}]
Enable tracing of the specified events.
perf start histogram [module {default | ddfs}
Start collecting performance histograms. This command may reduce performance marginally.
perf start stats
Start printing statistics. This command may reduce performance marginally.
perf start trace [allow-wrap] [module {default | ddfs}]
Start tracing events. This command may reduce performance marginally.
perf status trace event-regexp [module {default | ddfs}]
Shows whether tracing is enabled or disabled for the specified events.
perf stop histogram histogram-filename [module {default | ddfs}
Stop collecting histograms and write the collected histograms to the specified file.
perf stop stats
Stop printing statistics.
perf stop trace trace-filename [module {default | ddfs}]
Stop tracing events and write the collected traces to the specified file.
```

## **System vresource**

Display details about the virtual CPU and memory resources on the DDVE. system vresource show [current  $\mid$  requirements]

# system vresource show Active Tier Cloud Capacity (TB) Capacity	Tier	Instance Type
16 32 96 256	n/a n/a n/a n/a	<pre>m5.xlarge m5.2xlarge m5.4xlarge m5.8xlarge</pre>
** The maximum allowed s	ystem capacity for active tier on block	storage is 16 TB

# **DDVE-only commands**

The following commands only work on DDVE and are not supported on physical DD systems.

Table 4. DDVE-only commands

Command	Description
elicense checkout feature-license <feature-name-list></feature-name-list>	Allows user to check out the features of licenses for License Server installation
elicense checkout capacity-license <feature-name> value <n> {TB GB}</n></feature-name>	Allows user to check out the capacity of licenses Server installation. Here is sample output:  sysadmin@localhost# elic checkout capacity- license capacity value 10 TB Checking out CAPACITY license will1 also checkout available feature licenses. An addition 10 TB CAPACITY license will be checked out. 10 TB additional CAPACITY license has been checked out. License(s) have been checked out for REPLICATION, DDBOOST, ENCRYPTION. Total 10 TB CAPACITY license is now available on this system.
elicense checkin { <feature-name-list>  all}</feature-name-list>	Allows user to check in features for licenses for License Server installation
elicense license-server set server { <ipaddr>   <hostname>} port <port-number></port-number></hostname></ipaddr>	
elicense license-server reset	Returns DDVE to factory license settings.
elicense license-server show	
filesys show space tier active local-metadata	Displays the usage for the metadata storage.  (i) NOTE: Some portion of the disk space is reserved for internal metadata, such as index. The amount of reserved space is based on the maximum capacity of the platform and not on licensed capacity.
net hosts add	Two DDVEs in different regions cannot resolve each other's hostname. Run this command to add a host list entry.
storage object-store enable	Enables the object-store feature for DDVE.
storage object-store disable	Disables the object-store feature for DDVE.
storage object-store profile set	Configures the object-store access profile.
storage object-store profile show	Displays the object-store access profile.

Table 4. DDVE-only commands (continued)

Command	Description
storage object-store profile status	This CLI lists the object-store profile information set on the DDVE.
system vresource show [requirements]	Displays the file system capacity, the number of virtual CPUs, and the amount of memory assigned to the virtual machine running the DDVE instance. The requirements option displays the physical storage requirements for DDVE.

# **Modified DD OS commands**

The behavior of the following commands is modified on the DDVE platform:

Table 5. Modified DD OS commands

Command	Changes
alert	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
compression	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
config setup show	Arguments for configuring features not available in DDVE have been removed.
ddboost clients show active	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
ddboost file-replication show active	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
ddboost file-replication show detailed-file-history	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
ddboost file-replication show file-history	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
ddboost option reset	The fc parameter is not supported.
ddboost option show	The fc parameter is not supported.
ddboost storage-unit create	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
ddboost storage-unit modify	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
ddboost storage-unit show	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
ddboost streams show active	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
ddboost streams show history	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
disk rescan	The <enlcosure-id>. <disk-id> parameter is not supported.</disk-id></enlcosure-id>
disk show state	DDVE system disks show the System Dev state.
disk show stats	The DDVE format for this command is disk show stats $[\text{dev } < n >]$
disk status	The Spare row has been removed from the output. The System row has been added.
enclosure show all	The [ <enclosure>] parameter is not supported.</enclosure>
enclosure show controllers	The [ <enclosure>] parameter is not supported.</enclosure>
enclosure show cpus	The [ <enclosure>] parameter is not supported.</enclosure>
enclosure show io-cards	The [ <enclosure>] parameter is not supported.</enclosure>

Table 5. Modified DD OS commands (continued)

Command	Changes
enclosure show memory	The [ <enclosure>] parameter is not supported.</enclosure>
filesys encryption keyes delete	The [tier {active   archive}   archive-unit <unit-name>] parameter is not supported.</unit-name>
filesys encryption keys show	The [tier {active   archive}   archive-unit <unit-name>] parameter is not supported.</unit-name>
filesys fastcopy	The [retention-lock] parameter is supported with DDVE.  Retention lock compliance mode is not supported for any DDVE.
filesys show compression	The [tier {active   archive}   archive-unit <unit-name>] parameter is not supported.</unit-name>
filesys show space	The [tier {active   archive}   archive-unit <unit-name>   arcjove-unit {all   <unit- name&gt;] parameter is not supported.</unit- </unit-name>
mtree create	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
mtree list	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
mtree show compression	The tenant-unit and tenant-unit parameters are not supported.
mtree show performance	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
net create interface	The <virtual-ifname> parameter is not supported.</virtual-ifname>
net destroy	The <virtual-ifname> parameter is not supported.</virtual-ifname>
perf	The vtl option is not supported on any perf command.
storage add	The enclosure and disk parameters are not supported.
storage remove	The enclosure and disk parameters are not supported.
storage show	The archive option is not supported.
system show stats	NVRAM statistics are not reported, because DDVE systems do not have physical NVRAM.
quota	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.
replication	MTree replication is the only type of replication supported.
snapshot	The tenant-unit parameter is not supported.

# **Unsupported DD OS commands**

The following DD OS commands and command options are not supported on the DDVE platform.

Table 6. Unsupported commands and command options

Unsupported command or command option	Notes
adminaccess https generate certificate	Deprecated. Use adminaccess certificate generate instead.
alerts add	Deprecated. Use alerts notify-list addinstead.
alerts del	Deprecated. Use alerts notify-list delinstead.

Table 6. Unsupported commands and command options (continued)

Unsupported command or command option	Notes
alerts notify-list option set group-name tenant-alert-summary {enabled   disabled}	
alerts notify-list option reset group-name tenant-alert-summary	
alerts reset	Deprecated. Use alerts notify-list reset instead.
alerts show alerts-list	Deprecated. Use alerts notify-list show instead.
alerts test	Deprecated. Use alerts notify-list test instead.
archive	
authorization	
autosupport display	Deprecated. Use autosupport show report instead.
autosupport reset support-list	Deprecated. Use autosupport reset { all   alertsummary   asup-detailed   support-notify } instead.
autosupport show support-list	Deprecated. Use autosupport show { all   asupdetailed   alert-summary   support-notify } instead.
cifs set authentication nt4	Deprecated. Use cifs set authentication active-directory instead.
cluster	
ddboost fc	
ddboost option reset fc	
ddboost option set distributed-segment- processing disabled	Turning off distributed segment processing (DSP) with this DDBoost command is not supported for DDVE on DD OS 6.1.2.x.
ddboost option show	Turning off DSP with this DDBoost command is not supported for DDVE on DD OS 6.1.2.x.
ddboost option show fc	
ddboost show image-duplication	Deprecated. Use ddboost file-replication show instead.
ddboost user option set <i>user</i> default-tenant-unit tenant-unit	
ddboost user option reset <i>user</i> [default-tenant-unit]	
disk add dev <i>disk-id</i> [spindle-group 1-16]	Deprecated. Use storage add instead.
disk add enclosure enclosure-id	Deprecated. Use storage add instead.
disk benchmark start	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
disk benchmark show	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
disk benchmark stop	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
disk benchmark watch	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
disk expand	Deprecated. Use storage add instead.
disk failenclosure-id.disk-id	
disk multipath	

Table 6. Unsupported commands and command options (continued)

Unsupported command or command option	Notes
disk port	
disk rescan [enclosure-id.disk-id]	
disk show detailed-raid-info	Deprecated. Use disk show state and storage show instead.
disk show failure-history	
disk show performance	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
disk show raid-info	Deprecated. Use disk show state and storage show instead.
disk show reliability-data	
disk disk show stats	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
disk unfail	
enclosure beacon	
enclosure show all [enclosure]	This command is supported, but not with the <i>enclosure</i> argument.
enclosure show chassis	
enclosure show controllers enclosure	This command is supported, but not with the <i>enclosure</i> argument.
enclosure show cpus [enclosure]	This command is supported, but not with the <i>enclosure</i> argument.
enclosure show fans	
enclosure show io-cards [enclosure]	This command is supported, but not with the <i>enclosure</i> argument.
enclosure show memory [enclosure]	This command is supported, but not with the <i>enclosure</i> argument.
enclosure show nvram	
enclosure show powersupply	
enclosure show summary	
enclosure show temperature-sensors	
enclosure show topology	
enclosure test topology	
filesys archive	
filesys clean update-stats	Deprecated. Use filesys show space instead.
filesys encryption	
filesys encryption passphrase change	Deprecated. Use system passphrase change instead.
filesys retention-lock	Deprecated. Use mtree retention-lock instead.
filesys show compression tier	The tier option is not supported.
filesys show history	Deprecated. Use filesys show compression daily instead.
ha create	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
ha destroy	Not supported by DDVE in cloud

Table 6. Unsupported commands and command options (continued)

Unsupported command or command option	Notes
ha status	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
ha failover	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
ha online	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
ha offline	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
license	The license commands are not supported because DDVE uses new elicense commands.
mtree show compression mtree_path tier	
net aggregate	
net config <i>ifname</i> type cluster	
net create interface virtual-ifname	
net create interface physical-ifname vlan vlan-id	
net create virtual veth <i>id</i>	
net destroy virtual-ifname	
net destroy vlan-ifname	
net failover	
net modify <i>virtual-ifname</i> bonding {aggregate   failover	
net set portnaming	
ndmp	
ndmpd	
nfs option disable report-replica-as- writable	Deprecated. Use filesys option disable report- replica-as-writable instead.
nfs option enable report-replica-as-writable	Deprecated. Use filesys option enable report- replica-as-writable instead.
nfs option reset report-replica-as-writable	Deprecated. Use filesys option reset report- replica-as-writable instead.
nfs option show report-replica-as-writable	Deprecated. Use filesys option show report-replica-as-writable instead.
perf * module vtl	
san	
shelf migration start	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
shelf migration status	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
shelf migration suspend	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
shelf migration resume	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
shelf migration precheck	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
shelf migration option	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
shelf migration finalize	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
shelf migration show history	Not supported by DDVE in cloud

Table 6. Unsupported commands and command options (continued)

Unsupported command or command option	Notes
<pre>snapshot add schedule name [days days] time time [,time] [retention period]</pre>	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule create instead.
<pre>snapshot add schedule name [days days] time time every mins [retention period]</pre>	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule create instead.
<pre>snapshot add schedule name [days days] time time-time [every hrs   mins] [retention period]</pre>	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule create instead.
snapshot del schedule {name   all}	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule destroy instead.
<pre>snapshot modify schedule name {[days days]   time time [,time]   [retention period]}</pre>	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule modify instead.
<pre>snapshot modify schedule name {[days days]   time time every {mins   none}   [retention period]}</pre>	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule modify instead.
<pre>snapshot modify schedule name {[days days]   time time-time [every {hrs   mins   none}]   [retention period]}</pre>	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule modify instead.
snapshot reset schedule	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule reset instead.
snapshot show schedule	Deprecated. Use snapshot schedule show instead.
storage add enclosure enclosure-id	
storage add disk enclosure-id.disk-id	
storage remove enclosure enclosure-id	
storage remove disk enclosure_id.disk-id	
system firmware	
system option set console	
system retention-lock	
system sanitize	
system show anaconda	
system show controller-inventory	
system show nvram	
system show nvram-detailed	
system show oemid	
system upgrade continue	
user	
user change priv	Deprecated, with no replacement.
vserver config set host	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
vserver config reset	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
vserver config show	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
vserver config perf-stats start	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
vserver config perf-stats stop	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
vserver config perf-stats status	Not supported by DDVE in cloud
vtl lunmask	Deprecated. Use vtl group instead.

Table 6. Unsupported commands and command options (continued)

Unsupported command or command option	Notes
vtl lunmask add	Deprecated. Use vtl group add instead.
vtl lunmask del	Deprecated.
vtl lunmask show	Deprecated. Use vtl group show instead.

# **Troubleshooting performance issues**

You can check DDVE performance statistics as follows:

• With native tools in AWS

You can also use the following to monitor benchmark performance:

• perf

Extensions to DDOS for DDVE on page 39 provides more information about commands.

## **CPU Performance**

The two key statistics for CPU performance are:

- CPU usage—CPU usage as a percentage during the interval
- CPU ready—The percentage of time that the virtual machine was ready, but could not get scheduled to run on the physical CPU. This counter might not be displayed by default.

If these counters are high, there may be a performance problem on the hypervisor host.

## Memory Performance

• Memory swapping—The key statistic for memory performance, which is the current amount of guest physical memory swapped out to the virtual machine's swap file.

#### Virtual Disk Performance

The key statistics for virtual disk performance are:

- I/O throughput—A decrease in these values indicates a performance issue.
- I/O latency—An increase in read and write latency values indicates a performance problem.

Failed commands—An increase in the average number of outstanding read and write requests indicates a performance problem.

# Best Practices for Working with DDVE in the Cloud

This chapter includes the following topics:

#### **Topics:**

- ASUP configuration
- AWS licensing
- Storage best practices
- Security best practices

# **ASUP** configuration

We recommend enabling AutoSupport (ASUP) in DDVE. Although Experience, Secure Remote Services (ESRS) is not yet supported in AWS, you can use the email transfer server to transfer ASUP files.

#### About this task

Set up the following items to ensure that ASUPs and alert emails from the DDVE instance are sent to Dell EMC.

- 1. Administrator: Specify a password and email address for the administrator.
- 2. Email/location: Specify the mail sever to use to send outgoing alert and ASUPs to recipients. Recipients are subscribers to groups. A default group is created that contains the email addresses of the administrator and a Dell EMC email address, autosupportalert@autosupport.datadomain.com. The location field is for information only.
- **3.** Review the summary carefully. The default email address for alerts and autosupport emails is autosupportalert@autosupport.datadomain.com. A detailed autosupport and an alert summary are scheduled to run daily at 6:00 AM system time.

## **AWS licensing**

The DDVE license is node locked which means the same license cannot be used on multiple DDVE instances. To facilitate DDVE license management, we recommend using served-mode licenses if multiple DDVEs are to be deployed.

#### (i) NOTE:

- The DDVE license might become invalid after removing the first NIC ethV0.
- In the case of a head swap, the license will continue to work on new DDVE instance if served-mode licenses are used, otherwise you need to re-activate the license.
- You may create a new DDVE instance from an AWS snapshot. The license is automatically checked out from the license server on the new instance if served-mode licenses are used, as long as the license server has sufficient licenses for this new instance to check out. Otherwise you need to re-activate the license.

# Storage best practices

## Use the appropriate storage type

Use GP2 EBS volumes for the root disk, NVRAM disk, and metadata disks.

## Object storage specifications

The following table lists the supported instance types and their storage configuration for object storage.

Metadata disk storage is recommended to be 10% of the total capacity. Each metadata disk is recommended to be 1 TiB.

Table 7. Storage size specifications

DDVE configuration	Instance type	Root disk (GP2)	NVRAM disk (GP2)	Metadata disk (GP2)	Metadata disks required
16 TB	M5.xlarge	250 GiB	10 GiB	1024 GiB	1-2
32 TB	M5.2xlarge	250 GiB	10 GiB	1024 GiB	1-4
96 TB	M5.4xlarge	250 GiB	10 GiB	1024 GiB	1-10
256 TB	M5.8xlarge	250 GiB	10 GiB	2048 GiB	1-13

## (i) NOTE:

- If the incorrect instance type is used, the system displays an alert for an unsupported virtual hardware configuration.
- The metadata requirements that are listed above are based on a 10x deduplication ratio and a 2x compression ratio. For workloads with a higher deduplication ratio, more metadata storage is required.
- The maximum number of metadata disks that you can add to a DDVE instance in AWS is 24.

## Block storage specifications

The following table lists the instance types and storage types that are required for block storage.

#### Table 8. Storage configuration types for DDVE in AWS (block store)

DDVE configuration	Instance type	Root disk type/size	NVRAM disk type/ size	Data disk type/size
16 TB	M5.xlarge	GP2/250 GB	GP2/10 GB	GP2/1024 GB

### (i) NOTE:

- DDVE with block storage supports a maximum capacity of 16 TB. The recommended size of each data disk is one TiB.
- If the incorrect instance type is used, the system displays an alert for an incorrect virtual hardware configuration.

#### Table 9. Supported stream and Mtree counts

	Instance	vCPU	Memory (GiB)	Max Mtree	Stream counts				
capacity	type				Read	Write	Replicatio n in	Replicatio n out	Combined
16 TB	M5.xlarge	4	16	6	30	45	45	42	60
32 TB	M5.2xlarge	8	32	14	50	90	90	82	90
96 TB	M5.4xlarge	16	64	32	50	180	180	100	180
256 TB	M5.8xlarge	32	128	128	110	540	540	220	540

## Metadata disk storage expansion notes

Dell EMC recommends to use 10% of the system capacity as the metadata storage, where each metadata disk size is one TiB. This metadata storage recommendation is based on 10X deduplication ratio and 2X compression. For workloads with a higher deduplication ratio, more metadata storage may be required. If metadata storage usage exceeds 80%, an alert is generated. Add a metadata disk to the DDVE immediately to avoid running out of space.

The DD OS Administration Guide provides a procedure for expanding storage. Dell EMC recommends that you always use 1 TiB metadata disks.

## Spindle group

You are not required to specify a spindle group when adding metadata disks. The spindle group assignment is balanced automatically when adding storage. Do not set or change the spindle group settings manually. Run the storage show all command to verify that each data volume is assigned to a different spindle group.

## Object storage bucket configuration notes

- The bucket that is provided during file system creation must be empty, otherwise file system creation fails.
- When the file system is destroyed, the associated bucket and the objects it contains are not automatically deleted or removed. The bucket must be intentionally deleted to avoid incurring the cost for the content stored in the bucket.
- Do not enable S3 versioning on the bucket. Doing so incurs additional cost because older versions of the objects are retained, although they are removed by the GC cycles.
- Do not configure any life-cycle policy on the bucket as it might result in loss of critical data.

## Converting from evaluation to production

Rather than convert an evaluation version of DDVE to a production version, Dell EMC recommends a fresh deployment. If you decide to convert from an evaluation version to production version, Dell EMC recommends that you:

- Destroy the existing file system
- Delete any small data disk (not the root or NVRAM disks)
- Configure new disks according to the recommendations in this guide

## Security best practices

#### Avoid Public IP address

To prevent brute force attacks on the DDVE, it must not be configured with a public IP address.

#### Secure access

The following table illustrates the different authentication methods that are supported by DDVE.

#### Table 10. Access Types and Authentication

Access Type	Authentication Methods
GUI	username/password X509 certificates
SSH	username/password
	SSH key pair
REST API	username/password X509 certificates

For better security, we recommend you disable the username/password based user authentication. If the username/password based authentication is desired, we recommend that you configure a stronger password.

NOTE: Password based login should not be disabled if you want to configure Avamar Virtual Edition, NetWorker, or other backup software to connect to DDVE in AWS, because password authentication is used for communication between them.

Because AWS is a public cloud, pay attention to the security in your deployment. We suggest these best practices:

- Use public key based authentication for SSH access
- Use certificate based authentication for DDSM access
- Do not configure public IP for DDVE in AWS, if possible
- Use external KMIP server to store encryption keys
- Enable encryption for DDFS and replication

After a DDVE deployment from the market place, DDVE SSH login with a username and password is enabled. The default password for the sysadmin user is the EC2 instance ID of the DDVE instance. At the first login, a password change is required. The EC2 key access pair associated with the sysadmin user is an optional alternative to username and password authentication.

#### IP Tables feature

After protecting the DDVE using secure setup, within the DDVE you can filter the network traffic that enters by using the iptables feature. For more configuration information, see the DD OS 6.2 Command Reference Guide's Net Filter section.

## Security rules settings

Since the DDVE in AWS is always running in a VPC, the VPC should be configured so that only required and trusted clients have access to the DD system. The following tables show the TCP and UDP ports that are used by the DD system for inbound and outbound traffic, and which service makes use of them. Consider the following information when configuring VPC firewall rules. For additional information, see Amazon EC2 Security Groups for Linux Instances.

#### Inbound rules

The following are the inbound ports used by DDVE.

Table 11. Inbound ports used by DDVE

Port	Service	Description
TCP 22	SSH	Used for SSH (CLI) access and for configuring DDVE.
TCP 443	HTTPS	Used for DDSM (GUI) access and for configuring DDVE.
TCP 2049	DD Boost/NFS	Main port used by NFS - can be modified using the nfs set server-port command which requires SE mode.
TCP 2051	Replication/DD Boost/ Optimized Duplication	Used only if replication is configured (run replication show config command on DD system to determine). This port can be modified using replication modify.
TCP 3009	SMS (system management)	Used for managing a system remotely using DDSM. This port cannot be modified. This port will also need to be opened if you plan to configure replication from within the DDSM, since the replication partner needs to be added to the DDSM.

Depending on the protocol that is used to backup data to DDVE, additional ports are enabled with inbound firewall rules.

#### Outbound rules

The following are the outbound ports that are used by DDVE.

Table 12. Outboard ports used by DDVE

Port	Service	Description
UDP 123	NTP	Used by the DD system to synchronize to a time server.
TCP 443	HTTPS	Used for DDVE to be able to communicate with outside services.
TCP 2049	DD Boost/NFS	Main port used by NFS - can be modified using the nfs set server-port command which requires SE mode.
TCP 2051	Replication/DD Boost/ Optimized Duplication	Used only if replication is configured (run replication show config on DD system to determine). This port can be modified using replication modify.

#### Table 12. Outboard ports used by DDVE (continued)

TCP 3009		Used for managing a system remotely using DDSM. This port cannot be modified. This port will also need to be opened if you plan to configure replication from within the DDSM, as the replication partner needs to be added to the DDSM.
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Depending on the other applications/services that are being used, additional ports shall be enabled for outbound firewall rules.

# Networking Best Practices for DDVE in the Cloud

This chapter includes the following topics:

#### **Topics:**

- Network setup in AWS
- Network infrastructure setup

# **Network setup in AWS**

#### **VPC** Architecture

We recommend you use public or private subnet architecture to deploy the DDVE in private subnet. It will secure the DDVEs (VMs) with the appropriate use of various VPC components such as route tables, access control lists, security groups, etc.

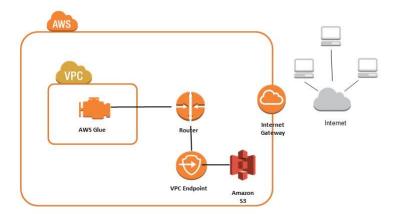
#### Public IP address

Due to security considerations and in order to protect the DDVE from potential attacks over open internet, the DDVE MUST NOT be exposed using Public IP directly over internet. It is highly recommended that you use VPN connections between different geographical regions (VPCs). For example, the replication between different VPCs, different cloud regions, cloud to on-premise and vice versa can be used via the secure VPN connection.

## Object store connectivity

The DDVE object store feature needs connectivity to its object storage, such as to the S3 bucket. The object store communication is over https, so the outbound security group setting must allow communication over port 443. There are different ways to enable DDVE connectivity to the object store. Out of the following three we recommend only the third option (Using VPC endpoint).

- Using the public IP from the public subnet: should not be used
- Using NAT (Network Address Translation): If the private subnet is configured to use NAT, then DDVE will be able to communicate to object store over NAT.
- We strongly recommend using VPC endpoint for accessing the Amazon S3. It does not require the DDVE to have a public IP address to communicate to S3, it uses the private IP address instead. (In this case, an internet gateway, NAT, or virtual private gateway are not needed to access S3). This method also allows the traffic to the S3 endpoint to stay within the Amazon network and will be routed internally to S3.



## (i) NOTE:

- Refer to Role based access for S3 object store for configuring the DDVE to access the S3 bucket securely.
- The S3 bucket that was created for DDVE use, MUST be in the same region where DDVE is running.
- For information see Amazon AWS documentation.

# **Network infrastructure setup**

This section describes security group restrictions for AWS.

## Security groups

The security groups restrict access to an instance based on

- 1. Port
- 2. IP range
- 3. Security group (its own or another)

#### Inbound control

The security groups are stateful which means that the responses to the inbound traffic will be allowed to go out regardless of outbound rules. The following are the inbound ports that are allowed for DDVE.

**Table 13. DDVE Inbound Ports** 

Port	Service	Description
TCP 22	SSH	Used for SSH (CLI) access and for configuring DDVE.
TCP 443	HTTPS	Used for DDSM (GUI) access and for configuring DDVE.
TCP 2049	DD Boost/NFS	Main port used by NFS - can be modified using the nfs set server-port command which requires SE mode.
TCP 2051	Replication/DD Boost/ Optimized Duplication	Used only if replication is configured (run replication show config on DD system to determine). This port can be modified using replication modify.
TCP 3009	SMS (system management)	Used for managing a system remotely using DD System Manager. This port cannot be modified. This port is used only on DD systems running DD OS 4.7.x or later. This port will also need to be opened if you plan to configure

Table 13. DDVE Inbound Ports (continued)

Port	Service Description	
		replication from within the DD System Manager, as the replication partner needs to be added to the DD System Manager.

Depending on the protocol that is used to backup data to DDVE, additional ports will be allowed with inbound security group rules.

## Outbound control

As stated earlier the security groups are stateful, which means that if a request is allowed to be sent out of a DDVE, its responses will be allowed regardless of inbound rules. The following are the outbound ports that shall be allowed for DDVE.

**Table 14. DDVE Outbound Ports** 

Port	Service	Description
UDP 123	NTP	Used by the DD system to synchronize to a time server.
TCP 443	HTTPS	Used for DDVE to be able to communicate with Object store (S3).
TCP 2049	DD Boost/NFS	Main port used by NFS - can be modified using the nfs set server-port command which requires SE mode.
TCP 2051	Replication/DD Boost/ Optimized Duplication	Used only if replication is configured (run replication show config on DD system to determine). This port can be modified using replication modify.
TCP 3009	SMS (system management)	Used for managing a system remotely using DD System Manager. This port cannot be modified. This port is used only on DD systems running DD OS 4.7.x or later. This port will also need to be opened if you plan to configure replication from within the DD System Manager, as the replication partner needs to be added to the DD System Manager.

Depending on the other applications/services that are being used, additional ports shall be allowed.

# Installing and Configuring DDVE on Block Storage in the Cloud

This chapter includes the following topics:

#### Topics:

- Overview of DDVE on block storage
- Configuring DDVE on block storage with DD System Manager

# Overview of DDVE on block storage

DDVE on block storage provides enterprise customers and service providers who are running applications in the public cloud with a deduplication data protection appliance that provides object storage efficiency and ease of management.

DDVE on block storage supports:

- Backup and restore using active tier data into cloud block storage while DDVE is running in the cloud.
- DD System Manager to configure, manage, and monitor DDVE on block storage.
- DD Management Center for multisystem management of DDVE systems in the cloud on block storage.

# Configuring DDVE on block storage with DD System Manager

You can use the DD System Manager to configure DDVE as an active tier on a block storage system.

#### About this task

Use the Configuration wizard to configure the active tier and create the file system on the DDVE instance.

#### Steps

- 1. Log in as sysadmin with the password Ec2<DDVE-instance-ID>.
- 2. To configure the active tier on block storage, ensure that the Enable Object Store checkbox is cleared and click Next.
- 3. Add the block storage attached to the DDVE to the active tier.
  - i NOTE: For block storage solution, the maximum supported storage capacity is 16 TB.
- 4. Review the summary and select Submit to create the file system and enable it.
- 5. To view the space usage and availability details for the block storage, select Data Management > File System.
- 6. To configure or update the eLicense on the DDVE instance, select Licenses > Replace Licenses.
- 7. To relaunch the configuration wizard, select Maintenance > Configure System > Configure System.